

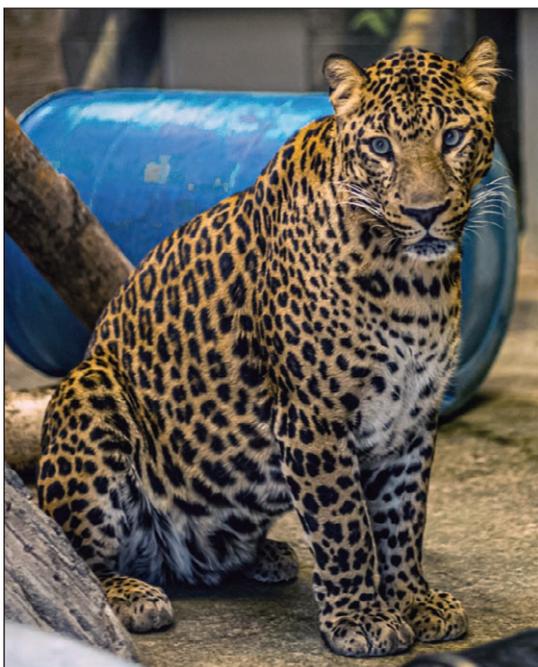


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## Columbus Zoo and Aquarium offers a new adventure with every visit

Photos and Article by Traci Little

My aunt Maria moved to Florida when I was a little girl. To bridge the gap, we began writing letters back and forth.

One day, she asked me to write a report on a favorite animal of mine and mail it to her. I was a bit reluctant, as it felt more like school than fun. What I found was that the more I researched, digging through those massive encyclopedias in my basement, the more I grew to love it. I found that researching facts opened a whole new world for me, and my love for animals only grew from there.

When I was a young parent, the legacy continued. I began taking my children to our local zoo in Rochester, NY. I found that it was a way for me to get some fresh air as a new mother and give my busy children something to do. One visit turned into monthly visits, and I soon found that the membership fee was much more affordable.

I can't even count how many times we visited the zoo over the years. It brings such fond memories, ones that my children (now ages 10, 13 and 15) have grown to cherish. All of our children love animals, and the zoo holds a very nostalgic place in their heart.

Last week I made the trip from my home in Ashland to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. The drive was a little over an hour, and it was well worth it! It was a joy for me to explore this zoo for the first time. The layout is creative and unique. I started in the back in the Congo Expedition.

I found the leopards to be especially beautiful. The section with the gorillas is absolutely fascinating, and I could have spent all day there!

The two-year-old western lowland go-

rilla, Jamani, was just like a little toddler, busy and causing all sorts of mischief. Jamani seems to never run out of energy. She is brave, adventurous, and curious. She loves to sample lettuce and fruit and plays with enrichment items like silver bowls, roller balls and Tuffy toys.

You can play a part in supporting gorilla conservation by recycling old hand-held electronics at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. From Feb. 1-April 30, the zoo is accepting old cell phones, digital cameras, Apple watches, Fitbits, iPods, mp3 players, hand-held gaming systems and GPS units, laptops, e-readers, iPads, and more.

The zoo will give the collected devices to Eco-Zoo to be recycled. The funds generated by these recycled donations will be given to the Dian Fossey Gorilla Fund International Grauer's Gorilla program in the Democratic Republic of Congo, and the Wildlife Conservation Society's Cross River Gorilla project in Nigeria. It is their goal to collect 10,000 devices in 2022.

Asia Quest was my next favorite. While lots of animals were not active during the winter months, I did enjoy seeing the Sloth bear, Rhino and Elephants.

Seven-month-old Asian Elephant calf, Frankie, was just waking up from a nap. He now weighs over 900 pounds. Talk about growing up fast! He played and splashed in the water and followed it up with spraying sand in all over and rolling around on the ground.

My children are looking forward to visiting soon. They are eager to explore this new zoo and continue creating more meaningful memories. The neat thing about the zoo is each visit is completely

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## Ontario Board of Education releases school calendar

The Ontario Local Schools Board of Education met Tuesday, Feb. 8.

Amy Nagel, School Wellness Coordinator, and her students, Rychel Rehberg, Nico Fox and Brooklyn Gobble, presented several of their classroom activities focusing on helpful hints for coping with their feelings and understanding their emotions.

Mike Ream, Director of Education, provided an update on curriculum, instruction and assessment.

The board approved the resignation of superintendent Lisa Carmichael, effective at the end of her 2021-'22 contract. Anita Them resigned as Administrative Assistant/EMIS Coordinator, effective at the end of her 2021-'22 contract.

Eva Harmon resigned as Food Service Manager, effective at the end of her 2021-'22 contract.

The board added two supplemental contract positions to the current extracurricular salary schedule. These are for a boys assistant tennis coach and a girls assistant tennis coach.

Jim Buker was rehired as the high school industrial technology instructor and Linda Cooper will be the Stingel Intervention Specialist; both are effective for the 2022-'23 school year.

Temporary substitute teachers hired for the current school year are Lindsay Musielle, Stingel/OMS/OHS; Sidney Foltz, OMS/OHS; Sharon Moneysmith, Stingel/OMS/OHS; and Ashlee Trade, Stingel/OMS/OHS.

Ashley Smithberger was hired as a substitute cook and custodian for this school year.

Approved for the current school year are Milke Mullins, volunteer softball coach, \$0; Shelly DeHart, volunteer softball coach, \$0; Matt Trammel, winter/spring strength coach, \$2,110; Cary Carcione, head boys tennis coach, \$4,114; Ty Carcione, volunteer boys tennis coach, \$0; Luke Webster, assistant boys tennis coach, \$2,060; Paige VanCura, high school assistant track coach, \$2,993; Steve Chelski, high school assistant

track coach, \$4,114; and David Whittaker, volunteer track coach, \$0.

Teachers approved an eight period per day schedule for the 2022-'23 school year for Julie Buker, \$9,469; and Jim Buker, \$7,691.

Jennifer Jarvis was approved for an after school small group tutoring in reading and math at Stingel Elementary, \$25 per hour.

2022 summer help hired for facility and transportation maintenance are Tim Henige, \$16 hourly; and Kolten Kurtz, \$12 hourly; both effective Monday, May 2, 2022.

The board approved the high school course offering guide for the 2022-'23 school year and the 2022-'23 school year calendar, reflecting revised parent/teacher conference dates.

A donation of \$493 was accepted from Avita Health System for the Substance Abuse Prevention Program.

The board approved facility requests. Keith Strickler, Todd Friend and Amy Hiner set March 3, 2022, as a tentative date for the Community Engagement Committee Meeting.

COVID-19 Protocols were discussed and effective Feb. 1, 2022, the use of masks by students and staff will be voluntary.

The next board of education meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, at 7 pm. The April 12, board meeting date was changed to April 19.

Important dates on the Ontario Schools calendar include: Aug. 15, Stingel Open House for grades K-2 from 5-6 pm and grades 3-5 from 6-7 pm and high school open house from 6:30-7:30 pm; Aug. 16, middle school open house from 6:30-8:30 pm; Aug. 17, first day of school for grades K-12; and Aug. 22, first day for preschool students.

Thanksgiving break will be from Nov. 23-28 and Christmas and New Years break will be Dec. 19-Dec. 30.

Spring break is scheduled for April 3-7 with the last day of school on May 24. Graduation ceremonies will be held May 26 at 7:30 pm.

## Funds designated for rural development

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Rural Development Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program has awarded a total of \$32,702,000 to three communities in Knox and Richland counties.

Awarded funding includes a \$9,622,000 loan to Washington Township in Richland County to finance the construction of a multipurpose building for the Township's Fire, Road and Administrative departments, a \$44,000 grant and a \$36,000 loan to Union Township in Knox County to purchase a road maintenance truck; \$23,000,000 loan to The Ohio Eastern Star Home in Knox County to finance the expansion of Ohio Eastern Star Home's campus of senior independent living spaces.

These funds are a part of the USDA's Community Facilities Direct Loan & Grant Program, which provides affordable funding to develop essential community facilities in rural areas.

The program helps rural small towns, cities and communities make infrastructure improvements and provide essential facilities such as schools, libraries, courthouses, public safety facilities, hospitals, colleges and daycare centers.

# #1218 was "Oh So Big"

By Bob Carter

Robert Chilcote lived up the hill from the old Ontario Erie Railroad Station and just happened to have a camera in hand to snap a visitor parked near the station. It must have been one of those steam rail fan specials and stopped to await clearance, no doubt, from a passing freight. Rail fan trips did not always have the right-of-way.

The Norfolk and Western engine 1218 was built in June 1943 in Roanoke, Virginia shops. The railroad would eventually own 43 of these the most powerful steam locomotives ever built.

Weighing in at 951,600 pounds with a tender carrying 29 tons of coal and 22,000 gallons of water these monsters had a tractive effort of 114,000 pounds and were capable of hauling 100 heavy coal and freight cats up to 70 miles per hour. Their 4-6-6-4 wheel arrangement was, in effect, two engines in one.

Retired in July of 1959, a victim of the diesel era, 1218 was sold to a company for use to provide steam for their factories.

They then sold it to a private individual and later it went to Steam Town in Vermont. It was then borrowed by N&W for rail fan trips for a number of years and when Steam Town wanted it back, a legal battle resulted in N&W settling giving them several smaller engines in trade.

1218 was then the only engine of the 43 N&W saved.

Today the engine is on display at the Roanoke Virginia museum after a major over hall was halted by company brass due to high cost. After a long series of railroad mergers the Norfolk and Western became Norfolk and Southern Railroad. One can only hope 1218 may be finished and under steam again.

If the reader wants to make his or her heart beat a little faster, on your computer look up Norfolk & Western engine 1218 history. Rail fans with cameras left motion pictures of this thundering giant in action, belching heavy smoke, hissing steam, commanding whistle and all. OK, so I'm a railroad nut. It could be worse.



**ROBERT CHILCOTE** snapped this picture of Norfolk & Western monster locomotive 1218 as it waited at the Ontario Station for another train to clear.



## The Entertainment Examiner

By Ian Stumbo

The nominations for the 2022 Academy Awards were announced last week and *The Power of the Dog* led the pack with 12 nominations, followed by the sci-fi epic *Dune* with 10. Also in the running are *Belfast* and *West Side Story* with 7 each.

Not much is known about the ceremony itself which airs on ABC on March 27. It has been announced as of this writing that there will be three hosts, one for each hour, but it is unknown who those hosts will be.

The 10 nominees for best picture are an eclectic bunch and includes all of the aforementioned films as well as the Japanese film *Drive My Car*, *Nightmare Alley* and *Licorice Pizza*.

Steven Spielberg, nominated for directing *West Side Story*, has been nominated now in every decade since the 1970s and Kenneth Branagh, nominated for *Belfast*, has now been nominated in 7 different categories. Not too bad for two of our best filmmakers.

Much has been said of the exclusion of a populist film like *Spider-Man: No Way Home*. It would have been great to see the huge moneymaker included in the best

picture lineup. It was on my personal top 10 list but then so were so many of these nominees and even movies that didn't make the cut like *The Last Duel* and *C'mon C'mon*.

The great thing the Oscars do is bring attention to movies like *Belfast* and *Drive My Car*. These may be movies people would not may have known about because of the pandemic.

*The Power of the Dog* is available on Netflix and multiple acting nominee *Being the Ricardos* is streaming on Prime Video so there is lots to stream too. Check out the documentary short film *Audible* on Netflix.

It's understandable to be upset when the Oscars don't nominate box office hits for their biggest prize but they have plenty of times in the past (*Titanic*, *Avatar*, *Black Panther*, *The Blind Side*, *The Lord of the Rings* films).

The Academy usually goes for something deeper and with bigger messages and the films nominated this year are certainly worthy. Hopefully people will seek them out as they are truly entertaining and well done.



## Bloodmobiles scheduled this week

The American Red Cross will host bloodmobiles on Wednesday, Feb. 16, from 2-7 pm at Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh; and Sunday, Feb. 27, from 11 am to 5 pm at Richland Mall in Ontario.

To make an appointment to give blood or platelets, use the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

All who give blood or platelets Feb. 1-28, will receive a \$10 Amazon gift card.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### February

- 14 — Sarah Wilson
- 14 — Jodi Wentz

- 16 — Taylor Smith
- 23 — Deb Dobbs
- 25 — Ian Stumbo

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## News Briefs

Pastor Mike Mack at Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Madison area, will hold an Ash Wednesday service March 2 at 7 pm. Pastor Mack will lead a Lenten study March 3 at 6:30 pm.

Bishop Tracy Malone is expected to name the Rev. Paul Turner to be pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church, beginning July 1. Current pastor, Rev. Mike Mack, is retiring.

Rev. Turner has been serving at Cardington First UMC since 2014. He also has served at Freeport, West Chester and Mt. Carmel United Methodist churches.

Rev. Turner, 45, obtained his master's in divinity degree from The Methodist Theological School in Delaware, OH, in 2014. He and his wife, Robin, are expected to move into Trinity's parsonage this spring.

The 2022 Road Apple Run 5k Road Race will begin at 10 am on Saturday, March 5, at Crestview High School, 1575 St. Rt. 96, Ashland. Race day registration begins at 8:30 am.

The race marks the return of in-person racing. The chip-timed race cost is \$22 and includes an event t-shirt (guaranteed if registered by Feb. 24) and a chance at race awards and door prizes. To register visit [https://registration.midohiorm.com/events/2022-road-apple-run-5k-road-race-011-32022557?fbclid=IwAR3DDjDD8Ji-y6xSEDYDvdWVDIbKEubrNiwjmpiPI2z5jd3gM1-d\\_TEq3a8](https://registration.midohiorm.com/events/2022-road-apple-run-5k-road-race-011-32022557?fbclid=IwAR3DDjDD8Ji-y6xSEDYDvdWVDIbKEubrNiwjmpiPI2z5jd3gM1-d_TEq3a8)

All proceeds will support the school track and cross country teams.

For more information contact Amy McFarland at 419-895-1700 ext. 18105 or [roadapplerun@gmail.com](mailto:roadapplerun@gmail.com)

The 2022 Zanesville-Muskingum County Visitor's Guide is now available.

To request a free guide call 740-455-8282 or visit [www.visitzanesville.com](http://www.visitzanesville.com)

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Jacquie Zarley on Sunday, Feb. 20. She will speak on "Anything Worth Doing is Worth Doing Badly, in Front of Everyone" For more information visit [www.allsoulsuohio.org](http://www.allsoulsuohio.org).

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at Der Dutchman Restaurant.

Lunch begins at 11:30 am, followed by

the meeting at 12:30 pm. Cost is \$13 for the meal.

Each month there are speakers and entertainment and members take several trips throughout the year. Dues are \$5 per year. Guests are welcome to attend.

On Feb. 16, the meal will be broasted chicken and those attending are encouraged to wear red. Representatives of Carousel Antiques will be speaking at the meeting.

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

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Feb. 26 and 27.

Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

Village of Lexington upcoming meetings include: Buildings & Grounds, Feb. 21, at 6 pm; Streets & Sidewalks meets after Lexington Council on Feb. 21; Safety Service meets before Lexington Council March 7, at 6 pm; Public Utilities meets after council on March 7; and Finance meets at 6 pm March 21, before council.

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens will host a bus trip to Youngstown to explore Fellows Riverside Gardens at Mill Creek Park on Tuesday, May 24. The gardens is 12 acres and the visit includes a visitor center, observation tower, café, gift shop, galleries, exhibits and a ferry ride on Glacier Lake (weather and time permitting).

Lunch will be in downtown Youngstown and a bus guide will narrate a ride through town. Those attending will also visit the Bytler Institute of American Art and Whitehouse Fruit Farm.

Cost is \$75 with \$30 deposit due by March 16. Price includes bus, driver tip, lunch and gratuity, tour fees, one donut and water and snacks on the bus.

Bus pick-up is at the Area Agency on Aging, 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario. Call 419-683-2409 for information.

Anyone 55 and older may attend.

To submit a news brief item, email information to [news@tribune-courier.com](mailto:news@tribune-courier.com).

Deadlines are noon Mondays.

## Memorial Arrangements

### Amy J. Cunningham

Amy J. Cunningham, age 60, of Mansfield, died peacefully on Sunday, Feb. 6, 2022 at her home surrounded by her family- exactly the way she wanted it.

Amy was born on June 17, 1961 in Shelby. She was a 1979 graduate of Ontario High School and worked as a massage therapist and a hair-dresser throughout her life. In 2004, Amy moved to Florida where she truly was so very happy. She loved the beach and the warm sun on her skin, but, most importantly, having her daughter, Angela, and grandson, Caden, accompany her in the move. She loved them so very dearly and could not have been gone from them even for the beauty of Florida. Although Florida quickly became her home, Amy returned to Ohio to be near her family during her strong battle and fight with cancer.

Amy loved shooting pool and was involved with numerous leagues and competed in many tournaments near and far. She also enjoyed flower gardening- a trait she inherited from her grandma. Ultimately, however, her number one interest and hobby was her grandson, Caden, a spot he quickly took from his mom when he came into the world. Angela's position did not downgrade though, it merely transitioned to best friend.

Those left behind to cherish her memory include her mother: Constance L. "Connie" (Stevens) Stuckert of Ontario; daughter: Angela Cunningham (Ian Zeune) of Mansfield; grandson: Caden Cunningham; sister: Joni (Jeff) Davis of Ontario; as well as nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends, especially her dear friend: Becky Croyle. Amy was preceded in death by her father, Joe Stuckert, on



March 27, 2021.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022 at 11 am at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario, Ohio 44906. Family and friends are welcome to visit one hour prior to the service from 10-11 am. Pastor Karen Wagenhals will officiate and memorial contributions may be made to the OhioHealth Hospice via their website, <https://foundation.ohiohealth.com/giving>, and selecting OhioHealth Hospice as the designation for donation.

The family would like to express their appreciation for OhioHealth Hospice. The nurses and aides were so gracious to the family, providing care whenever needed, answering with knowledge the many questions the family had as they walked the end journey with Amy.

They were available at any time to assist and to provide care for Amy or for the other family members. Also, we sincerely appreciated the care provided by the Mansfield office of the Cleveland Clinic. Dr. Al and his staff were present with Amy during her walk with the chemo and radiation treatments. Their truthful answers and strength were always present. The family also appreciates the many prayers and messages that were shared during this journey. We were never alone with our fears and questions. We were always hand-in-hand with those who cared and shared with us.

Care for Amy and her family is being provided by the Penwell Turner Funeral Home, 168 W. Main St., Shelby.

Sympathy may be expressed by leaving an online condolence on Amy's obituary at [www.PenwellTurner.com](http://www.PenwellTurner.com) or by leaving a comment on her obituary post on the funeral home's Facebook page, [Facebook.com/PenwellFuneral](https://www.facebook.com/PenwellFuneral).



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 9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship  
 Wednesday evenings: 6 pm Prayer Meeting • 6:30 pm TeamKID and Youth Group

## Community Bible Church

1043 Springmill St., Mansfield • 567-560-8011 • [www.DiscoverCommunity.org](http://www.DiscoverCommunity.org)  
 Pastor Sam Belsterling • 10:30 am Sunday Worship  
 Live stream at <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityBibleChurchMansfield>

## Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 Church St. West, Lexington • 419-884-1330  
 Rev. James Randas • 10:30 am Sunday Worship  
<https://www.facebook.com/Lexington-Presbyterian-Church-117768414915815>

## McElroy Road Church of Christ

297 N. McElroy Rd., Mansfield (Madison area) • 419-589-2661 • [mcelroyroad.org](http://mcelroyroad.org)  
 Minister Dean Jackson  
 9:30 am Sunday School • 10:30 am Sunday Worship • 6 pm Sunday Night • 7 pm Wednesday  
[www.facebook.com/mrccgrace](http://www.facebook.com/mrccgrace)

## Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario • 419-529-5684 • [ontariochristian.org](http://ontariochristian.org)  
 Minister Steve Broughton  
 9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship

## Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario • 419-529-4345 • [www.ontarioumc.com](http://www.ontarioumc.com)  
 Rev. Christine Bell  
 10:15 am Sunday Worship • Bible Study: Please check website for current schedule

## Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield • 419-589-5385 • [www.ridgewaycog.cgcc.org/](http://www.ridgewaycog.cgcc.org/)  
 Pastor John Dodds • Associate Pastor Billy Saunders  
 9:30 am Sunday School • 6 pm Sunday Family Events  
 10:40 am Sunday Worship with live stream at [www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog](http://www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog)  
 2 pm Wednesday Bible Study • 9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday

## Risen Savior Lutheran Church

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield • 419-775-1175 • [risensaviormansfield.com](http://risensaviormansfield.com)  
 Pastor Brad Wright  
 9 am Sunday Family Bible Time • 10 am Sunday Worship

## St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison) • 419-589-2114 • [www.mansfieldstmarys.org](http://www.mansfieldstmarys.org)  
 Father Matthew Frisbee  
 4 pm Saturday Worship • 11 am Sunday Worship • 5:30 pm Tuesday Worship  
 9 am Friday Worship • Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

## St. Paul Lutheran

2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351 • [www.stpaulmansfield.org](http://www.stpaulmansfield.org)  
 Pastor Jonathan Stufft  
 9 am Sunday Worship • 10:15 am Monday Weekly Bible Study

## St. Timothy Lutheran Church

1262 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison area) • 419-589-5252 • [sttimmansfield.org](http://sttimmansfield.org)  
 Pastor Jonathan Stufft  
 10:45 am Sunday Worship • 10:15 am Monday Bible Study  
 Email: [secretary@sttimmansfield.org](mailto:secretary@sttimmansfield.org)

## Trinity United Methodist Church

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## WHOLE CHICKEN WITH WHITE WINE GRAVY

I get a lot of requests for an easy crock pot meal. Of course the request always wants something that's not "boring" or just the "usual" crock pot dish. I think I can deliver on this one. I have an All Clad Crock pot that I love! It has a coated insert that I can take out and place on my stove top to sauté, brown, fry or whatever it is I'm doing.

If you can't find crème fraiche then by all means use regular sour cream. I'm using prosecco (a white sparkling wine for the Veneto region of Northeast Italy) but really any sweeter white wine will do.

### Ingredients

1 whole chicken — giblets removed  
 5 cloves of garlic (chopped)  
 1 sweet onion (chopped)  
 6 stalks celery, chopped in 1/2-3/4" pieces  
 1 pound carrots (around 2 cups) I used the baby carrots already peeled in the bag.  
 1 pound yellow or white flesh potatoes left whole or cut in half depending on the size.  
 (if you are using rice with this dish you may want to OMIT the potatoes)  
 1 box (32 ounce) chicken broth  
 32 ounces of water (as needed)  
 1/2 cup milk or heavy cream  
 1 cup crème fraiche

### Instructions

Remove giblets from chicken and rinse off, pat dry. Season with salt and pepper. Coat a crockpot with 4 Tbsp. of olive oil. If you are browning your garlic and onions first, then this is where you will want to do this, otherwise just add them in with the chicken. Add celery, carrots and potatoes. Add the chicken broth and wine into a crock pot (use enough water to cover the ingredients if there isn't enough liquid).

Turn the crockpot on low and let it go for hours. This encompasses most of the work, but we do a few things towards the finish line.

When we come to finish this dish (it's going to be in the crock pot for another hour or so) you need to taste and season accordingly. Does it need salt, pepper?

**15 Minutes to go — The Home Stretch:** In a small bowl add the milk or cream and stir in the crème fraiche (ALSO add 2 Tbsp. of flour to this mixture and whisk really well until combined and smooth). Now this is a bit tricky because you don't want this to curdle when you add it to the soup, so you need to "temper" it. To do this you will add some of the hot liquid to your cream mixture in the bowl, a little at a time and keep whisking. You want your cream mixture to be warm, almost hot like the liquid in the crockpot. Slowly add and whisk the mixture into the crock pot. (I know you will be doing this around all the stuff in the crock pot, so if you have a decent amount of the juice added to your tempered mix it will incorporate so much better and you can just stir it around in the crock pot). Put the lid on and cook for another 15 minutes. The gravy should have thickened up a bit. It won't be as thick as your traditional gravy, but will be like a heavier thicker broth. This dish is best served in a bowl, with a heel of crusty bread and a beautiful salad. This is also so delicious over some rice.

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Photo by Damon Callis

**Day Trippin with Damon** — The Big House at Malabar Farm State Park is blanketed with a fresh coat of snow. The park's Maple Syrup Festival is scheduled for March 5, 6, 12 and 13, from 12-4 pm. At the event, visitors can experience sugar camp with live historic and modern demonstrations, horse drawn wagon rides and food and maple products to taste and buy. Visitors will also have to opportunity to take selfguided tours of the historic "Big House".

## Lifestyle Inspiration



By Mátiece Thomas

Today I am excited to share with you my love for yoga and all of its amazing benefits.

In my last article, I taught you about HIIT workouts, Yoga is on the opposite spectrum of exercise, but equally beneficial.

I became certified in Hatha Yoga about seven years ago and I am required to continue recertification every two years as a personal trainer.

The year I first became certified, I had been training for a half marathon and it was reeking havoc on my lower body and joints. So when I chose my classes that year to earn my 15 CEUs required of me, I chose Yoga.

I honestly was just looking for more stretches to help me train harder. Little did I know I would fall in love with this calming, slow pace, meditative practice.

My two favorite types of yoga are Hatha and Restorative. They are amazing poses that literally undo all the abuse and stress we put on our body every day.

Another thing I love about Yoga is that it is a type of exercise that you will be able to practice at any age to maintain your strength, flexibility and health. You can also do it anywhere with no equipment.

You will be surprised to hear of all the health benefits you can receive just practicing yoga three times a week.

### Top benefits fo Yoga:

- Flexibility
- Stress Relief
- Mental Health
- Reduces Inflammation
- Boosts Immunity

- Improves Balance
- Cardiovascular (yogic breathing)
- Improves Sleep
- Helps Lower Glucose Levels
- Strength

After reading all these health benefits, how can you resist trying this amazing practice?

For beginners, look up my top seven poses and incorporate them into your day. Hold the poses up to one minute (or 5-10 deep cleansing breaths in and out through the nose.)

First, sit quietly in a preparation pose to prepare your breath, which means to close your eyes and just breath, calming your body and mind.

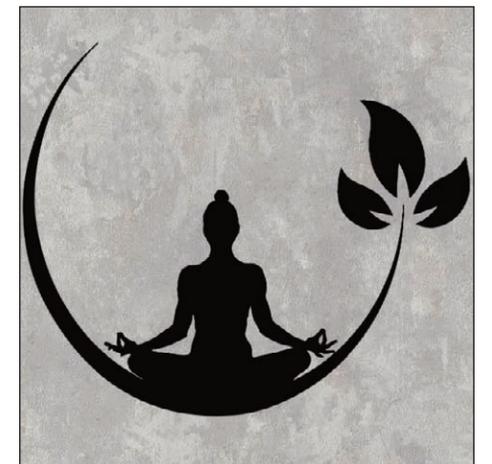
My top seven poses are:

- Cat To Cow
- Downward Facing Dog
- Pigeon
- Child Pose
- Mountain
- Tree
- Ending with Legs-up-the-wall pose (Viparita Karani) This pose restores and revitalizes. It is also amazing for your digestion system.

I hope this article has encouraged to incorporate yoga into your fitness regimen. You will be happier, calmer and healthier for it.

Namaste.

Follow me at Instagram-5ptsfitness\_trainergirl for nutrition and workout tips.



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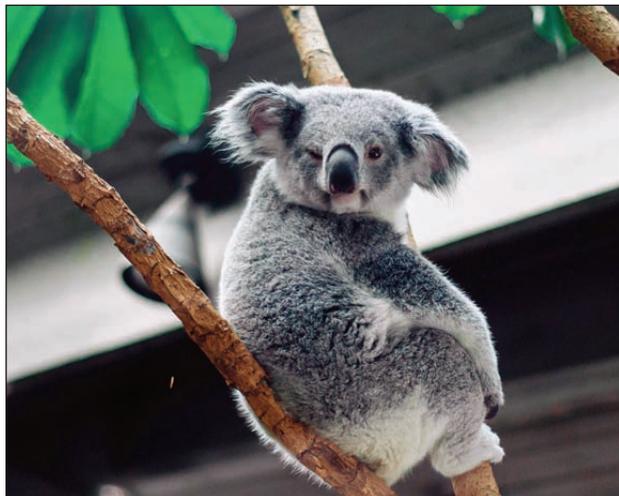
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different and unique.

Consider planning your trip to the Columbus Zoo! You can visit their website at [www.columbuszoo.org/](http://www.columbuszoo.org/) and learn more about prices and membership.

They are open daily from 10 am to 4 pm. Through March 11, the Zoo's admission will be half price. Guests are encouraged to pre-purchase their tickets ahead of time to reduce your wait time at the park. Before you arrive at the zoo, consider the special experience schedule at <https://www.columbuszoo.org/home/visit/explore-your-columbus-zoo/special-experiences/>.

The Columbus Zoo and Aquarium was voted the #1 zoo in the country thanks to its members, fans and supporters.



## Joe Blystone will return to Richland County

On Feb. 10, Joe Blystone, candidate for Ohio Governor, made his first visit to Richland County during an event held at City Grille in Mansfield.

On Feb. 22, he will return with running-mate Jeremiah Workman for the Richland County Women's Republican Party held at the Masonic Temple, 1250 Middle-Bellville Road, from 7-8:30 pm.

They will return for a third visit March 7, at 7 pm, at The Potter's House, 374 Willowood Dr. East, in Mansfield.

The public is invited to come and meet Joe Blystone and retired Marine Jeremiah Workman at these events. Blystone/Workman is the only constitutional conservative team running on the Republican gubernatorial ticket.

These events are an opportunity for the community to learn more about the Blystone/Workman campaign in a casual town-hall style environment. The candidates will share where they stand on major issues and answer any other questions. Yard signs, flags, shirts and stickers may be available for a donation at each event. Visit [www.BlystoneForGovernor.com](http://www.BlystoneForGovernor.com) for more information.



## Intel facility will bring 20,000 jobs to Ohio

Intel recently announced it will be building a \$20 billion semiconductor facility in Ohio.

The Intel megaproject will not only bring more than 20,000 good-paying jobs to Ohio, but it will also provide opportunity to businesses, communities and families in all corners of the state. More than 140 existing Ohio businesses across the state are already a part of Intel's supply chain, and the project is expected to bring additional new businesses to Ohio to support the supply chain.

"As a Major General in the Ohio Army National Guard, I am also excited about the national security implications of this announcement," said Steve Stivers, president and CEO of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce.

"We cannot afford to outsource national security products to China. These chips will not only power everything from phones and cars to home appliances and computers, but also military equipment, so they must be manufactured right here at home in the U.S."

Broken down, the Intel megaproject will generate more than 20,000 jobs in the state, including 3,000 direct Intel jobs earning an average of \$135,000 per year (plus benefits) and 7,000 construction jobs over the course of the build, and tens of thousands of additional indirect and support jobs.

The project is projected to add \$2.8 billion to Ohio's annual gross state product.

## Home Energy Assistance Programs can help Ohioans

Those who need help paying for Winter Heating bills may be able to get help from the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). HEAP benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after Jan. 1.

Applications for the program must be received by May 31, 2022. HEAP helps Ohioans at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills. 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 assis-

tance programs including electric, wood, coal, natural gas, propane and kerosene.

For more information about HEAP, including a list of required documents, contact the Area Agency on Aging at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday-Friday, 9 am to 5 pm. To be connected to a local Energy Assistance provider call 800-282-0880 (hearing impaired clients may dial 711 for assistance) or visit [www.energyhelp.ohio.gov](http://www.energyhelp.ohio.gov).

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is located at 2131 Park Avenue West in Ontario.



**THREE LEXINGTON EASTERN ELEMENTARY** students advanced to the Tri County Bee at Mid-Ohio ESC on Feb. 10. All three students make it to the top 11 out of three counties. (Top photo) Miles P. took first place at the event against 33 other spellers from 16 school districts from grades 4-8. (Bottom photo) Nathan M. and Odin S.

# Country Town Pride celebrates opening

Photos and Article By Traci Little

The City of Ashland has grown tremendously over the past five years. Ashland Mayor Matt Miller told me it looked completely different just a few years ago. New businesses bring life to a growing town.

Country Town Pride celebrated its ribbon cutting on Friday, Feb. 11. Mayor Miller welcomed this new business with open arms.

“Opening a new business is something you dream about, and today is a day you will look back on as an extremely memorable moment in your life,” Miller said.

Owner Jessica Hall is very excited and honored to be opening this new business. She hopes that the community will welcome it with open arms.

Country Town Pride is open 6 am to 6 pm, Monday through Friday, and 9 am to 4 pm on Saturdays. It is located at 1221 Cleveland Ave., in Ashland.

It sells handmade crafts, baked goods, locally sourced bread, candy and Hershey’s ice cream. The shop also has its own deli and coffee bar, with sourced ingredients from Ashland and surrounding counties.

Local vendors were contacted about selling their crafts, and many who previously sold their things in the former business, Ashland Roots, joined the store.

“We are still welcoming sellers who would like to rent shelf space, with the store receiving a percentage of the sales,” Hall said.

Come out and visit this new business. Your ability to shop local keeps the heart of community alive and growing.



**COUNTRY TOWN AND PRIDE** officially opened with a ribbon cutting on Feb. 11. Attending were Amy Daubenspeck (Ashland Chamber of Commerce), Jessica Hall (owner) Megan Bowman (manager), Kristin Flickinger (Wayne Savings Community Bank) and Matt Miller (Ashland Mayor).



**THE ASHLAND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** presented a certificate congratulating the establishment of the new store. Pictured are Jessica Hall (owner) Megan Bowman (manager), Amy Daubenspeck (Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce), Dan Lawson (Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce and Ashland University) and Matt Miller (City of Ashland Mayor).

**To speak with Traci about advertising and the availability of having your business featured in the Tribune, email [tribune.courier.traci@gmail.com](mailto:tribune.courier.traci@gmail.com)**

## Statewide Disabilities Council to host DD Awareness & Advocacy Day

The 2022 DD Awareness and Advocacy Day is scheduled for Wednesday, March 2, at 10 am at the Ohio Statehouse. Attendance can be in person or virtually. All participants must register to attend. This is a free event.

The DD Awareness and Advocacy Day is held annually in March during National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. It is an organized event at the Ohio Statehouse for people with disabilities and family members and others. Speakers are invited to talk about different disability issues. Everyone who comes to the Statehouse and wants to talk with their legislator will have a meeting scheduled for them.

For event updates follow DD Awareness & Advocacy Day on Facebook.

Registration for the event is now available by visiting [https://whova.com/portal/registration/heaad\\_202203/](https://whova.com/portal/registration/heaad_202203/)

The Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council is made up of over 30 members, with the majority being individuals with developmental disabilities, and parents and guardians of people with developmental disabilities who are appointed by the Governor of Ohio. The Ohio DD Council funds grant projects that aim to enrich the lives of people with developmental disabilities with an emphasis on self-determination, diversity and inclusion.



*Bellville in Snow • February 2022 • Photos by Mark Shutt*

## Pioneer open houses planned

Sophomores from Pioneer Career and Technology Center's (PCTC) 14 partner schools—Buckeye Central, Bucyrus, Colonel Crawford, Crestline, Crestview, Galion, Lexington, Lucas, Northmor, Ontario, Plymouth, Shelby, Willard and Wynford—are scheduled to visit Pioneer Feb. 23 and 24.

An open house is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 24, from 6–8 pm with a second-look open house scheduled on March 3, from 6–7:30 pm. CollegeNOW Business and CollegeNOW Engineering will be in their labs at the Kehoe Center for the open house. Priority enrollment ends on March 11. The application for enrollment is available at Go2Pioneer.com.

During sophomore visits, students choose three labs to visit from over 35 career tech labs and see first-hand the options available for the students' junior and senior years of high school. Most labs offer students the opportunity to earn industry credentials

and certifications as well as college credits while providing a hands-on education.

Additional lab visits may be done at one of the open houses as well as at home, including the 360° virtual tour of the entire Pioneer building. These tours are available anytime, 24/7, on Pioneer's website. Pioneer students spend half of their school day in a career tech program and the other half in academic classes. There are over 20 College Credit Plus classes offered at Pioneer enabling students to graduate with additional college credits.

Students at PCTC participate in clubs, activities and sports at their partner school, as well as participating in activities and clubs at Pioneer including Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), Student Council, Business Professionals of America (BPA), FFA, SkillsUSA and more.

Visit Go2Pioneer.com or call Pioneer at 419-347-7744 for more information.



## Madison BPA chapter members earn awards

The Madison Comprehensive High School Business Professionals of America chapter attended the Region 7 Awards Banquet in Tiffin on Feb. 8.

The following students were recognized for their achievement and have qualified to advance to the BPA State Leadership Conference in March:

Azaria Caldwell, 1st place, Banking & Finance

Cayden Clapper, 2nd place, Banking & Finance

Michaela Carlis, 2nd place, Fundamental Word Processing

Levi Zehner, 1st place, Fundamental Desktop Publishing and 2nd place, Intermediate Word Processing

Jordan Niemiec, 1st place, Basic Office Systems & Procedures

Breeze Anable, 2nd place, Business Law & Ethics

Andrew Larson, 2nd place, Computer Network Technology

Dominik Whitesel, 2nd place, Computer Security

Nathan Gibson, 2nd place, Linux Operating System Fundamentals

Jameson Myers, 2nd place, Fundamental Desktop Publishing

Addy Cox, 1st place, Advanced Interview Skills

Jayonna Stokes, 1st place, Health Administration Procedures

Nicholas Bishop, 1st place, Health Leadership – Special Topics

Morgan Alberty, Breeze Anable, Peyton Myers and Tatum Turcott, 1st place, Global Marketing Team

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**THE FOURTH PERIOD FCS 6** class at Ontario planned and carried out a service project on Tuesday, Feb. 8. The group picked a menu, prepared food and served a meal in downtown Mansfield during school as a small field trip. Around 40 meals were served. The students learned a lot about helping others and being thankful.

## Public boating course begins March 1

Anyone new to boating and those wanting to develop boating skills and learn boating safety can attend America's Boating Course (ABC) which begins March 1, from 7–9 pm, and is held on Tuesdays through May 10.

Registration is through the Madison Adult Career Center. at 419-589-6363. The class will be held at Madison Comprehensive High School, 600 Esley Ln., Mansfield.

This in-person class is taught by certified instructors of the Mansfield Power Squadron (MPS) and allows participants to seek answers to questions from knowledgeable and experienced individuals.

This allows boaters to increase their knowledge of boating and boating safety. The course also meets the State of Ohio boating education requirement.

Topics covered include: boating laws (state and federal), safety and safety equipment, finding your way safely, boat handling, rules of the road, navigation aids, anchoring, docking, knots and lines, trailering, boat maintenance, communications and how to handle emergencies and mechanical problems and more.

Classes can help reduce risk of accidents and injuries, save on boat insurance and qualify for a state boat operator certificate.

The Mansfield Power Squadron (MPS) is a local nonprofit, aligned with America's Boating Club/United States Power Squadron, in promoting boating safety and education. It serves North Central Ohio.

Visit <https://www.usps.org/mansfield> or call 419-975-9724 for more information or for a complimentary vessel safety check.



## KCCC students qualify for Business Professionals of America State Competition

Knox County Career Center students competed virtually in the Business Professionals of America (BPA) Region IV competition at the end of January.

KCCC students in the Computer Network Technology (CNT), CollegeU-Business (CLGU), Digital Media and Software Development (DMSD) and Pre-Professional Mentorship (PPM) programs competed against students from Delaware Hayes High School and Delaware Area Career Center.

BPA is a career technical student organization that allows students to compete in various competitions in the areas of finance, business administration, management information systems, digital communications and design, management, marketing and communications and health administration.

On Tuesday, Feb. 8, BPA State Qualifiers in Region IV were announced. KCCC students qualified for state in 31 events. The BPA State competition will be held on March 10 and 11 in Columbus.

Keyara Murphy, BPA Region IV Director, said, "The students did a great job competing virtually. All students prepared in different ways; reviewed resources for tests, created projects using specific software, recorded presentations, or connected virtually with a community member. All contests were scored by a professional from the content area. Students apply and improve life skills through these competitions."

Murphy added, "As an alumnus, I love what this organization offers to students. It was life-changing for me as a student, and I know it can be for current students as well. We wish the best to the students who are

proceeding to compete at the State, and potentially National Level. These are the opportunities and experiences CTE is made of."

The following students qualified to compete in the BPA State competition in March:

Marcus Bradley (CLGU) 1st place in Banking & Finance

Holly Sawicki (PPM) 1st place in Economic Research (Individual)

Nathaneal Stradley (CLGU) 1st place in Personal Financial Management

Joshua Rashley (CLGU) 1st place in Fundamental Spreadsheet Applications

Madison Dennis (PPM) 1st place in Legal Office Procedures

Abigail Kennedy (CLGU) 2nd place in Legal Office Procedures

Dryden Hager (CLGU) 1st place in Business Law & Ethics

Zachary Mullins (CLGU) 2nd place in Business Law & Ethics

Emma Frazee (PPM) 3rd place in Business Law & Ethics

Nathan Lubera (CNT) 1st place in Computer Network Technology

Griffyn Hoenie (CNT) 2nd place in Computer Network Technology

Alex Brumenshenkel (CNT) 2nd place in Device Configuration & Troubleshooting

Leo Myer (CNT) 3rd place in Device Configuration & Troubleshooting

Logan O'Brien (CNT) 1st place in Server Admin Using Microsoft

John Auker (CNT) 2nd place in Server Admin Using Microsoft

Ethan Temple (CNT) 1st place in Network Administration Using CISCO

Kaden Pealer (CNT) 2nd place in Network Administration using CISCO

Benjamin Kramer (CNT) 3rd place in Network Administration using CISCO

Blake Ward (CNT) 3rd place in Computer Security

Chelsea King (DMSD) 3rd place in Fundamentals of Desktop Publishing

Dylan Perkins (DMSD) 2nd place in Fundamentals of Web Design

Alex Awwiller (DMSD) 3rd place in Fundamentals of Web Design

Garry Cooper (DMSD) 1st place in Digital Media Production

Dannielle Burky, Rachel Troyer, Corrigan Iams (DMSD) 1st place in Computer Animation Team

Layla Behnke, Ava Dominguez, Alayna Ferrell (CollegeU-Business) 1st place in Small Business Management Team

Emma Frazee (PPM) 1st place in Interview Skills

Robert Swint (CNT) 1st place Advanced Interview Skills

Hannah Brooks (CLGU) 1st place in Human Resource Management

Kierstin Cox (CLGU) 1st place in Prepared Speech

Lydia Burak (CLGU) 1st place in Presentation Management Individual

Holly Sawicki (PPM) 1st place in Health Insurance and Medical Billing Pilot

## Campus Visit Day is Monday

The Ohio State University at Mansfield will host a Campus Visit Day on Monday, Feb. 21.

Located at 1760 University Dr., in Mansfield, Campus Visit Day includes an overview about OSU-M, academic offerings, the admissions process, financial aid and scholarships.

During the overview, guests will be shown a virtual tour of the campus buildings with the option for a self-guided tour to further explore areas of interest.

Taking place in Riedl Hall, guests may choose to register for either the 10 am to noon visit or the 2-4 pm session.

Space is limited and registration is required at [go.osu.edu/tourcampus](http://go.osu.edu/tourcampus).

"Affordability, excellence in teaching and small class sizes make the Mansfield campus a desirable start to an Ohio State degree," said Jennifer Fry, director of enrollment services.

Questions can be directed to [mansfield-askabuckeye@osu.edu](mailto:mansfield-askabuckeye@osu.edu) or by calling 419-755-4300. Virtual visit opportunities are also available.

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# News Briefs in Education

The next regular meeting of the Madison Board of Education has been changed to the library at Madison Comprehensive High School, 600 Esley Lane, at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, Feb. 22.



Clear Fork Board of Education will meet in the Bellville Elementary Cafeteria on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 6:30 pm.



Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within each division for the fall semester 2021-' have been named to the dean's list.

On the list are Emma Shaffer of Ontario, earning a B.S. in Business in Accountancy; Parker VanArsdalen of Ontario, earning a B.S. in Sport Lead and Mgmt in Sport Leadership and Management; and Hope York of Mansfield, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, Journalism.



The dean's list for the fall 2021 semester at the University of Findlay has been announced. Included on the list are local students Rachell Clark of Ontario; Robin Eyerly of Ontario; Dylan Hunter of Mansfield; Alexandra Jacobs of Ontario; Aidan McGunigal of Lexington; Carson Mullins of Mansfield; Keegan Sharp of Mansfield; and Aurel Toska of Mansfield.



Lexington Local Schools will hold kindergarten registration for the 2022-'23 school year on Thursday, March 3 from 9:30 am to 3 pm and 4:30-7 pm; and Tuesday, March 8, from 4:30-7 pm. at Central and Western Elementary.

A child must be five years old on or before Aug. 1, 2022 to be eligible for kindergarten.

The following documentation is required for kindergarten registration, child's original birth certificate, child's social security card, child's immunization record, custody papers (single, adoptive, foster family or name change), proof of residence (current rental/purchase/lease agreement or utility bill) and parent/guardian driver's license.

Laptops will be available to complete the registration process via Final Forms. Parents will schedule a time for screening at registration.



Makenzie Hendrickson, psychology major from Mansfield, has been named to the president's list at Youngstown State Uni-

versity for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average in the fall semester 2021. To be eligible for the list, honorees must be full-time undergraduate students with a 4.0 GPA for least 12 semester hours of classes.



The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education will have its 2022-'23 Pioneer School Calendar available for public input on Friday, Feb. 18, from 8 am until 3 pm in the Pioneer CTC BOE office, in Shelby.



The Ohio State University at Mansfield and North Central State College will host the Spring 2022 Job & Internship Fair on Wednesday, March 30, from 3:30-5:30 pm. Information will be forthcoming.



Local Youngstown State University students who have been named to the dean's list for fall semester 2021 are Makenzie Hendrickson of Mansfield, majoring in Psychology; and Douglas D'Mello of Mansfield majoring in Electrical Engineering - Biomedical Trk.

List recognition is awarded to full-time undergraduate students who have earned at least a 3.4 grade point average for not less than 12 semester hours of credit in the fall semester.



**ROBIN EYERLY OF ONTARIO** was recently named to the University of Findlay Dean's List for the fall semester of 2021. To earn this distinction, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. Robin is in her junior year, majoring in animal science/pre-veterinary medicine. She is the daughter of Dave and Angela Eyerly of Ontario."

## Ontario High School Freshmen Orientation

was held for eighth graders, the class of 2026.

Over 200 people attended to learn about course requirements and opportunities for involvement. Current club members were available to discuss participation opportunities.



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**KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER (KCCC)** students in the Building Trades and Metal Fabrication & Welding programs received Lift Training recently. Students received the following certifications: Class 7 All-Terrain Forklift, Boom-Elevated Platform, Towable Lift, and Self-Propelled Elevated Platforms. Lift training is done yearly at KCCC. Ohio Rental and Holmes Rental donate all the equipment that is used for the training. "We are one of only a few schools in the state that offer these certifications to students," said Colby Clippinger, Building Trades instructor at KCCC. Clippinger added, "By offering these certifications, it allows our students to start working on-site day one."



**THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 1** class at Ontario High School recently researched in the library. Some of the students told Karson that his tie was too long, so he quietly went to Mr. Kime, who showed him how to get his tie the correct length.

# ONTARIO LOCAL SCHOOLS MENU

## BREAKFAST

- Monday: Apple cinnamon muffin, fruit juice
- Tuesday: Whole grain mini pancakes, fruit juice
- Wednesday: Cream cheese filled bagel, fruit juice
- Thursday: Whole grain cinni mini roll, fruit juice
- Friday: Two whole grain pop tarts, fruit juice

## LUNCH WEEK OF FEB. 21

- Monday: No School
- Tuesday: Cheeseburger, baked beans, pickle chips, peaches
- Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, broccoli, apple/cinnamon loaf, peach and pear mix
- Thursday: French toast sticks, sausage patties, hash brown, orange juice
- Friday: Pepperoni pizza poppables, green beans, applesauce, cookie bar

## LUNCH WEEK OF FEB. 28

- Monday: Corn dog, baked beans, potato chips, pears
- Tuesday: Turkey sandwich, sweet potato rounds, pineapple, pudding cup
- Wednesday: Fish sandwich, cole slaw, potato chips, fruit
- Thursday: Sloppy joe, broccoli, peaches, granola bar
- Friday: Baked potato, diced ham and cheese, roll with butter, fruit cup

## LUNCH WEEK OF MARCH 7

- Monday: Pepperoni pizza, romaine salad, pineapple, Goldfish Grahams
- Tuesday: Hot dog or coney, potato rounds, applesauce cup, cookie bar
- Wednesday: Taco salad, black beans, mixed fruit, fruit snack
- Thursday: Ham sandwich, cooked carrots, scalloped potatoes, pineapple
- Friday: Macaroni and cheese, PB & J Pocket, green beans, peaches

## LUNCH WEEK OF MARCH 14

- Monday: Chicken and cheese quesadilla, cheese sauce cup, black beans, pears
- Tuesday: Pepperoni pizza calzone, romaine salad, orange sherbet, Jello cup
- Wednesday: Chicken finger wrap, lettuce and cheese, cauliflower, fruit juice
- Thursday: Chicken patty sandwich, potato wedges, strawberries, brownie
- Friday: Tomato soup, toasted cheese sandwich, pickle spear, peaches

## LUNCH WEEK OF MARCH 21

- Monday: Beef & bean burrito, pretzel bites with cheese, carrot sticks, fruit cup
- Tuesday: BBQ pork sandwich, baked beans, apple crisp, ice cream cup
- Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, roll with butter, applesauce
- Thursday: Shredded chicken sandwich, green beans, macaroni salad, mandarin oranges
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# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



**2022 MOAC BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS:** The Ontario Warriors eighth grade team beat Clear Fork with a score of 19–15. Team members are front Joelle, Elaina, Emma, Gravy, Brinlee and Kenzie; and back, Ava, Aileena, Coach Dave, Morgan, Paradise, Hayden, Sara, Addie and Jaegin.



**PARADISE JERU AND SARA WHARTON** of Ontario dubbed themselves "The Twin Towers." Both were named to the MOAC All-American Watchlist.

## Warrior eighth grade girls crowned MOAC champions

The Ontario Warriors eighth grade girls basketball team defeated Clear Fork 19–15 to take the Mid-Ohio Athletic Conference title at Galion.

The Lady Colts ended the first quarter with a 4–2 lead but Ontario's Kenzie Goodlin scored 4 of the team's 6 points in the second, going into halftime with the Lady Warriors leading 8–7.

In the third, Ontario outscored Clear Fork 7–5, which led them into the final quarter with a 15–12 advantage.

During the fourth quarter, Paradise Jeru and Addi Pittman landed four at the free-throw line.

On the charity stripe, Ontario shot 9 of 16 but Clear Fork was 5 of 26.

Ontario's Paradise Jeru and Clear Fork's Brinley Barnett were named First Team All MOAC for eighth grade girls basketball. Clear Fork's Rozy Stover was named Second Team All MOAC.

Honorable Mention included Sara Wharton of Ontario and Bailee Riddle of Clear Fork.



Ontario Middle School Seventh Grade Cheer



Ontario Middle School Eighth Grade Cheer



Snow Trails • February 12  
Photo by Jeff Hoffer

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## Warriors will send record 16 to districts

Last Saturday Mansfield Malabar hosted one of several sectional qualifying meets.

The Ontario Warriors will be sending nine girls competing in a total of 18 events. The boys will send seven competing in 13 events.

Junior Brienne Trumpower placed first in both her 100 and 200 free events, senior Tiffany Whittaker placed first in her 100 breaststroke and junior Colin Cordrey took first in the 500 free.

The girl's 200 free relay of Trumpower, Whittaker, Shelby Keever and Ava Ruhe took first in the 200 free relay with a new Malabar Pool Record. The same girls also won the 400 free relay. Cordrey, Evan Trumpower, Alex Rose and Hunter Petit took first in the 200 free relay.

Other team members going on to Districts this Friday at BGSU are Shelby Keever, 100 free, 100 back; Tiffany Whittaker, 200 free; Ava Ruhe, 50 free, 100 free; Jayden Dechert, 100 fly, 100 back, Medley relay; Sky Liu, 100 fly, Medley relay; Haley Damrom, 200 IM, 199 fly, Medley relay; Katie Bolin, 200 free, 500 free; Elaina Seif, Medley relay; Evan Trumpower, 100 breaststroke, Medley relay, 400 free relay; Colin Cordrey, Medley relay, 400 free relay; Alex Rose, 100 free, 200 free, Medley relay 400 free relay; Hunter Petit, 200 free, Medley relay, 400 free relay; Logan Bernat, 100 back, Medley relay; Alex Matthes, 200 free; Duncan McLean, 500 free, 100 breaststroke; and Evan Ruhe is an alternate for the 100 back.

## Ontario vs Galion • Feb. 9 • Warriors Win 78-67



Ontario swimmers Sky Liu and Katie Bolin



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## Ontario Senior Night vs Shelby • Feb. 10 • Shelby Won 66-28



Junior Lauren Sexton



Senior Rylee Nigh

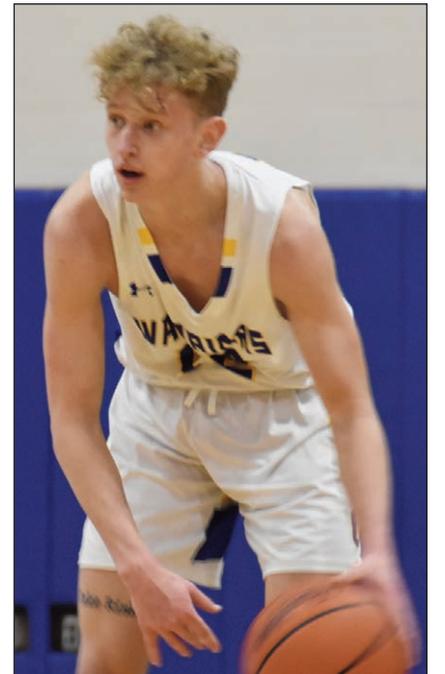


Senior Alyssa Taylor



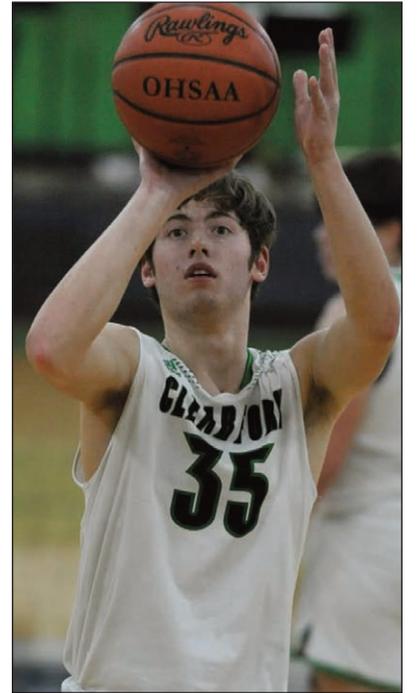
Senior Macy Mangan

## Ontario Senior Night vs Colonel Crawford • Feb. 12 • CC Won 49-39



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Clear Fork vs Marion Pleasant • Feb. 9 • MP won 69-61 • Photos by Jeff Hoffer



LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History

Where Are The 1963 Ontario Hi Grads?

Feb. 21, '64



**MAX ROBERT TERMAN**

... Spring Arbor College, in Spring Arbor, Michigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Terman



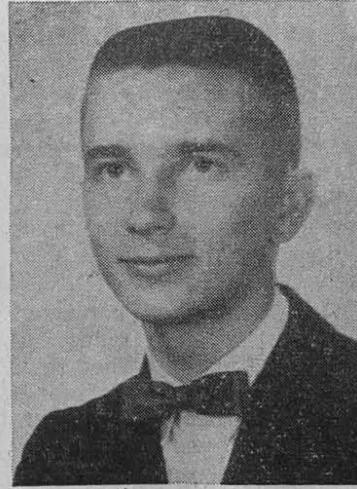
**BETTY MAIN**

... Shafer Valve, Ontario, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Main



**VICKIE COTOPOLIS**

... Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Cotopolis



**LARRY ADAMS**

... Bliss College of Business, Columbus, Ohio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Adams



**KAREN AU**

... Ashland College, Ashland, Ohio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Au.

Know where these grads are today? The Tribune would love an update on where they are now and what they've been up to the last almost 60 years. Info can include current city/state, jobs, family, interesting life experiences — Email [news@tribune-courier.com](mailto:news@tribune-courier.com)



Feb. 14, '64

Ontario's Village test well on Lexington-Springmill Road is coming right along. The well is being drilled by the Ohio Drilling Company of Massillon. The drillers on the job at the Lexington-Springmill location are Frank Trenjan and H. Domer. They told the Tribune photographer that at that time the well was approximately 175 feet deep. Trenjan said they expect to hit gravel in the 12 inch hole by the time this paper goes to press.



Feb. 22, '73

CUB PACK 131 AWARD WINNERS — These Cub Scouts were some of the award winners when Lexington Cub Scout Pack 131 held its annual Blue and Gold Banquet at the Western Elementary School. An estimated 250 attended. In the front are Mike Hake and Carlton Lehman. In the rear are Stanley Hoptry, John Shadel, Kevin Loos, Todd McCreary and Glenn Loos. Photo by Rick Cicolani

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## OFFICE SPACE AVAILABLE

1,000 sq. ft. office space located in the front portion of 347 Allen Dr., Ontario. Rental will have own private restroom, front and side entrance. Room is a large open area. \$1410/mo and includes utilities except phone/internet. Email [tribune@tribune-courier.com](mailto:tribune@tribune-courier.com)

## LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on February 2, 2022.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-04 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR (OR HIS DESIGNEE) TO APPLY FOR THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM & CLEAN OHIO TRAILS FUND ADMINISTERED BY THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-05 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR (OR HIS DESIGNEE) TO APPLY FOR A TRENCH SAFETY GRANT FROM THE OHIO BUREAU OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-10 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S AUDITOR TO SET UP A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR RECEIPT AND EXPENDITURE OF THE ABANDONED GAS STATION CLEANUP GRANT FUND THE CITY RECEIVES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 22-11 – AN ORDINANCE VACATING BEMILLER DRIVE TO THE ONTARIO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 2-10, 17 '22) 54L

### INVITATION TO BID

SEALED BIDS for the furnishing of the necessary materials and construction of the

### 2022 STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON, OHIO

will be received by the Village of Lexington, Ohio at the office of the Administrative Director at 44 West Main Street, Lexington, Ohio 44904 until

11:00 A.M. (Local Time)  
Thursday, February 24, 2022

and at that time and place will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The scope of work consists of

milling and resurfacing approximately 4500 feet of roadways throughout the Village of Lexington.

The contract documents, including plans and specifications, are on file at the office of the Village of Lexington and the Engineer - Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc. (PDG). Documents may be viewed and ordered online or obtained by Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, Ohio 43615, Telephone 419-385-5303, [www.pdgplanroom.com](http://www.pdgplanroom.com). The cost of printing is to be paid to the printing company at the time the drawings are picked up. Shipping and tax charges are the bidder's responsibility and payable directly to Becker Impressions.

The Owner and Engineer are not responsible for any errors or omissions in the contract documents or drawings obtained from any planroom other than that listed above. Failure to submit a complete set of documents could result in a bid that is determined to be nonresponsive and rejected by the Owner.

The Engineer for the Project is Poggemeyer Design Group, Inc., 1168 North Main Street, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402.

All bids must be signed and submitted on the blanks which are bound in this booklet. Bids must state the unit prices in the blanks provided and be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked – 2022 STREET RESURFACING PROGRAM – and addressed to Andy Smallstey, Administrative Director at the Village of Lexington, 44 West Main Street, Lexington, Ohio 44904.

The bid guaranty may be of two forms:

1. A Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond using the form in the Contract Documents. (The amount of the bid does NOT have to appear on this form.)

2. A certified check, cashier's check or letter of credit in favor of the Village of Lexington, Ohio, in the amount of 10% of the bid. If the contract is awarded, a Contract Bond will be required, which is a 100% payment and performance bond.

After the award of the contract let by competitive bid and prior to the time the contract is entered into, bidders shall submit the affidavit required under the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5719.042 that the bidder was not charged with any delinquent personal property taxes in Richland County, Ohio.

The successful bidder will be required to pay not less than the minimum wage rates established by the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of Ohio.

The Village of Lexington, Ohio reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularity in any bid and to determine the lowest and best bid.

No bidder may withdraw his

bid for a period of 60 days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids.

The estimate for the cost of construction is \$208,000.

By Order Of  
Mr. Andy Smallstey  
Administrative Director  
Village of Lexington, OH  
(T-C 2-10, 17 '22) 117L

## LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE ANNUAL REPORT

The Madison Township, Richland County, Ohio, 2021 Annual Financial Report is available for review at the Madison Township Hall, 817 Expressview Dr., Mansfield, Ohio 44905. You may call 419-589-9999.

By order of the Madison Township Trustees Fiscal Officer  
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## MWCD awards \$20,000 to watershed protection along Clear Fork River

Members of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) Board of Directors approved up to \$1.4 million in grants to eleven organizations.

The grant program, Partners in Watershed Management (PWM), provides maintenance assessment funds to assist local organizations to implement water quality projects, flood reduction and mitigation programs, and watershed education efforts throughout the 18 counties within the MWCD. Since its inception in 2009 this program has provided over \$10.7 million in grant funding for 156 projects.

"There is a tremendous need across the watershed to provide funding to communities, universities and other conservation organizations for projects that protect citizens," said Craig Butler, MWCD Executive Director. "These projects help to prevent costly flooding, minimize soil erosion and nutrient loss from agricultural operations, assist with upgrading essential community services, and preserve and rehabilitate sensitive lands for public use. MWCD is proud to be a sponsor of these projects as they support our core mission and allow us to give back to the communities that are in our backyard."

The grant program is highly competitive with a multi-step review process to ensure the best projects receive grant dollars. All applications are reviewed by MWCD staff and a select group of volunteer industry experts prior to the Chief Engineer and Chief of Conservation recommending applications for approval to the Executive Director, and the Board of Directors.

2021-'22 grant recipients included the North Central Ohio Land Conservancy in Richland County for watershed protection along the Clear Fork. Project cost is \$40,000 with \$20,000 awarded.

Under further consideration is watershed protection along the Clear Fork (Malabar Farms). Project cost is \$10,880 with \$10,000 in funds under consideration.

Applications for the next grant award cycle are due to MWCD by close of business on Sept. 1, 2022. Prospective applicants are encouraged to contact MWCD to discuss their projects at least 30 days prior to the application deadline to learn more about the application process and have their applications preliminarily screened for eligibility. Contact Lynn Gilland, administrative specialist at 330-556-4817 or at [lgilland@mwcd.org](mailto:lgilland@mwcd.org). More information can be found at [MWCD.org](http://MWCD.org).

## Association to help families navigate stages of dementia

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter will offer two virtual programs to help families identify dementia early, then understand how to communicate with their loved ones as the disease progresses.

The programs, provided to the community free of charge, are: "10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's," from 5-6 pm on Tuesday, Feb. 22; and "Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors," from 6-7 pm on Wednesday, Feb. 23.

Both programs are virtual and will be presented on Zoom. Pre-registration is required by calling 800-272-3900 and providing an email address. Instructions about how to join the webinars will be emailed to registrants.

"It's important for families and caregivers to be aware of the early signs of Alzheimer's and other dementias, as many people living with Alzheimer's have not yet obtained a diagnosis," said Pam Myers, Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter program director. "Later, when the disease is progressing, behaviors can change and become challenging for caregivers, requiring new ways to communicate and connect."

"10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's" helps participants learn how to recognize common signs of the disease,

how to approach someone about memory concerns and the importance of early detection and benefits of a diagnosis. The program helps guide families through the diagnostic process and provides information on resources.

"Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors" addresses the fact that as Alzheimer's and other dementias progress and the ability to use language is lost, people living with the disease rely increasingly on behavioral forms of communication. However, some behaviors can represent real challenges for caregivers to manage. This webinar helps participants decode behavioral messages, identify common behavior triggers and learn strategies to help intervene with some of the most common behavioral challenges of Alzheimer's disease.

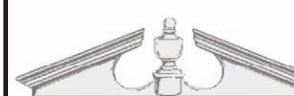
"An early diagnosis can improve the quality of care and quality of life for those living with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias and can help reduce the impact of the disease, both financially and emotionally," Myers said. "These programs help provide families with an early understanding of the way Alzheimer's develops, as well as tools they can use to navigate each stage of the disease together so that their communication remains as effective and caring as possible."

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# OHS Candy Grams

Members of the Ontario High School FCCLA and the Warrior Leadership Council made sure every member of the high school student body, including staff, received a CandyGram in honor of Valentine's Day and Kindness Month.



# MWCD encourages residents to get outside with Adventure BINGO Challenge

Winter is in full force, and the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) is inviting residents to bundle up and get moving outdoors by participating in the seasonal Adventure BINGO Challenge.

Being physically active in nature provides a variety of benefits year-round but is especially important in the winter months to help stave off winter blues.

MWCD lakes provide great destinations to enjoy the outdoors. During the winter months, area residents can be found participating in activities such as hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and bird watching to name a few.

"While the MWCD lakes are popular destinations in the spring, summer and fall, we want to remind guests that the public lands surrounding the lakes are also open and available during the winter too," said Kara Musser, MWCD Program Coordinator.

"Launching the BINGO challenge in the winter seemed like the perfect time to invite guests to explore our trails, and open spaces while blanketed in snow."

Each season a new BINGO board with a list of outdoor activities will be released. The winter challenge is open now through March 19. Participants need to complete five activities from the board, in any order, to be entered for a chance to win a MWCD adventure package. The activities need to be completed on a MWCD property. Locations can be found by visiting [www.MWCD.org](http://www.MWCD.org), and there is no fee to enter any location until Memorial Day Weekend.

To be entered to win the winter adventure package, register and submit completed activities online at [www.MWCD.org/AdventureBINGO](http://www.MWCD.org/AdventureBINGO) by March 21, 2022. Winners will be randomly selected and contacted directly.

A new challenge will be offered each season during the following dates:

- Winter: Dec. 21–March 19
- Spring: March 20–June 20
- Summer: June 21–Sept. 21
- Fall: Sept. 22–Dec. 20

Those who complete all four seasonal challenges, will be entered to win an ultimate adventure package.



Photo by Sue Hoffer