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THE ONTARIO 4TH OF JULY FESTIVAL drew large crowds on Saturday, July 3. Among the popular activities was the ability to win a large array of prizes in the raffle drawing. Prizes ranged from gift certificates to large screen tvs. Helping at the raffle tent were Chris Timmer, Rick Timmer and Amy Tarbert. (See more photos on page 6).

Mansfield Art Center celebrates new addition and 50 Years with grand opening The Mansfield Art Center is inviting the well as hands on fun for the kids.

community to the long awaited grand opening of the new Ceramics and Glass Studio and Event Pavilion completed in the fall of 2020. Coinciding with the grand opening, the MAC will be celebrating the fifty year anniversary of the original build-ing, completed in 1971. The grand opening will be held on Saturday, July 10, from 10 am to 2 pm.

Activities during the grand opening will feature tours of the new studio spaces and pavilion, drawings for gift certificates and gift items. The Princesses of the Royal Princess Party will be at the art center from 10 am to noon for photos with the children. Glass blowing and wheel throwing demonstrations will be going on as

Food trucks will be available; Deja Food and the Fry Guys. The new Digital Resource Lab complete with 3-D printers will be up and running and guests will be invited to see students working in our new stained glass studio. Grand opening sponsors are J&B Acoustical, Carter Électric, DRM and Shakley Mechanical.

MAC is located at 700 Marion Ave., Mansfield. Current exhibitions, which are free and open to the public, are "Authentic Surfaces," "Shush" by Kimberly Chapman and "Unmasked" by E.D. Jasbeck. Hours of operation are Tuesday-Friday 11 am to 5 pm, Saturday 10 am to 4 pm and Sunday 11 am to 4 pm. Visit mansfieldartcenter.org for information.

Madison Board of Education approves employments, curriculum purchases

The Madison Board of Education met Wednesday, June 30 in the Madison Middle School Auditeria.

Tim Wigton, board president, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reports were given for legislative, the athletic board of control, the student representative's comments, facilities, board policy, student achievement and the superintendent's update.

A technology presentation was given by Steve Barr.

A donation of \$697.68 was accepted from Mifflin PTO to Mifflin Elementary to be used towards the school's end of year award ceremonies and field day.

The treasurer's report and financial report were given by Robin Klenk. The board approved the appropriation

modifications and granted Klenk to have the authority to set aside 50 percent of the FY2021 Final Expenditures as FY2022 Temporary Appropriations. These appropriations are approved at the fund level.

Resignations were accepted from Adam Pees, high school math teacher; Nick Melton, ninth grade boys' basketball coach; Richelle Swineford, middle school music/choir teacher; Kathleen Laser, Madison South fourth grade teacher; Ron Foster, middle school ELA teacher; Jolene Edwards, middle school intervention specialist, seventh grade volleyball coach and middle school 7/8 special ed coordinator; Todd Cortelletti, boys' tennis coach, all effective in June 2021.

The board granted employment to Chloe McKee, intervention specialist, middle school; Naomi Adinkrah, art teacher, Madison South; Owen Zeiter, seventh grade science, middle school; Nikki Mosiychuk, CT Culinary Arts, high school; Mikela Chapman, Intervention Specialist CC/ED, middle school; Tieler Crouse, 7 & 8 English/Language Arts, middle school, all pending proper/applicable certification, paperwork and BCI/FBI checks.

Kalen Oslie has been awarded the science position at the high school, effective with the 2021-'22 school year.

Jodi Wachter-Newberry was hired for summer school on an as needed basis. Supplemental positions were awarded

to Nick Melton, assistant varsity boys' basketball coach; Bruce Gibson, head ninth grade boys' basketball coach; Dave Kaple, assistant varsity football coach; and Stacey Wampler, high school Key Club advisor.

Spring 2021 supplemental contracts held by non-MLEA members were not renewed for Wayne Camp, assistant 7/8 track coach; Andrea Gerich ; 1/2 assistant varsity softball coach; William Harper; 1/2 assistant varsity softball coach; and Nate Taylor, head varsity baseball coach.

An extra 1/8 day was approved for the 2021-'22 school year for Tom Brandt, Laurie Dean, Scott Hamilton, Jim Thompson, Stacey Wampler, Andrew Wigton, Melissa Brandt and Don Maxey, all high school employees.

The board approved extended time for the 2021-'22 school year for Tom Brandt, 8 days, CT Automotive Technology; Laura Coey, 1 day, CT Family & Consumer Science; Jenifer Culler, 8 days, Speech & Hearing; Laurie Dean, 4 days, CT Cosmetology; Monique Eberst, 12 days, middle school counselor;

William Fowles, 20 days, high school band; Michelle Frederick, 16 days, high bahd; Michelle Frederick, 16 days, high school and middle school media center; Adolph Hathaway, 7 days, high school C.B.I.; Victoria Kasberg, 8 days, high school Work & Family; Mike Leeper, 16 days, high school C.B.I. 12; Jessica McGrew, 12 days, high school counselor; Timothy Ritchey, 12 days, high school counselor; Jim Thompson, 4 days, CT Precision Machining; Stacey Wampler, 16 days, CT Health Occupation; Andrew Wigton, 8 days, CT Carpentry; Mikaela Ziegler, 4 days, MS Healthy Lifestyles; and Nikki Mosiychuk, 5 days, CT Culinary Arts.

Disciplinary action was taken for Scott Hamilton, CT electrical maintenance teacher. A three day suspension as dock days and required professional development attendance focused on classroom management and educator professionalism will be required.

Hired as summer school bus drivers, effective June 1, were Jenny Jones, Darla Noblet, Todd Newberry, Ron Markley and Carol Brown. Shirley Fanello and Lois (Continued on Page 2)





THE GRAND VICTORIAN HOME on the Lexington square was built by George Frye.

The Queen on the Square

By Bob Carter

If one passed through the Lexington town square in the 1890s through 1950s, they couldn't help but notice the beautiful grand lady smiling at them on the northwest corner of the town square. She was the queen of Lexington as she stood out with architectural style that was unlike any other home in the village. Her huge wrap around porch and second floor balcony really caught one's attention. In her era she was a thing of beauty. Many social gatherings were held there.

Where did she come from? The beautiful home was built in 1891, according to oldtimers. It was commonly believed she was the town's first ready-cut Sears and Roebuck catalog house. But the popular catalog and retail company did not start selling ready-cut home kits until 1908–'42. The houses were shipped by rail car and contained pre-cut lumber and everything needed included interior finishes, plaster and roofing materials. Each came with instructions and blueprints for the builder. All that was needed was someone to assemble it.

A 1915 Roebuck one-story bungalow called "Ohio" could be purchased for \$795. A large two-story with nine rooms

was a mere \$1,595. With today's wild housing market and prices there may be others dreaming that 1915 might come around again.

The Victorian style "Queen" of Lexington was built by George V. Frye, who owned the Frye's Famous Caramel Candy Factory. He had grown up in Lexington while his father was minister at the congregational church and was one of the town's leading citizens. The firm employed many women and men. It was largely responsible for making the town population grow 46 percent from 1900 to 1910. This caused new houses to be built and several of those appear to match homes in the Sears Roebuck catalog, but proof is lacking.

After the factory closed and Frye left town, the old girl was later divided into apartments. She started to show her age after World War II and was town down in the 1960s to make a parking lot for First National Bank. Now the bank is almost gone too.





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Liam Neeson stars in the Netflix movie *The Ice Road.* As truck driver, Mike McCann, Neeson gives a good performance

as a man in a race with other truckers to get three wellheads to a mine that has collapsed as there are several miners still trapped inside. Everything is not as it seems though as the truckers may not be who they say they are.

There is nothing really special or unique about The Ice Road. It's a pretty run of the mill action movie but interesting enough to say it's watchable. Laurence Fishburne is fine in a supporting role as is a young truck driver named Tantoo played by Amber Midthunder.

Neeson seems to have found a new career as an action star after Taken. He has starred in several action/adventure films. Neeson is a fine actor and it would be nice to see him in something more serious again, he was Oscar nominated for playing Oskar Schindler in *Schindler's List* after all.

The special effects are nothing to write home about but this movie knows what it is and it doesn't try to be something it's not so definitely it gets



credit for that. Neeson and the characters make this movie better than its script. They are all pretty likeable as the movie keeps moving and events keep happening preventing Neeson and the other truck

destination. Overall, *The Ice Road* is fine enough and enjoyable for what it is. Just don't go in expecting a really great action film. The plot is very predictable, the acting decent

drivers from reaching their

and action scenes are what they are. Overall, this is a decent action movie. Look for The Entertainment Examiner's



•Madison Board of Education approves employments, curriculum purchases

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Brammer were hired as summer school bus aides, also effective June 1. Brenda Downs and Susan Jolley were hired as summer school special education aides, effective June 1.

Shane Klenk was hired as a substitute summer mower and Robert Bradley has been awarded the first shift custodian position at the middle school, replacing Joseph Marfia.

Wendy Carter was granted a limited second one-year contract.

The board approved the renovation of the Family Consumer Science Lab by the Adena Corporation in the amount of \$37,914 to be paid for out of Career Tech weighted funds.

A contract for police services between the Richland County Sheriff's Office and Madison Local Schools for the 2021–'22 school year was approved as was the Service Agreement between Mid-Ohio Education Service Center and Madison Local Schools for the coming school year.

The board will seek competitive bids for the Cosmetology Theory Room renovation project. Upon approval, the project will be paid for out of Adult Career Center Cares Act funds.

The purchase of 6-year science (grade 7) student digital licenses from Savvas Learning Company LLC in the amount of \$16,879.38 will be paid with ESSER III funds.

The purchase of K-4 Fountas and Pinnell shared reads and book clubs from Heinemann for Eastview, Mifflin and Madison South in the amount of \$110,016.84 will be paid with ESSER III funds.

The purchase of Reading (K-2) student digital licenses from Learning A-Z for Eastview, Mifflin and Madison South in the amount of \$29,124 and the purchase of 6-year ELA (grades 7–12) student digital licenses from Savvas Learning Company LLC in the amount of \$162,241.88 will be paid with ESSER III funds.

Math (grades 6–8) student digital licenses from Cengage Learning in the amount of \$35,253.75 will also be paid with ESSER III funds.

Additional course licenses will be purchased for Madison Online Academy from Edmentum in the amount of \$15,375.00 and paid for with ESSER III funds.

The purchase of Read 180 3-year student digital licenses from Houghton Mifflin Harcourt in the amount of \$132,761.29 will be paid with ESSER III funds.

First readings were approved for blended learning and second readings were approved for Care of Students with Diabetes, Use of District Premises and Wellness.

The Board of Education approved the hiring of Robin Klenk as treasurer for a period of one year from 2021 through 2022.

Susan Brafford was hired as the art teacher at Eastview/Mifflin. Chance Robinette was awarded the Grade 9–12 math teacher position at the high school, replacing Adam Pees who resigned.

The next regular board of education meeting will be held July 21, in the Madison Middle School Auditeria.

News Briefs

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd., (corner of Trimble and Millsboro) will host a rummage sale on Friday, July 16 9 am to 4 pm and Saturday, July 17, 9 am to noon.

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

The next Mansfield Area Community Hymnsing will be held Friday, July 9.

The gathering will be held at 7 pm at New Liberty Baptist Church, Lexington Ave., Lexington, 1/2 mile south of Hanley Rd. This is a community singalong hymnsing where the crowd calls out the numbers and all join in singing together.

There will be refreshments afterward so those attending are encouraged to bring something to share. Everyone is welcome.

A work session for the Madison Board of Education has been scheduled for Thursday, July 22, beginning at 9 am at Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center, 890 W. Fourth St., Mansfield. The meeting is for strategic planning. No action will be taken at this session.

Work dates and times have been scheduled at Liberty Park Garden in Mansfield. They are July 8, 10, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26 and 31, from 6–8 pm.

Under the direction of the Rev. Stanley Wertz, the garden helps meet the needs for fresh produce through the east side's own Catholic Charities Food Pantry.

For more information contact Wertz at 419-378-2503 or 419-892-3539.

Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East, Madison Township, will host a Summer Grill Dinner on Friday, July 9, from 4:30–6 pm in the fellowship hall.

The menu will include hotdogs and hamburgers from the grill, chips, desserts and beverages. Drive-thru ordering will also be available. Cost of the dinner is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church. For more information call 419-589-5385.

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

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

Grandstand events scheduled during Richland County Fair

The Richland County Fair will open Aug. 8–14 with a full schedule of events and entertainement.

The fair will officially open Sunday, Aug. 8, with \$1 gate admission and harness racing at 5:30 pm at the grandstands at no extra charge. There are no rides on Sunday; rides open at 6 pm Monday.

Harness racing will continue at 5:30 pm on Monday.

Wednesday is Kids Day and features special ride prices from noon to 4 pm and special events and entertainment including a petting zoo.

On Wednesday, the rodeo is at 7 pm. Grandstand admission is \$5.

The OSTPA and county tractor pull is scheduled for Thursday at 7 pm. Admission is \$10 for the grandstand, \$20 for the pit and \$20 for the back gate.

Thursday is also Armed Forces Day from 8 am to closing. Fair gate admission is free with ID to all veterans and active duty

On Friday, Aug. 13, Jessica Hannan will open at 6:30 pm before Nashville Crush takes the stage at 8 pm. Tickets are \$10 for track seating. Visit the www.richlandcountyfair.com for tickets.

The demolition derby will be held at 5 pm. Tickets are \$10 for grandstand and \$15 for pit.

Throughout the week, general gate admission is \$5 daily and admission for children 48" and under is free.

Membership tickets (seven admissions) are \$25 and a season ticket (seven admissions) is also \$25.

For a full schedule visit richlandcountyfair.com.

Visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy a picnic as they enjoy the music.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield, will hold "Mystery Island" Vacation Bible School on July 25, July 27 and July 29 from 6-8:30 pm, each night. Registration for kindergarten through 12th grade will be accepted on a firstcome, first-serve basis. Pre-registration is available at https.//trinity-mansfield.myanswers.com/mystery-island2.

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

Registration begins at 8:30 am with a 9:30 am shotgun start. The event will feature special guest Senate President Matt Huffman. Cost is \$200 for an individual golfer, and \$475 for a foursome. Event sponsorship is available at \$2,500 which includes signage, lunch, tee sponsor and foursome; \$1,500 for signage at registration and foursome; \$575 for foursome and tee sponsor; and \$250 tee sponsor.

For information or to register contact Amy Kerschner at 614-595-2646 or email amykerschner@outlook.com by July 9.

Paradise Church, 87 N. Illinois Ave., Madison area, will offer Bible stories, crafts, games, skits, snacks and prizes for children age 2 to grade 12.

The Bible school will be held Aug. 9-13, from 6:30-8:30 pm. Registration will be held July 31 and Aug. 7 from 9-11 am at the church.

For more information visit myparadisechurch.com, Paradise Church on Facebook or call Angie Benedict at 419-512-8377.

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

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

Find out the qualifications for Ohio's homebound vaccine program by calling 567-247-6503. Calls are answered and returned Monday-Friday, 9 am to 5 pm.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Ontario, serves a drive-thru

breakfast on the second Saturday of the month from 9-10:30 am.

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

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

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will host speaker Dr. Walter Kania on Sunday, July 11, at 10:30 am, who will speak on "The Jesus Mystery."

Some people may have concerns about Jesus; some may even have rejected traditional Christianity because of the problems they have had with the person of Jesus and the promotion of false teachings about Jesus. However, there are commonalities between the beliefs in regard to the teachings of each spiritual path.

For more information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

The Richland County Republican Party will host a First Monday Luncheon Monday, July 12, from 11...45 am to 1 pm at The Kobacker Room, DLX Events and Catering, 28 N. Main St., downtown Mansfield.

The guest speaker will be Josh Mandel and the lunch will return to a buffet style. RSVP to 419-528-8223 or rcohgop@gmail.com. Lunch is \$10.

Little Washington Congregational Church is hosting its 16th annual "Cruise-In" on Saturday, Aug. 14, from 4–7 pm.

Home-cooked food will be served along with ice cream and pie.

Cruise-In participants enjoy sharing information about their restored cars, motorcycles and farm equipment. To register call Gary Stone at 419-774-2714 or just stop in on Saturday, Aug. 14 and register. Please arrive by 3 pm.

For information call Ronda Stone at 419-774-2714 or the chutrch at 419-756-9292. The church is located at the corner of Washington South and East Hanley Roads.

We have strong, independent roots here. (And a few branches, of course.)





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Lexington convenes public meetings to gain community input towards plan update

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With assistance from Poggemeyer Design Group, the Village of Lexington is in the process of updating its 1996 Comprehensive Plan to guide future de-

velopment. To gain public input, two informational meetings were recently held — one on June 28 and the other LEXING on June 29 — in the Lexington High School 2035 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN cafeteria and a total of

about 75 people attended both events. At the beginning of each meeting, an overview of the planning process was presented, and seven stations were set up, one for each of seven topic areas: Downtown; Economic Development; Housing; Land Use; Parks and Recreation; Public Facilities and Transportation. People had the opportunity to stop at the stations of interest to them, review the preliminary recommendations and vote on their top three preferences. These preliminary recommendations came from the community survey that was undertaken from Jan. 29 through Feb. 19 and from interviews of key community stakeholders held on June 10-11.

Overseeing the plan update, is a twelve-member Planning Steering Committee appointed by Mayor Brian White.

The committee is cochaired by Todd Wise

and Bob Matney.

Much of the information and planning material can be accessed via the project website leveragelexingon.org.

The final plan is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

For more information contact Todd Wise, co-chair Planning Steering Committee at 419-512-4527; Bob Matney, co-chair Planning Steering Committee at 419-412-8533 or Brian White, mayor of Lexington, at 419-884-0765

Shelby Bicycle Days returns July 9 and 10 The Shelby 2021 Bicycle Days will be The Kids' Safety Spot where kids can

held Friday and Saturday, July 9 and 10 in Shelby. The midway opens Friday at 11 am with food trucks and non-food vendors.

On Friday at 5:30 pm, Shelby historian, Chris Drain, will share the history of the Shelby Cycle Co. and its impact on the community: "Shelby's Forgotten Factory: The Chicago Handlebar Company." This will be held in the Black Fork Commons Amphitheater.

explore a variety of safety service vehicles will open Friday at 6 pm at W.W. Skiles Field Parking Lot. A bike-in movie will play at Black Fork Commons, W.W. Skiles Field, at dark.

Saturday's events will include a farmer's market, bike ride loops, a kids bike clinic, a bike decorating contest and the parade at 2 pm.

For information visit https://www.shelbycic.com/bikedays.

Ontario School Board hosts special meeting

The Ontario Local Schools Board of Education held a special meeting Tuesday, June 29 and approved a CRA and PILOT Agreement with Charter Nex US

The board entered into an Executive Session for the purpose of considering the

employment of a public employee or official. No action was taken.

The next regular board of education meeting will be held on Monday, July 12, at 7 pm in the Ontario High School Library.

Church Directory

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

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

Reverend James Randas 10:30 am Sunday Worship

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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First Federal Bank of Ohio

Ontario United Methodist Church

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

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

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church

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

G & M Body & Paint Shop 1689 West Fourth St., Ontario 419-529-2747

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

Hillside First Church of God

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

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

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

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Two-year state operating budget passed by General Assembly, moves on to governor State Rep. Marilyn John (R-Richland across the board personal income tax cut. and funding for the Ohio Cyber Reserve. Another pertinent issue John fought for

County) and the General Assembly passed House Bill 110, known as the two-year state operating budget for Fiscal Years 2022–'23. The legislation highlights include a new school funding reform plan, tax relief, jobs and economic support, and several other initiatives.

"It's crucial we provide targeted investments in essential public services to support Ohio jobs, businesses, and our economy," said John. "This is a thoughtful, balanced budget that will help get Ohio back on track.

Among the highlights in a robust edu-cation reform package is the Fair School Funding Plan, which is the result of more than three years of work by educators and policymakers. This historic collaboration has produced a comprehensive funding formula that is rational, predictable and sustainable.

The bill also includes a three percent

Heydingers celebrate 50th anniversary

Marvin and Carolyn Heydinger will soon be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Marvin and the former Carolyn (Rice) (Arter) were married July 17, 1971 at the United Church of Christ in Crestline.

The Heydinger children will be welcoming guests at an open house at the United Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 511 Heiser Court, Crestline on Saturday, July 17 from 2 to 4 pm.

The Heydinger children are Cindy (Ted) Lorey, Diana (Les) Lambert, Park (Sheri) Arter, Trudee (Phil) Billow, Jim (Jane) Heydinger, Denny (Joan) Heydinger, Nancy (Roger Howell) and Jane Goodall. They have eleven grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. It is requested that gifts be omitted.

The tax reform plan reduces the number of tax brackets from five to four, and eliminates the income tax for anyone making less than \$25,000 per year. Overall, these and other tax changes in the budget reduce taxes \$2 billion over the biennium.

Additionally, the budget bill includes targeted investments to support Ohio jobs, businesses and the economy. This portion of the bill focuses on expanding procurement law to give preference to American and Ohio products. The legislation also focuses on workforce development through a committee to study workforce training and several programs to support employment opportunities.

House Bill 110 also includes a series of provisions in support of law enforcement, firefighters and public safety. Some of the initiatives include security grants, school safety grants, body cameras, law enforcement training investment, firefighter grants,

Marvin and Carolyn Heydinger

Agriculture workshop slated for July 13

Learn more about using manure and other nutrients on agriculture fields at the Manure & You and HZOhio, Too! Workshop on Tuesday, July 13, from 9 am to 4 pm at the Richland County Longview Center,

1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield. The workshop cost is \$10 per person and includes a pizza lunch. Register by Tuesday, July 6 by visiting https://rich-landswcd.net/ or calling 419-747-8686.

Topics will cover:

•Soil and manure testing and how to calculate the correct amount of nutrient to apply to fields

•The NRCS-590 Standard and You. Review NRCS-590 Standard plus proper manure application and temporary storage of manure

•Cover Crops

•NRCS engineering criteria for waste storage facilities

•Planning for extreme weather

•Installation and benefits of filter beds, grassed waterways and buffer strips

•Certified Crop Adviser & Certified

Livestock Manager Continuing Ed Credits (pending)

The speakers are Terry Mescher and Justin McBride, Ohio Department of Agriculture; Matt Wallace, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District, Jason Ruhl and Nick Lee, United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service, Cody Beacom, Bird Agronomics and Aaron Wilson, The Ohio State University.

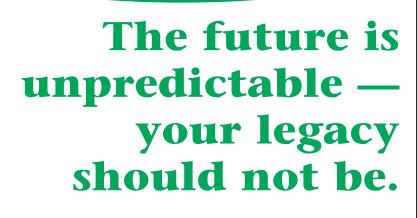
For special needs or accommodations call 419-747-8691 ext. 7120 or 3 by July 6, 2021.

The workshop is sponsored by Richland, Ashland, Crawford, and Huron Soil and Water Conservation Districts, the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) - Ashland and Richland Counties, Ohio Farm Bureau - Crawford and Richland Counties, and East of Chicago Pizza -Shelby and Galion are sponsoring the workshop. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender.

The budget makes an historic commitment to expanding broadband in Ohio by committing \$250 million to support grants under the Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Grant Program and the Ohio Broadband Expansion Program Authority. The plan, which previously passed the House in House Bill 2, targets the problem of last mile connectivity to households where it remains cost-prohibitive for private providers to otherwise extend their service.

Another pertinent issue John fought for was to significantly change provisions within the budget that originally would have forced consolidation or shutdown of local health departments, including Shelby City Health Department within the 2nd House District. John worked diligently behind the scenes and with other members to ensure these provisions were diminished within the final budget bill.

The budget plan, House Bill 110, now heads to Governor DeWine for further action.



Together, with your advisors, we can map out your charitable giving options and determine which gifts work best for you.

If you would like to discuss a planned gift to the Richland County Foundation, please contact Brady Groves, President.

419-525-3020 richlandcountyfoundation.org



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The 179th Airlift Honor Guard led the Ontario 4th of July Parade on Saturday, July 3.



Kim Blevins and Harold Wiley help to staff the grill at the Ontario Lions food trailer.



Charlie Orewiler enjoys some time on the inflatable slides.



Morgan Turnbaugh competes in the Frog Jumping Contest.



Leah Huvler has fun on the wrecking ball inflatable.





Providing services during the festival were members of the Ontario Police Department including Officer Chey Dehart, Officer Allie Shepard, Det. John Sigler, Chief Tommy Hill, Sgt. Jeromie Barnhart and Aux. Gordon Cantley.





Helping at the Richland Newhope booth were O'Dessa Guzman, Troy Jeff Wilson served as the Grand Marshal of the parade. Smith, Tiffany Smith, Meredith Smith, Sherry and Stepheny Minnig



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Jaxon Walker was treated to cotton candy at the festival.



Cinderella State Winner Breckelle Miller.











April Friend gives Darren a treat at the Richland County Dog Adoption table.



Isabella Baum receives an ID bracelet from Ontario Police Department Aux. Officer Gordan Chantly. With Isabella is her mom Michelle.



Karsyn Milks takes a pony ride with the help of his dad Nick.



Winners of the Ontario Youth Sports Land Regatta race held on Friday, July 2, in Marshall Park were Josh, Ezra and Krystal Sallee

Reading program coming to parks

Richland County Children Services (RCCS), the City of Mansfield Parks and Recreation and United Way of Richland County are helping youths become future leaders through the "Being A Reader Makes You A Leader" reading program.

The program is part of the Community Nature Day Camp that runs until August 6th at Johns Park and North Lake Park from 9–3 pm for ages 5–12 years old.

Community leaders were invited to come and read a book to the youths participating in the camp and talk about their careers. The program kicked-off on Tuesday, July 6. Community leaders will read from 1–2 pm on the scheduled dates listed.

The goal of the program is to inspire youths to read, and help build their reading skills. Most importantly the youths have an opportunity to meet our community leaders our local heroes and learn how they became leaders.

July 6: Johns Park, Alomar Davenport (Mansfield City Council 4th Ward) and North Lake Park, Cheryl Meier (Mansfield City Council 2nd Ward)

July 13: Johns Park, Mycheala Holley (Senator Sherrod Brown's office Regional Representative) (1–2 pm) and North Lake Park from 2–3 pm

July 15: Johns Park, Mayor Tim Theaker (Mansfield Mayor) and North Lake Park, Dr. Norman Jones

July 20: Johns Park, Jodie Perry, President & CEO, Richland Area Chamber of Commerce) and North Lake Park, Annabelle Coffman (NAMI Richland County)

July 22: Johns Park, Crystal Weese (Recruitment Coordinator, NECIC) and North Lake Park, Gary Bishop (Richland County Prosecutor)

July 26: Johns Park, Duana Patton (CEO, Area Agency on Aging) and Susie Danuloff (Area Agency on Aging) July 27: Johns Park - Winston Greene (District Test

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Aug. 3: Johns Park, Reed Richmond (Health Education and Communications Specialist, Richland Public Health) and North Lake Park, Chief Steve Strickling (Mansfield Fire Department)

Aug. 5: Johns Park, Brenda Nelson (Development Director, Kingwood Center) and North Lake Park, Dr. Donna Hight

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THE ONTARIO RECREATION DEPARTMENT held a new lifeguarding class in June. Ontario students who are now certified lifeguards are front, Hunter Petit and Greg Tan; and back, Shelby Keever, Jayden Dechert, Allison Potter, Riley Them, Macy Mangan and Paige Danuloff.

Summer concert series returns to Kingwood

Kingwood Center Gardens is announcing the return of its annual summer concert series, Live on the Lawn. Live on the Lawn features free concerts on select Thursday evenings in July from 7–9 pm.

The concert line-up is: July 8, Tom's Kitchen Table; July 15, Oolong Gurus; July 22, Crazy Gringos; and July 29, Paul Martin's Jazz Quintet.

Free admission will begin at 6 pm at the new Garden Gateway visitor center with the concerts beginning around 7 pm at new location —the Quad near the duck pond. Visitors should bring their own lawn chair or blanket. Seating will not be provided. Buehler's Food Truck, Ferris, and their Snacks & Sips will offer a variety of food and beverage options available for purchase.

Visitors attending Live on the Lawn should park in the Trimble Road parking lot at the Garden Gateway visitor center.

Kingwood is grateful to Modern Woodman of America for being this year's presenting sponsor and media sponsor, North Central Ohio Media group.

As a reminder, you must be 21 or older to consume alcohol and all alcohol must be purchased and consumed on the grounds. For information, including inclement weather location visit www.KingwoodCenter.org.



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EAA Chapter #148 announces 2021 Ray Aviation Scholarship recipient

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 148 of Galion in association with the Mansfield Aviation Club (MAC are pleased to announce that Allyson Gatchall of Mansfield has been selected and approved to receive the 2021 EAA Ray Aviation Scholarship in the amount of \$10,000 to pursue her dream of becoming a pilot.

Last summer, at 16 years of age, Gatchall began flying in pursuit of her dream to become an Air Force fighter pilot. "I'm extremely humbled and honored to be awarded the Ray Aviation Scholarship to help me reach my dreams," said Gatchall. "I fell in love with flying and have met so many amazing people already. I can't wait to get my private pilot's license, and keep going to get my instrument rating, serve my country, and one day earn a commercial pilot's license."

Gatchall is a senior at Wooster High School and a straight-A student in the Tri-County International Academy's renowned International Baccalaureate Program. She is also a member of the Wooster High School National Honor Society, Soccer, and Track Teams.

The Ray Aviation Scholars program provides up to \$10,000 scholarships to young people who are seeking to become a pilot. The Ray Foundation has provided \$1 million to fund the scholarship program to improve the flight training success rate from the current industry standards of 20 percent to 80 percent for program participants. Local EAA chapters are responsible for identifying youth for the Ray Aviation Scholarship program and mentoring them through flight training.

For more information on EAA Local 148, visit chapters.eaa.org/eaa148.



Romanchuk encourages new small business to apply for relief grant

State Senator Mark Romanchuk (R-Ontario) encouraged eligible small businesses to apply for grants available through the New Small Business Grant. Small businesses that were established between Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2020 may be eligible for a grant of \$10,000.

"Those who started small businesses over the last year were faced with the incredibly difficult task of operating during a pandemic in addition to the challenges that all new small businesses are faced with," Romanchuk said. "It is my hope that new business owners will take advantage of these relief dollars to create jobs, grow their market and help ease the burden the last year has been on them."

Businesses can submit an application at BusinessHelp.ohio.gov. Each business that meets the criteria and submits a complete application will be eligible for a grant in the amount of \$10,000. Grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Businesses that have previously received the Small Business Grant are not eligible.

For more information visit businesshelp.ohio.gov or email newbusinessgrant@development.ohio.gov.

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Ontario Rec to host wood décor class

The City of Ontario Recreation Department is offering a wood décor class on Saturday, July 10, from 2– 4 pm at the City of Ontario Community Room, 555 Stumbo Rd.

Cost is \$35 per person. Participants will make home décor signs like the examples pictured. Those interested in participating in the class should register at https://ontarioohio.org/recreation-department/ by July 9, 2021.



Photos by Sue Hoffer

Springfield Township continues fire hydrant flushing

The Springfield Township Fire Department, in cooperation with the Ontario Water Department, continues flushing fire hydrants. Annual hydrant flushing is critical to ensure the continued reliability of the city's hydrants.

The flushing will normally be done Monday–Friday between the hours of 8 am and 3:30 pm. Some discoloration of water may occur. This is due to sediments and particulates in the water remains that are riled during flushing.

Residents are strongly advised not to do laundry during these hours as this could lead to discoloration of clothing. However, the water is safe for drinking. The water department has special detergent available to remove rust stains from clothing if they are inadvertently soiled. Residents are asked not to plant shrubs or trees within five feet of a fire hydrant as this can make it extremely difficult for firefighters to locate or operate. Residents with hydrants that are obscured will be asked to trim or remove foliage. For more information call 419-529-3815.

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

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

Week of July 19, Beer Rd., Yeager Dr., Fulwell Dr., W. Fergsuon Rd. and Stumbo Rd. (all)

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

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

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

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

Week of Aug. 23, Home Rd. (all) and Spring Village Allotment (all)

Week of Aug. 30, make up or repair any outstanding, Nussbaum Pkwy., Friday Ln., Oxford St., Brookside Dr., Willodell Dr., Warren, Westland N. Ireland Blvd. and N. Sunset Blvd.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Honor and Merit Rolls **Ontario High** Renchen, Logan Rhodebeck, **School**

Fourth grading period

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Seniors – Shelby Baker, Olivia Bise, Alexa Blakley, Ryan Brophy, Kelsey Carder, Lilly Casey, Vincent Chen, Joseph Cinadr, Halle Ciroli, Sabrinna Crabtree, Paige Deal, Ethan Duffner, Amy Evans, Corinne Fanello, Dylan Fraley, Colton Geer, Ethan Glenwright, Tyler Gould, Makenzi Hanner, Rebekah Haud-enschild, Claire Henige, Avery Hooks, Jace Howell, Gavin Hull, Jocelyn Hunter, Brie Hurrell, Brianna Jilek, Adilynn Kissinger, Varle Vlautech Laka Versta Kayla Klautsch, Jake Kmetz, Kolten Kurtz, Allena Lemaster, Katrina Lewis, Natalie Link, Sunshine Liu, Alexie Lorenz, Colin Mabee, Tatiana McFarland, Brynn Meisse, Bree Mills, Makayla Minard, Jonathan Nagel, Nolan Payne, Abi Perez, Alex Phillips, Randy Rickel, Emma Shaffer, Brayden Shaver, Mckenna Stoffer, Brennan Strickler, Isaac Swogger, Gregory Tan, Rylee Utz, Owen Vick, Maddi Wilderson and Irene Zhang

Juniors — Ian Barnes, Meredith Bise, Brooklyn Blaising, Gracen Boor, Jordon Bulakovski, Giana Camarata, Teyron Cantey, Haley Carpenter, Kenichi Chang, Ryan Chapman, Rachell Clark, Paige Danuloff, Priya Das, Dane Ervin, Samantha Fraley, Mckenna Gorbett, Shelby Keever, Jaslyn Ly, Ellie Maurer, Destiny Moton, Rylee Nigh, Nathaniel Reid, Audrey Saltzgiver, Braxton Scott, Maddie Seibel, Courtney Smith, Evan Trumpower, Riley Vavra, Bryden Wolfe and Shelby Zimmerman

Sophomores — Omar Abdelaziz, Jillian Sophomores — Omar Abdelaziz, Jillian Ambrose, Isabel Baker, Elizabeth Corn, Jayden Dechert, Kristina Heins, Duncan McLean, Kylee Mullins, Lizzie Nagel, Brody Phillips, Natalie Reid, Hadley Schultz, Eli Selser, Lauren Sexton, Alexis Shaver, Audrey Spearman, Chandler Spognardi, Alex Switaj, Brienne Trumpower, Ellie Wilging and Prina Young

Freshmen — Carson Barnes, Abby Bechstein, Grason Bias, Carson Bricker, Diondre Cantey, Charlie Danuloff, Autumn Ervin, Quinton Frankhouse, Michael Howard, Savannah Jackson, Trista Jewell, Olivia Kreger, Jocelyn Lehew, Jaslyn Lopez, Jena Ly, Joshua Mazzocco, Najee Morris, Kavya Patel, Grayson Purvis, David Reedy, Brayden Robinson, Grady Schroeder, Ella Shaffer, Jonah So, Sarah Strickler, Chase Studer, Carter Weaver, Canaan Wentz and Brady Zehe

HONOR ROLL

Seniors — Caden Armstrong, Bostn Baxter, Amandah Beck, Taylor Berry, Robey Bolen, Allaura Carpenter, Averi Copeland, Morgan Eckert, James Fanello, Allison Fischer, Rylee Frietchen, Elsa Furlong, Hunter Gray, Haley Guisinger, Spencer Hall, Magnus Hartz, Michael Heins, Kylie Hendrix, Alexis Johnson, Carter Kroll, Claire Mies, Spencer Milliron, Carleigh Pearson, Dan Sapp, Parker Schroeder, Quentin Skropits, Ethan Snyder, Jericka Stephens, Carter Underwood, Leandra Viscioni, Cori Wentz and Zoe Yochem

Juniors — Alexus Barry, Emily Cacchio, Kaylee Calhoun, Nathaniel Cogar, Tylor Danals, Faith Dickerson, Emma Drexel, Brooke Hagerman, Macie Hamilton, Jansen Hildreth, Gage Johnson, Trevor Maglott, Macy Manigan, Nuhami Miller, Amanda Phillips, Ava Ruhe, Cooper Schroeder, Xander Seffens, Nathan Slater, Liliana Snyder, Alyssa Taylor, Gabrielle Wagoner, Brooklynn Wharton and Tiffany Whittaker

Sophomores — Leah Blay, Joslynne Frazier, Easton Frost, Marisa Horton, Kayen Huvler, Colin Kmetz, Kayla Kurtz, Keely Kurtz, Noah Marsh, Grace McClenathan, Tommy Mont-gomery, Hunter Petit, Faith Price, Adam

William Saltzgiver, Kylie Snow, Andrew Stephens, Adi Turnbaugh, Grace Voelp, Irelynne Vuillemot and Brooklyn Ward

Freshmen — Jastyn Allen, De'Shawna Brooks, Emily Burton, Taylor Counts, Hailey Crabtree, Makayla Dickson, Paige Dunkle, Alex Ellis, Jazmine Ellis, Ezri Farley, Jim Fetzer, Rachel Foss, Grayson Ginn, Ethan Grider, Natalie Kline, Elizabeth Lacroix, Mackenzie Large, Maggie Love, Meagan Meadows, Ari Morales Mora, Addie Muncy, Nishthaa Patel, Giselle Riedel, Brooklyn Rowe, Mia Strong, Brooklyn Swain, Gracie Thurber, Jeremiah Viscioni, Brooklyn Weinandy and Dage Young

MERIT ROLL

Seniors — Evan Booker, Ashton Crider, Alexis Cushing, Seth Dailey, Isaac David, Braden Dorsey, Kennadi Easter, Maria Gallo, Izzy Graaf, Owen Hatfield, Erin Holzmiller, Hayden Hoover, Max Jewell, Lexi Johnson, Aleigha Lambert, Zach McCristall, Jared Meadows, Hazee Pitts, Abby Potter, Ariah Reuer, Griffin Shaver, Bailey Slater, Lauren Sloboda, Brooklyn Stamper, Abi Stewart, Katryna Thomas, Calaya Walsh, Broc Wilson and Jasmine Woods

Juniors — William Bolin, Bri Carbary, Alejandro Carrizal Ramos, Kailyn Collins, Brandon Daily, Jasmyne Decimus, Aiden Frankhouse, Persephone Fry, Madison Genders, Kendal Goulding, Bailey Graaf, Lukas Hopton, Mason Jacobs, Nathaniel Judson, Chas Mies, Tyler Milligan, Alex Morehead, Chance Mullins, Alexander Rathburn, Elizabeth Roley, Riley Them, Ethan Turnbaugh, Kyle Walters, Dillan Whisler, Mendy Ye and Josh Young

Sophomores — Brooklyn Adkins, Hayden Baker, Drew Barnes, Alex Bayes, Caden Boebel, Delanie Cecil, Justin Douglas, Hugo Estrada Gomez, Lily Fetzer, Destini Gottfried, Jayla Hall, Madaline Henderson, Nolan Hoffner, Adrienne Kearns, Scott Kern, Treyven King, Brandon Litteral, J'lee Long, Riley Mabry, Robbee Mangan, Jeff Meadows, Colin Milligan, Abby Mink, Nick Moore, Taylor Mullins, Austin Ocampo, Colten Ramion, Jordan Reed, John Rose, Tanner Stevens, James Stewart, Cali Walsh and Dylan Wiese Freshmen — Caleb Barabani, Shemar Caldwell, Grayson Casey, Jake Chapman, Jaylen Curry, Ava Dean, Anzaya Estep, Kate Fetzer, Dylan Floyd, Taylor Gaston, Megan Goldbach, Niya Likely, Jimmie Likely, Cael McFarland, Jacob Ohl, Jace Paone, Brandon Paxton, Ashley Peace, Nick Pohlabel, Kayelin Risner, Madison Ruhl, Micah Smith, Jasmine Stutzman and Noah Tuttle

Ontario Middle School

Fourth grading period

ALL A's

Eighth Grade — Jack Belding, Amelia Bricker, Alea Cook, Lena Creed, Jailyn Decimus, Taylor Dille, Brooke Eyerly, Mitchell Geer, Natalie Hall, Zoe Hampton, Brooke Holmer, Amaya Howard, Eden Howard, Samuel Jackson, Jaiden Kastran, Vanessa Liu, Zachary Mcchristy, Rowan Mcmanes, Emma Mies, Keya Pandya, Camden Platner, Ethan Radojcsics, Evan Ruhe, Elaina Seif, Landon Sowards, Grady Taylor, Mason Turnbaugh, Morgan Turnbaugh, Anna Ward, Kennedy Weiler and Emily Whitaker

Seventh Grade — Darbie Broom, Alaina Friend, Emma Henderson, Nicholas Huml, Paradise Jeru, Joelle Ly, Delaney Moritz, Madeline Mullins, Lily Secrist, Alexia Sesco, Hayden Sexton, Joie Simmering, Alexis Swank, Nora Swanson, Justin Switaj, Grace Them, Jaxson Tinkham, Michael Ward and Jace Young

Sixth Grade — Emma Bell, Bryant Born, Aaliyah Caldwell, Kaylei Chandler, Braedayn Currier, Connor Dawson, Brennan Fields, Eliana Fittante, Lily Garn, Logan Goldbach, Nolan Grider, Eva Hadsell, Garrett Hagerman, Camryn Hanning, Abigail Hart, Jazlyn Johnson, Kennedy Johnson, Emerson Jovani, Yuchen Lin, Madison Mabry, Sydney Mcmanes, Aniyah Monica, Tatum Mottayaw, Leah Nguyen, Kayvion Norris, Grace North, Ashton Pfeifer, Skylie Salmons, Sophia Sandwall, Cooper Schroeder, Maja Seibel, Saylor Smith, Kadynce Smithberger, Paxton So, Ava Spearman, Piper Studer, Lin Tan, Alandria Thomas, Elton Toska, Lauren Uhde, William Wang, Braedon Watson, Paige Weiler, Timo Winningham, Brayden Woods and Jordyn Yeager

HONOR ROLL

Eighth Grade — Baylee Black, Katherine Bolin, Elizabeth Criss, David Draper, Addisyn Fender, Brady Fletcher, Avaia Francis, Regan Freiheit, Cayden Hefner, Parker Henderson, Isabella Hill, Kierstin Jenkins, Kathryn Keffalas, Lindsay Knecht, Bodpegn Miller, Alan O'blisk, Nissi Powers, Ryan Racer, Ian Rachel, Evan Saltzgiver, Leila Stevens, Jakiah Trammell, Adison Viers, Joshua Yoak and Jack Zahn.

Seventh Grade — Brady Baumgard, Katelyn Bednarz, Brooklynn Black, Sasha Bulakovski, Alexander Chitwood, Jack Cotter, Marcus Crabtree, Tessa Curtis, Blake Dewees, Jake Duchene, Kate Fletcher, Drake Gerber, Miles Ginn, Aaliyah Gonzalez, Mackenzie Goodlin, Maximilian Grillo, Kailey Hale, Xander Jellison, Brinlee Kreger, Jaren Lehew, Kaylee Lynch, Trenton Maglott, Gracy Miller, Alexis Ogle, Elaina Owens, Morgan Pearson, William Porter, Eva Rietschlin, Madelyn Roseberry, Madeline Saltzgiver, Remington Schroeder, Jacob Seymour, Clark Spearman, Jordan Spurlock, Addison Thurber, Cohen Williams and Hattie Yugovich

Sixth Grade — Natalia Bise, Lillian Chitwood, Ava Cline, Aaliyah Estep, Alexandria Fender, Maia Fox, Lilly Gorrell, Patrick Hart, Haleigh Hefner, Vincent Hocker, Jaren Holden, Grace Holzmiller, Brylie Ireland, Molly Julian, Rylee Kegley, Riley Krzeminski, Caden Meyers, Gavin Miller, Kyle Morris, Rocco Peterson, Hazel Rau, Gavin Reiver-Crew, Weston Robertson, Anna Saltzgiver, Isabella Sorrenti, Khloe Studer, Hayden Valdry, Ashlynn Viers and Dakota Yunker

MERIT ROLL

Eighth Grade — Devon Addow-Roose, Cereniti Adkins, Grayson Ambrose, Matthew Bayes, Wilson, Beaver (Nyck) 08 Shaylyn Bryant, Cameron Bulakovski, Maria Calhoun, Austin Elliott, Lita Frost, Quentin Gobble, Matthew Hanning, Jonathan Keiper, Emma Mcdowell, Logan Meyers, Dean Morrison, Kendra Nelson, Preston Orewiler, Jayden Parrott, Austin Pence, Bailey Phillips, Anden Price, Zoe Reynolds, Makayla Shade, Rayvon Skelton, Zoey Smith, Mary Studer, Braeden Thomas, Ayden Wagoner, Carter Walters, Dylan Weaver, Andre' Wilson and David Winans, Jayden Yochem

Seventh Grade — Rylan Baker, Michael Bessemer, Trinity Burgy, Ava Calise, Serena Caudill, Serenity Cole, Noah Cousino, Ryder Doehla, Mason Egner, Sophia Ellis, Emma Fagan, Landon Foltz, Deanna Givens, Dalton Haywood, Malayna Horton, Kiarrah Kearney, Nadia Keith, Keegan Keller, Jayden Kiser, Jazmin Kiser, Daisy Loper, Trinity Miller, Ava Moots, Dale Morris, Cheyenne Mounts, Gradyn Muncy, Emy Nutter, Aiden Ohl, Phoebe Platner, Alexander Porter, Hannah Rox, Karsyn Schoonover, Hayden Skropits, Bradley Swain, Brooklinn Tanner, Kaleb Thomas, James Unger, Lillian Waxter, Anna Weaver, Sara Wharton and Aileena Young

Sixth Grade — Cheyanne Barden, Gavynn Barnhart, Leonard Barragan, Courtney Brafford, Faith Brahler, Brody Cheek, Kenzey Conkle, Havana Cooper, Nathaniel Garrido, Lincoln Ginn, Marley Guth, Andrea Hart, Dawson Hefner, Grace Horning, Ruby Johnston, Dane Kearns, Zyairriah Lindsay,

Braelyn Llewellyn, Myah Lynch, Owen Meligan, Mia Micheli, Ava Minnich, Demetri Parsons, Beckam Pelfrey, Scarlet Rehberg, Brooklyn Smith, Natalie Smith, Dominick Tilton-Cantrell and Kane Tilton-Cantrel

NAMI hosting free seminar July 27

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Family & Friends will host a free 2-hour seminar that informs attendees who have loved ones with a mental health condition how to best support them. It's also an opportunity to meet other people in similar situations and gain community support.

The seminar is led by trained people with experience of supporting a family member with a mental health condition. They will walk you through the following topics:

• Understanding diagnoses, treatment and recovery

- Effective communication strategies
- The importance of self-care
- Crisis preparation strategies

• NAMI and community resources

The seminar will be held Tuesday, July 27, from 6:30–8:30 pm at Richland County Mental Health Board, 87 E. First St., Mansfield.

Call NAMI Richland County to RSVP or to request a virtual option at 419-522-6264 or email NAMI at families@namirc.org.

Balance workshop hosted over ZOOM

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is offering a free Matter of Balance workshop to the public over ZOOM, every Thursday from July 22 through Sept. 9, from 10 am to noon.

Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. The program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls. Class participants will learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity, make changes to reduce fall risks at home and exercise to increase strength and balance.

This class is for anyone concerned about falls, interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength or who has fallen in the past and those who have restricted activities because of falling concerns.

For more information or to register to participate call 567-247-6476.



Village of Bellville Fourth of July Parade 2021





Photos by Jeff Hoffer























LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History



THE MORNING SESSION award winners were named last Friday in the second annual basketball camp sponsored by coach Dennis Bartlett at Madison Comprehensive High SChool last week. They are (front) Ryan Kanz, shooting camp, fifth grade; Greg Sasarak, layup champ, sixth grade; Brian Poole, shooting champ, sixth grade; (back) Matthew Hughes, shooting champ and layup champ, fourth grade; Matt Williams, outstanding camper; Joe Dutka, layup champ, seventh grade; Jed Lawhun, hustle award; Matt Trittschuh, shooting champ, seventh grade; and Justin Larrick, coach's award.



IN THE AFTERNOON SESSION of the second annual basketball camp held last week by coach Dennis Bartlett, award winners were named for the eighth, ninth and tenth grade participants. They are (front) Jason Rachel, hustle award; Michael Valentine, shooting champion, eighth grade; Dan Maurer, layup champion, eighth grade; (back) Brandon Singer, layup champion, ninth grade; Greg Rush, layup champ, tenth grade and coach's award; Shane Leach, shooting champ, tenth grade; Rob Whitfield, outstanding camper; and Brian Constance, shooting champ, ninth grade.



KAY M REALTY HAS WON THE CHAMPIONSHIP of the Ontario Grade School Girls Softball League with a 7-1 record. In front are Glenna Anderson, Michelle Biglin, Denise Kreutzer and Shellie Foss. In the middle row are Stacie Riddlebaugh, Tammy Fleming, Kim McBride and Vickie Jackson. In back are Kelly Chandler, Beth Papst, Lora Jackson, Debbie Nichols and Sally Norris. Not pictured is Kim McBride.



HAPPY ROYALTY! – From these five lovely young ladies, Miss Linnea Study, left, was chosen as Miss Ontario Saturday night at the annual July 4th festivities in Ontario. Linnea's court includes, from the left, Becky Auck, Lonnie Harper, Betty McCarron and Pam Carpenter. Photo by Chuck Rickard

July 8, 1776 — A 2,000-pound copper-and-tin bell now known as the "Liberty Bell" rings out from the tower of the Pennsylvania State House (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia, summoning citizens to the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence. Four days earlier, the historic document had been adopted by delegates to the Continental Congress, but the bell did not ring to announce the issuing of the document until the Declaration of Independence returned from the printer on July 8. In 1751, to commemorate the 50-year anniversary of Pennsylvania's original constitution, the Pennsylvania Provincial Assembly ordered the bell to be constructed. After being cracked during a test, and then recast twice, the bell was hung from the State House steeple in June 1753. Rung to call the Pennsylvania Assembly together and to summon people for special announcements and events, it was also rung on important occasions, such as King George III's 1761 ascension to the British throne and, in 1765, to call the people together to discuss Parliament's controversial Stamp Act. With the outbreak of the American Revolution in April 1775, the bell was rung to announce the battles of Lexington and Concord. Its most famous tolling, however, was on July 8, 1776, when it summoned Philadelphia citizens for the first reading of the Declaration of Independence. As the British advanced toward Philadelphia in the fall of 1777, the bell was returned to Philadelphia, which served as the nation's capital from 1790 to 1800. In addition to marking important events, the bell tolled annually to celebrate George Washington's birthday on February 22 and the Fourth of July. The name "Liberty Bell" was first coined in an 1839 poem in an abolitionist pamphlet.

Classifieds

HELP WANTED

Full-Time Police Officer

The City of Ontario, Division of Police is recruiting candidates for the position of full-time Police Officer. This selection process will utilize a Lateral Entry hiring process to estab-lish an eligibility list for hire. The selection process will begin with the screening of applicants; applicants to be considered to continue in the process will undergo an interview(s). Minimum qualifications to apply, candidates must be a commissioned Ohio Peace Officer with at least one year of full-time experience as a Peace Officer. Candidates must also be at least 21 years of age; have a High School Diploma or GED; and must possess a valid Ohio Driver's License. Prior to appointment, candidate must submit and successfully pass an extensive background investigation, truth verification test, drug screen, physical and psychological examination. Current salary range for this position is \$45,906 to \$59,010 with excellent benefits.

Qualified applicants shall submit an application, cover letter, resume, educational background and specific training documentation relating to the position no later than Monday, July 19 at 8:00 AM at the police dispatch center, located at 555 Stumbo Rd., Ontario, OH 44906. Application packets may be obtained at the same location or online at www.ontpd.com.

> Cathy VanAuker Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio 7-1, 8 '21 (49L

Ontario Local Schools Mechanic

255 days annually / 8 hours daily / 8 paid holidays. Starting Salary \$47,450 annually, plus health insurance and retirement benefits. This position is available immediately. Salary and Fringe Benefits in accordance with the Ohio Association of Public School Employees -OAPSE #256 Ontario Chapter Negotiated Agreement. Job description is available in the Ontario Board of Education Office Contact Pat Duffner, Director of Transportation and Maintenance at (419) 529-3814 Ext. 51521 or duffner.pat@ol-

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ANNUAL BUDGET COMMENCING JAN. 1, 2022

Notice is hereby given that on 12th day of July, 2021 at 6:45 pm, a public hearing on the budget prepared by Springfield Township Trustees of Richland County, OH, for the next succeeding fiscal year, ending December 31, 2022. Such a hearing will be held at the office of Springfield Township Trustees, at the Springfield Township Hall, 3700 Park Avenue West, Ontario, Ohio.

> Anita L. Kochheiser Fiscal Officer Springfield Township Ontario, Ohio 7-8 '21 (22L)

Protecting Ohio kids from lead poisoning

By Senator Sherrod Brown

Decades after we learned of the dangers of lead exposure, too many children in Ohio continue to be poisoned by the homes they live in and the water they drink.

In 2018, more than 3,800 Ohio kids tested positive for lead levels. And we know the real number of children exposed is likely much higher – many children who are atrisk of lead poisoning never get tested. Sadly, many Ohio families learn only that their children have been exposed to toxic levels of lead after they begin to experience symptoms.

Early detection is key to getting kids the treatment they need to avoid the worst long-term health outcomes. Lead poisoning is a serious health threat for children that can lead to decreased cognitive performance, weight loss, and delayed growth. And children under age six are at the greatest risk.

That's why I joined a bipartisan group of my colleagues, including Senator Portman, to introduce the Preventing Lead Poisoning Act. This legislation would ensure children enrolled in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program are tested for lead poisoning. Right now, only 38 percent of kids on Medicaid receive their required lead screening tests.

Not only does testing ensure that children get the follow-up care they need, it also helps us identify and remove lead hazards where we find them. The best way to protect our kids is to prevent lead poisoning before it happens.

According to the Ohio Housing Finance Agency, more than two-thirds of homes in Ohio are old enough to contain at least some lead-based paint. And we all know the dangers of lead pipes. Ohioans remember the crisis in Sebring a few years ago, when families worried their drinking water was unsafe and the city spent tens of thousands of dollars on bottled water for residents.

We need a transformative infrastructure investment that puts Ohioans to work replacing lead pipes and doing lead mitigation in homes. No parent should have to worry that their children are being poisoned by their home or their drinking water.



Tom and Julie McCready at Gramac Farms

Sarah Hoffman on merit list

Sarah Hoffman of Lexington has been named to the Spring 2021 Academic Merit List at Muskingum University in New Concord, Ohio.

The Academic Merit list contains the names of undergraduate degree-seeking students who started the semester as a part-time student (minimum load of 6 completed hours) and earned a term GPA of 3.60 or above on A-F graded coursework.





A SYMBOL OF FREEDOM, a Bald Eagle sits in its nest at Magee Marsh near Oak Harbor, OH.