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Construction causes Lexington school year to end one day earlier

The Lexington Board of Education held its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 20.

Among business discussed was the end of the year date. The new school construction has caused a change in the schedule. The last day for students has been moved to May 19, one day earlier than planned. The change will not affect the schedules of teachers.

High school demolition is scheduled for the middle of June, followed by the junior high in the fall. The 2022-'23 school year is set to begin on Sept. 6.

Evan Matney, student representative to the board, presented his report, followed by the Western Administrative Report.

Matney reported that the LEO Club made 30 Easter baskets for the Harmony House. Members of the club donated candy and the baskets.

French Club met Friday, April 22, to learn about Easter celebrations and traditions of France. The final club meeting will be the cheese tasting in May.

The high school presented *The Wizard of Oz* at four performances.

Mrs. Conover and Mrs. DeGreen's biology students took a field trip to the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. A grant paid for the trip.

On Friday April 8, all juniors participated in a job shadowing experience.

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**Ontario Police Department Officer of the Year 2021
Shelley Dehart and Lt. Tony Grimwood**

Springfield Township, Ontario First responders recognized

Photos and Article By Jenna Wolford

The Ontario Lions Club hosted an awards and recognition night for first responders at the Ontario Senior Center, Tuesday, April 19.

Before awards were presented, guests were welcomed by Ontario Lions Club President Howard Harriman.

A marzetti and salad dinner was provided by the Lions for all in attendance.

Presenting awards were Springfield Township Assistant Fire Chief Adam Spellman and Ontario Police Lieutenant Tony Grimwood.

After a few words about each recipient, plaques were presented to Springfield Township Fire Department EMT of the Year 2021, Jordan Bittner; Ontario Police Department Officer of the Year 2021, Shelley Dehart; and Ontario Police Department Dispatcher of the Year 2021, Derek Metzger.

Springfield Township Fire Department Firefighter of the Year 2021, Ben Ricker, was not at the meeting and was presented his plaque at a later date.



**Springfield Twp. Fire Department EMT of the Year 2021
Jordan Bittner and (left) Assistant Fire Chief Adam Spellman**



**Ontario Police Department Dispatcher of the Year 2021
Derek Metzger and Lt. Tony Grimwood**



(Provided photo)
**Springfield Twp. Fire Department Firefighter of the Year 2021
Ben Ricker and (left) Assistant Fire Chief Adam Spellman**



THESE YOUNG MEN are at "The Club" pool hall smoking cigars. It make you wonder, did they just come from church, or is this as far as they got?

Men and Cigars

By Bob Carter

The Temperance Movement really shook things up in the lives of young men in the late 1800s and early 1900s. The saloons were closed, and with nothing more to do, the unattached males gathered in the dark red pool room on E. Main St., in Lexington.

The building was built by the Ferrow Bros. as a saloon but, with the town dry, Sid Earhart opened it as a pool room called "The Club." With no booze to drink, it was play pool and smoke cigars.

Passed over in memory is that Lexington at one time had three cigar makers. In 1882, A. Heskett, A. Smaltz and Mr. E. Heskett each were in business of making those brown smoke generating things.

In Mansfield between 1900 and 1906 there were a whopping fifteen cigar manufacturing businesses employing mostly women.

There was one firm that was just making cigar boxes. It was big business. The most popular were the "Bill Williams" manufactured by the H. L. Bowers Company.

Most young unattached young men thought that they looked more manly to women when they had a big cigar between their lips. The question must be whether the cigar smoking decreased or was banned when they got married. It must have been almost a sin for a woman to be seen lighting up one of those things.

Women could make them but only a man could smoke the bad smelling things. That was the unwritten rule of the times.



THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER

— By Ian Stumbo —

Robert Eggers is one of the most unique directors working today with both *The Witch* and *The Lighthouse* being completely unique experiences that really captivated critics more than audiences, though both films brought much attention to this filmmaker. His newest film, *The Northman*, is one that is much more accessible as it is a simple revenge story set thousands of years ago.

The film stars Alexander Skarsgaard as Amleth, a man whom, when he was a boy, watched his father (Ethan Hawke) get murdered by his uncle and now sets out to avenge his death and also to right the wrong for the abuse his uncle brought upon his mother (Nicole Kidman).

Amleth is now a Viking who invades villages and goes on a long quest to obtain the information he needs for his uncle's whereabouts. He sets out with a young woman he meets (Anya Taylor-Joy) to plot and kill his uncle.

Eggers films are very artistic. I thought *The Lighthouse*, for example, was terrific but it's cer-

tainly not a film for everyone. This one has some very artistic moments though the movie is so beautiful to look at and Eggers attention to detail is amazing. He immerses you in this long forgotten time as he combines a revenge tale with supernatural elements. The fight sequences, including the final one on a volcano are shot beautifully.

The cast is also great and Skarsgaard is very well cast and believable in this role as is everyone that is involved. The movie

is also very brutal and violent and certainly not for younger audiences but all of Eggers films are made for adults. He does not hold back, which is very much appreciated. He makes the films he wants and does not cater to what mainstream audiences may be looking for.

The Northman is highly recommended for its landscapes, performances, fight sequences and simple story told through a unique filmmaker's vision.



Early voting underway for Primary

On March 16, The Supreme Court of Ohio invalidated the Ohio General Assembly district plan adopted on Feb. 24, 2022. Therefore, the offices of Ohio House, Ohio Senate and State Central Committee will not appear on the May 3, Primary Election Ballot. Voter district information for the Ohio House, Ohio Senate and State Central Committee will be updated at <https://www.boe.ohio.gov/richland/> as soon as that information is available.

Early in-person voting takes place in the Lower Level Classroom of the Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield.

Voting hours will be Monday thru Friday, April 25-29, 8 am to 7 pm; Saturday, April 30, 8 am to 4 pm; Sunday, May 1, 1-5 pm; and Monday, May 2, 8 am to 2 pm.

Early in-person Voting ends at 2 pm on Monday May 2.

HEAP available to help Ohioans

Those who need help paying for winter heating bills may be able to get help from Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

Benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after Jan. 1.

Applications for the program must be received by May 31. HEAP helps Ohioans at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills. Anyone age 18 and older may apply. Those 60 and over can get assistance with filling out the application. All heating types are eligible for energy assistance programs.

For more information call 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799.

This Week's Birthdays:

May 2 – Audrey Wolford

May 3 – Daphne Peterson



Submit a Birthday to: news@tribune-courier.com

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News Briefs

Knox County Career Center's Landscape Design & Management program will host the KC-CC Spring Plant Sale through May 6 (or until sold out).

The sale is open to the public from 8:10-10:45 am and 11:45 am to 2 pm (closed April 27, 30 and May 1). For information email jcampbell@knoxcc.org

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Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East, Madison Township, will host a spaghetti dinner on Friday, May 6, from 4:30-6 pm in the fellowship hall. Drive-thru ordering will be available. The menu will include spaghetti, bread, salad, dessert and beverage. Cost is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church.

The church will also serve a free lunch on Saturday, April 30, at Advance Auto Parts on the corner of Ashland Rd. and McElroy Rd. Lunch will consist of grilled hot dogs, potato chips and bottled water.

Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted and will benefit the church food pantry. For more information on either event, call 419-589-5385.

★
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.

The meal on May 18 will be chicken. The group will celebrate its 48th anniversary and Dr. Lynda Dunn, pianist, will perform.

The group will also meet for lunch at Bucks Bar and Grill in Lexington on May 4 at 11:30 am. For more information call Darlene Lee at 419-886-4711.

★
The Ontario 4th of July Festival will be held Saturday, July 2 (rain date July 3), noon to 11 pm. The festival will be moved to Marshall Park, in the area of the baseball/softball complex.

Those who would like to volunteer for the 4th of July Committee can send an email to mayor@ontarioohio.org

★
The 50th Class Reunion for the Madison High School Class of 1972 will be held Saturday, Sept. 17 at Westbrook Country Club, 1098 Springmill St., Mansfield.

Happy Hour with a cash bar will be held from 5-6 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Dinner includes soft drinks, tea, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$50 per person and must be paid in advance no later than Aug. 1. The reunion will include a tour of the new middle school at 10 am the

morning of the reunion.

For information contact Mike Bailey at 419-565-2777 or by email at MbaileyW8HB@gmail.com. RSVP by sending reservation and fee to Madison Class of 1972, 1155 Briarwood Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907.

★
Ashland County Cancer Association is accepting donations for its rummage sale now through June 2.

Donations are accepted Monday through Thursday at 1011 E. Main St., Suite A, from 9 am to 4 pm. Call 419-281-1863 to schedule a drop-off time.

Donations should not include torn or stained clothing, broken items, books or magazines or old tvs. The sale will be held at the Ashland Fairgrounds June 9, 2-8 pm; June 10, 8 am to 5 pm; and June 11, 9 am to 3 pm.

★
In celebration of Ellen Lilly's retirement from Mansfield Christian School, the school is hosting a surprise card or letter shower sharing memories and words of appreciation. Cards can be sent to Mrs. Ellen Lilly, Mansfield Christian School, 500 Logan Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907 to be received by May 15.

★
The American Red Cross is reminding blood and platelet donors it's critically important to maintain a stable blood supply this spring.

Donors can make an appointment by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-733-2767.

Those who come to give April 19 through May 19 will receive a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice and will be automatically entered to win a new travel trailer camper.

Wednesday, April 27, 1-7 pm, Richland Mall, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, April 28, 2-7 pm, Lucas Community Center, 252 West Main St., Lucas

Friday, April 29, 8 am to 2 pm, Pioneer Career & Tech Center, 27 Ryan Rd., Shelby

★
The Franklin Township Ice Cream Social will be held on Saturday, June 11, from 4:30-7 pm at the fire station, 505 Boyce Rd., Shelby. Walk-ins welcome. Proceeds go directly to help support the non-profit Franklin Township Firefighters Association.

★
Savannah Lions Breakfast will be held Saturday, May 14, from 6:30-11 am at Savannah Town Hall, 12 S. Main St., Savannah.

The menu includes pancakes, french toast, sausage, sausage gravy and biscuits.

Price is by donation. Proceeds go to Savannah Lions Scholarships. Used eye glasses will also be accepted for recycling.

Door Prizes will be donated by Miller's Hawkins Market.

★
All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Rev. Dr. Elaine Strawn on Sunday, May 1. She will speak on "The Danger of a Single Story." For more information visit www.allsoulsuohio.org.



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Richland County Foundation annual meeting scheduled for May 18

The Richland County Foundation will conduct its annual meeting Wednesday, May 18, at 11:30 am at Kingwood Center Gardens, Mansfield.

During the meeting, chair Jessica Gribben and president Brady Groves will review the foundation's work during 2021.



Photo by Mark Shutt

Two board of trustee members will be recognized and thanked for their years of service and dedication: Beth DeLaney and Debbi Adams.

The foundation invites anyone in the community who is interested to attend the luncheon.

Online registration is available at richlandcountyfoundation.org, click the events tab. The cost is \$30 a person. To register by mail, send a check to 181 S. Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902.

For more information call 419-525-3020.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents.

New cost-share grants announced

In an effort to promote conservation practices by landowners, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is providing cost-share grants to offset some of the cost of installing a rain garden, purchasing a rain barrel or having soil tested.

These practices help protect the health of soil and water resources and conserve water. The funds supporting this grant program came from generous donations made during the Richland Gives event in November 2021.

The application period is open until June 1. For further details and an application, please visit <https://forms.gle/XBS1LQ3rc9RZ5p1QA>, call 419-747-8685 or email Contact@RichlandSWCD.net

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clear Fork Alliance Church

1008 State Route 97, Bellville
419-886-4333 • www.clearforkalliance.org
Rev. Matt Merendino
Rev. Mike Stine, Associate Pastor
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
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
Minister Dean Jackson
9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Sunday Worship
6 pm Sunday Night • 7 pm Wednesday
www.facebook.com/mrccgrace

Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario
419-529-5684 • 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
Rev. Christine Bell
10:15 am Sunday Worship
Bible Study: Check website for schedule

Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield
419-589-5385 • www.ridgewaycog.cggc.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
2 pm Wednesday Bible Study
9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday



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1689 West Fourth St., Ontario
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1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield
419-775-1175 • 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
Father Matthew Frisbee
Worship: 4 pm Saturday & 11 am Sunday
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
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
Pastor Jonathan Stufft
10:45 am Sunday Worship
10:15 am Monday Bible Study
Email: secretary@sttimmansfield.org

Trinity United Methodist Church

1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area)
419-589-5890 • trinityumcmansfield.org
Pastor Micahel W. Mack
9:30 am Sunday Worship

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Memorial Arrangements

Helen L. (Krupp) Kurbad

Helen L. (Krupp) Kurbad, 97, of Mansfield, Ohio, passed away on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at Ohio-Health Mansfield Hospital. She was born in Tiffin, Ohio on July 19, 1924 to the late Joseph Harper and Ruth Corrine (Kline) Krupp.

Helen previously worked at North Electric in Galion. A giver at heart, she was known to donate to many organizations and programs, especially to the Peanut Butter and Jelly Program at Ontario United Methodist Church and Children's Cupboard in Mansfield. Helen always put others above herself and took heart in showing people how much she loved, cared for and thought of them by sending birthday cards to church members or by making a phone call. Even during covid when she was house bound, remained dedicated to reaching out to people and called 3 church members a day just to check up on them. As long as she was able, Helen would bake a cake on 9/11 every year and take it to the Ontario Fire Department to simply express her utmost respect and support to the people who sacrifice their lives for us daily.

Helen was not only a giver at heart, but was always ready with a joke. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends and cherished the memories they shared together. She liked to go camping with family and made many trips out west. Helen loved reading, jigsaw puzzles and playing games, especially card games such as euchre. She was in the same card club for 70 years. Some of her other favorite games were the spoon game and Aggravation. She also loved to play Bingo at the Ontario Community Center. Helen

was a member of Ontario United Methodist Church, VFW Auxiliary Post #7657 in Ontario and Jug's Corner Grange #2680.

Many family and friends were blessed to have had Helen in their lives, and she was also blessed with special friends, Mike and Ruth Wallace and Leonard and Dorothy McBride. All the wonderful memories they all share will never be forgotten.



Helen is survived by her daughters, Linda McFarland and Debra (Rick) Mauk; grandchildren, Gregory Parman, Jonathan (Kim) Parman, Stephanie (Don) Angel, Derek (Helenea) Mauk and Andrea (Edward Akinyemi) Mauk; great-grandchildren, Haley, Kylee, Damon, Elias, Jaime, Jesse, Sisilly, Donald (Gus), Ryan and Andrew; great-great-grandchildren, Wrenlee, Zayden, Kaydenn and Rio; special niece, Lyn Fisher; and many other nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Paul S. Kurbad, who passed away on September 18, 2009; sister, Virginia Swanger; brothers, Harper Krupp and Kenneth Krupp; and her special pet, Cricket.

The family will receive friends from 4-6 pm, on Thursday, April 28, at the Ontario Home of Wappner Funeral Directors, 100 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario. A service will be held at the funeral home on Friday, April 29, beginning at 10 am with Pastor Christine Bell officiating.

She will be laid to rest in Mansfield Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the Peanut Butter and Jelly Program of Ontario United Methodist Church or to the Children's Cupboard in Mansfield.

Words of condolence may be expressed at www.wappner.com



Photo By Brandon Chambers

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- Iris Sue Cassity, April 19
- Belinda Louise Griffin, April 19
- Audrey Fellure, April 19
- Metta Pearl Metcalf, April 19
- David "Randy" Randolph Noe, April 19
- Ethel D. Wagoner, April 20
- David "Dave" J. Dillon, April 21
- Georgia Marie Dowell, April 21
- Devin M. Carver, April 23
- Helen L. (Krupp) Kurbad, April 23

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Spring in full bloom at F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm

Photos and Article By Traci Little

If you're looking for somewhere different for a quick day trip, the F.A. Seiberling Nature Realm in Akron is very beautiful!

I made the trip recently with the desire to explore their trails and view their birds and budding trees. The Magnolia trees are blooming and are always a favorite of mine to capture through my camera lens.

They conserve, sustainably manage and value natural resources for the health and enjoyment of the community. They hope to inspire people to connect with nature through clean and safe parks. It was founded in 1921, and Summit Metro Parks is the second oldest park district in Ohio.

They manage 15,000 acres throughout 16 parks, three nature centers and more than 150 miles of trails (including 22 miles of the Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath Trail).

F.A. Seiberling donated more than 400 acres to expand Sand Run Metro Park. Seiberling co-founded Goodyear Tire and Rubber in 1898 and played a leading role in developing Akron from a small town into the "rubber capital of the world."

Offering dozens of naturalist-led activities every month, year-round, and more are free! Learn to fish, draw, and kayak. Discover trees, birds, wildflowers and more!

Whatever your interest, age, or ability, there is something for everyone at Seiberling Nature Realm.

If you would like to make the trip, they are located at 1828 Smith Road in Akron. Find out more about what they have to offer at <https://www.summitmetroparks.org/fa-seiberling-nature-realm.aspx>



Richland SWCD hosting free native plant workshop May 3

As gardening season gets underway, Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) encourages you to choose native plants when planning your garden or landscape. Native plants are more suited to our climate and soil and typically do better in our gardens than non-native species.

They also provide excellent habitats and food for insects, pollinators and wildlife. Because they have a strong root system, more soil is held in place which slows stormwater runoff and filters pollutants before they enter rivers, lakes, and streams.

Richland SWCD is hosting a free workshop on native plants on Tuesday, May 3, at 3 pm at the Richland County Fairgrounds Nature Park at 750 N. Home Rd, Mansfield. For farmers enrolled in the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), Noah Cable of Pheasants Forever will review species selection, site

selection considerations, site preparation, planting methods, and post-planting care.

For all landowners, Gale Martin of Natives in Harmony will share why native plants are important in our landscape, their benefits and how to choose plants.

The Native Plant Sale will take place after the workshop from 4 to 6 pm. Plant plugs cost \$3 each and are subject to availability. Flats of plants may be ordered during the sale for \$96. Garden gloves and native seed packets will be available to purchase, also.

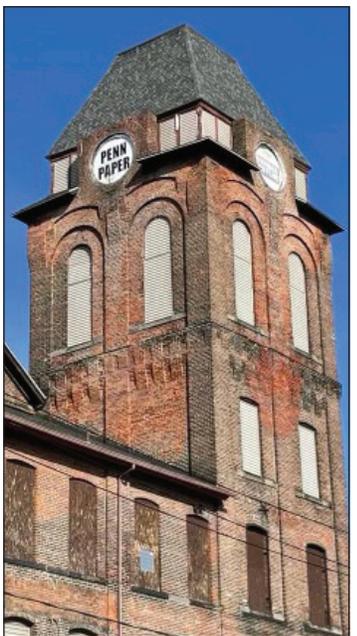
To register for the workshop or more information about the Native Plant Sale, please visit <https://richlandswcd.net/get-involved/calendar>, call 419-747-8685 or e-mail Contact@Richlandswcd.net.

Richland SWCD develops, implements, and assists landowners, government agencies and our partners with a wide range of natural resource conservation services.



Photo by Damon Callis

Day Trippin' With Damon – If you want a day and a half trip and are a fan of the tv series *The Office*, Scranton PA, has some sites for you to visit. Among the photos are Penn Paper Company, Coopers Seafood House and Alfredo's Pizza and Restaurant. All of these are referenced to in episodes of *The Office*. (Right) The iconic tower that is seen on the opening credits of *The Office* is actually the home of Scranton based Pennsylvania Paper & Supply Company. You won't see Jim and Pam inside, but they do sell t-shirts with the famous tower on it.



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By Kim Sterry

RICOTTA MORNING BISCUITS

Ingredients

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| 2 sticks butter | 1 cup ricotta |
| 1 ½ cups sugar | 2 cups all purpose flour |
| ½ cup brown sugar | 1 cup semolina |
| 2 eggs | 2 tsp. baking powder |
| 2 Tbsp. vanilla | 1 tsp. salt |

Combine butter and sugars and combine until smooth. Add eggs and vanilla, continue to mix. Add ricotta until just mixed. Add in dry ingredients. Preheat oven to 350 and place parchment paper on a cookie sheet. With a scoop or spoon, place biscuits on parchment and cook for 10-12 minutes. (Cook time will be dependent on size of biscuit).

Optional:

- 1 cup whipping cream
- 3 Tbsp. confectioners sugar
- Orange zest

Whip cream, add confectioners sugar and orange zest, serve on side with biscuits.

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By Mátiece Thomas

The crazy thing is, that 95% of our thoughts are repeated from the day before. Even our minds are creatures of habit. That could be a good thing or bad thing, that is up to you.

Your thoughts can be connected to an event from your past, which gives you doubts in the present and stops you from moving forward in the future.

It's not uncommon for me to meet with a new client and they are already expecting to fail.

Why? Because they have failed in the past and that is the reel that they keep playing in their mind.

When our mind starts telling us negative things, we have to flip the script.

For example, the other day I was training and I had to do something that is very hard for me and I hate doing it. My mind started saying, "You can stop," "you did enough," "you aren't strong enough yet".

I could have stopped and let my thoughts and that exercise defeat me, but instead I flipped

my mental script.

Through the whole move I kept repeating out loud, "I CAN do this, I WON'T stop till I get to the end!"

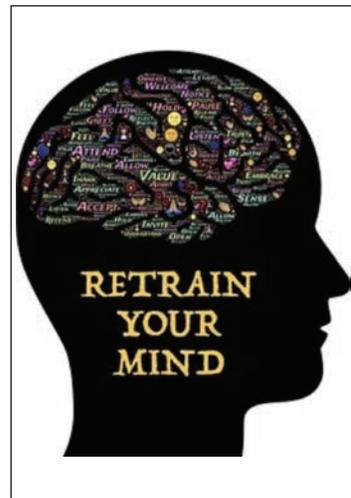
I could have given up, but instead I took control of my thoughts and body and did it!

Next time that will be the memory I will replay, I did it! I will have more confidence in myself and not listen to my self doubt.

We need to take control of our mind and kick the negative out and replace it with the positive.

Start today with one thought at a time.

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



“Nurturing Hands” sculpture presented to Kingwood Center Gardens

The Mansfield Garden Club presented Kingwood Center Gardens with a new eight-foot sculpture fashioned of brushed stainless steel.

“Nurturing Hands” by sculptor Michael Liscano pays tribute to members of all garden clubs

for their dedication in nurturing and enhancing flora in our lives. Clustered, vertical flora-like forms rise from the base of the sculpture. Hands represent the contribution of countless volunteers.

An installation celebration

was held on Thursday, April 14 in the Carriage House Patio Garden, the site of the sculpture. Connie Pastor, club president, officially presented the sculpture donation.

“Kingwood is honored to accept this sculpture. We value the

unique legacy of this club and appreciate the sculpture’s theme of paying tribute to garden club volunteerism,” stated Josh Steffen, executive director of Kingwood Center Gardens.

The concept for the sculpture became evident as the Mansfield Garden Club began planning for their 95th Anniversary in 2023.

The Mansfield Garden Club was founded in 1928 by a group of ladies led by Mrs. Luise Mack King, the second wife of Charles Kelley King, and Mrs. Jessie Baxter Black, wife of Frank Black.

It was the first garden club in Mansfield and one of the first in the State of Ohio. Through the years, the club members have taken active roles in community gardening, landscaping projects, flower shows, and supporting Kingwood in an array of events, programs, and projects.

Kingwood Center Gardens is a garden estate on 47 acres in Mansfield, that once was the home of the innovative industrialist, Charles Kelley King.

Kingwood is renowned for its distinctive floral displays, unique plant specimens, woodland trails, historic mansion and gardens, display greenhouse, duck pond, and peacocks.

In mid-October 2020, Kingwood celebrated the opening of the Garden Gateway, a new visitor center with a café, garden and gift shop, ballroom, exhibit gallery, and guest amenities.

The Garden Gateway Project also includes the Grand Perennial Garden with Perennial Pavilion, the new Draffan Fountain Terrace, and a Nature Pond.



MELC hosting pancake breakfast

Madison Early Childhood Learning Center, 1035 Grace St., Mansfield, will host an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 30, from 8–10:30 am.

The meal includes pancakes, cheese omelet, sausage links and coffee, milk or juice. Orders can also be called-in at 419-589 7851. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under.

A basket raffle and 50/50 will be held. Raffle tickets can be purchased at MECLC April 19–29 and at the breakfast. Winners will be announced April 30. Winners do not need to be present at the time of the drawing.

Proceeds will go toward supporting the summer childcare program. Everyone is welcome.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB members served a meal in downtown Mansfield as part of “People Helping People,” an organization that provides a free meal to those in need.

RichHistory Weekend is May 7-8

Organizations around Richland County will open their doors for an annual celebration of history on RichHistory Weekend, May 7 and 8.

RichHistory Alliance members offer special events and activities on the first full weekend in May each year. This year's events include the wide-ranging outdoor activities Pleasant Hill Lake Park is known for, a first peek at the new Shelby Cycle Historical Society's offerings, walks, speakers, open houses, and events at a dozen member locations.

The library offers "Hunt for History" scavenger hunts for kids at all branches, and an introduction to the resources of the Sherman Room.

Kyle Von Kamp, the remarkable teacher who has inspired 17 years of Revolutionary War reenactment by Willard school kids, will speak at the Plymouth Museum.

The Mansfield Memorial Mu-

seum features over 257 Westinghouse small appliances, plus photos, banners, store displays, and prototypes.

Big House tours and a barn dance at Malabar, a history walk at Dayspring, a pop-up streetcar museum at Oak Hill, Downtown Mansfield's Secret City Tour, and some children's activities at the Lucas Community Center are a sampling of other activities.

All events can be found at <https://richhistory.org/richhistoryweekend/>. Several events require registration through the website.

RichHistory Alliance is the organization sponsoring RichHistory Weekend each year, formed as a partnership of museums and historical sites in Richland County in 2016. Its mission is to collaborate, discover, preserve, and share history in Richland County. Members use their combined efforts to increase tourism and promote the many history venues in the area.

Presentation at Hawkins Corner can help those new to medicare

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc., in partnership with the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program, will host a "New to Medicare" event on Thursday, May 5, from 2-4 pm at Hawkins Corner, 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario.

This is a free informative event. Area Agency on Aging staff will be available to assist individuals in completing applications.

For questions about this event or other events contact the Benefits Enrollment Center (BEC) at the Area Agency on Aging at 419-525-6749 and your call will be returned. No registration is required to attend the event.

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Prayer ceremony planned

The local observance of the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5, will be held from 11:30 am to 1 pm at the gazebo on the square in Mansfield.

Each year, the first Thursday in May is recognized as a day to lift in prayer the blessings and concerns, the challenges and opportunities, the heritage and hope.

"We come with rejoicing, reflection and repentance, knowing that all things are in the hands of our Redeemer," said Rev. Dr. El Akuchie.

"We will pray specifically for those elected to serve, those called to respond to needs, those in whose hands our children's education is held, and those who move our economy for the benefit of all."

"We will recognize our officials, first-responders, educators and businesspeople in our time

together and hope you will be part of that contingency."

This year's theme, "Exalt the Lord, who has established us," Colossians 2:6-7, is a call to praise in prayer. The painting that accompanies the theme is created for this day by renowned Christian artist, Ron DiCianni. It shows Gods people joining His angels in exalting Him as we pray, because He is God Almighty.

Rev. Akuchie continued, "We have bold access to His throne and passionate confidence as we pray."

He has established us in this nation and is working in the heavenlies to accomplish all that He has purposed, as we pray for America!"

If inclement weather, the alternate venue will be at First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West, Mansfield.

Foundation will hold annual meeting at Kingwood on May 18

The Richland County Foundation will conduct its annual meeting Wednesday, May 18, at 11:30 am at Kingwood Center Gardens, Mansfield.

During the meeting, chair Jessica Gribben and president Brady Groves will review the foundation's work during 2021.

Two board of trustee members will be recognized and thanked for their years of service and dedication: Beth DeLaney and Debbi Adams.

The foundation invites anyone in the community who is interested to attend the luncheon.

Online registration is available at richlandcountyfoundation.org, click the events tab. The cost is \$30 a person. To reg-

ister by mail, send a check to 181 S. Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902.

For more information call 419-525-3020.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its residents. It helps people in Richland County give back to their community by investing their gifts for charity wisely so that grants can be made to improve the quality of life for all the county's citizens. Collaborating with donors, the foundation meets important needs today and plans for a strong future.



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Pioneer CTC accepts donations for t-shirts, scholarships

A Pioneer Career and Technology Center board meeting was held April 18.

Resolution 05-22 was adopted for Staff Appreciation Week.

Superintendent Greg Nickoli was appointed to the Crawford County Tax Incentive Review Council.

An agreement with Richland Public Health was approved for a school nurse for the next school year. Textbooks were approved for the 2022-'23 school year.

An anonymous donation of three formal dresses with an approximate value of \$500 was accepted for the prom/homecoming dress program.

Another anonymous donation of thirteen formal dresses with an approximate value of \$6,500 was accepted for the prom/homecoming dress program. These dresses will be made available for Pioneer students to rent for Homecoming or Prom.

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Arcelor Mittal, Shelby, gave \$500, to be used towards sponsorship of the t-shirts purchased for Pioneer's 2022 Community Service day.

Sarah Besenti-Adkins, Mt. Sterling, KY, gave \$150 for the Bob Janca Scholarship fund. This will be used for the annual student scholarship.

Nick & Ike Costein, Willard, donated \$250 to be deposited into the T & I Ruth Klenke Scholarship fund and used for the annual student scholarship.

Michael & Terri Crain, Perrysville, gave \$150 to the Pioneer Scholarship funds. This donation will be used for annual Pio-

neer student scholarships.

Flashover Maintenance, Crestline, donated \$500 to be used towards sponsorship of the t-shirts purchased for Pioneer's 2022 Community Service day.

Kenser Farms, LLC, Plymouth, gave \$500 to be used towards sponsorship of the t-shirts purchased for Pioneer's 2022 Community Service day.

Donnie and Randy Perry, Mansfield, donated \$50 to the Bob Janca Scholarship fund.

Jim and Marianne Ritchie, Shelby, donated \$50 for the Pioneer Alumni Endowment Scholarship, to be used for annual student scholarships.

Thomas and Katharine Sabourin, Mansfield, donated \$150 to the Art Barr Memorial Scholarship fund, to be used for annual student scholarship.

Dawn Wright-Smith, Wells Fargo, Blackbaud Giving Fund, Charleston, SC, donated \$81 to the Pioneer Alumni Endowment scholarship fund.

A trip to the FCCLA State Leadership Conference at the Ohio Expo Center, Columbus, April 28-29 was approved for students and chaperones.

A trip to the FFA State Convention at The Ohio Expo Center and State Fairgrounds, Columbus, May 5-6; and SkillsUSA Ohio Championships, Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, May 3-4, were also approved for students and chaperones.

The SPA National Conference in Dallas, TX, in May was also approved.

Employment of certificated and classified personnel for the 2022-'23 school year was approved.

John Cooper will retire as integrated math instructor, effective June 1, 2022; and Randy Endsley, counselor, will retire, effective July 1, 2022.

Dawn Roberts, medical technologies instructor, resigned, effective at the end of 2021-'22 contract year.

The board approved the non-renewal of LeAnne Bauerdick, integrated math instructor; and Christine Smith, Auto Tech Level One instructor, effective June 1, 2022.

Employments included Frederick (Fritz) Fagan, IT Support/Microsoft Office Instructor; and Austin Strouse, Industrial Engineering Technology instructor/Colonel Crawford Satellite, both effective 2022-'23 school year.

The board approved the voluntary transfer of Daniel Burtscher from EMIS Coordinator to Student Services/EMIS coordinator effective next school year.

David Such was hired for maintenance of Pioneer vehicles for next school year. John Yohe will be summer school coordinator for 2022.

The board approved a Professional Development/New Technology Extended Service contract for Paul Brown for ASE/NATEF Mid-Term Compliance Review.

BPA State Leadership Conference Chaperone stipends were granted to Daniel Foss and Marianne Ritchie.

A HOSA State Leadership Conference Chaperone stipend was granted to Melissa Myers.

Summer school 2022 stipends were approved for Robin Hager, social studies instructor; Tina Duckworth, language arts instructor; and John Yohe, science

instructor.

A non-renewal was approved for Richard Keller as a long-term substitute instructor for Industrial Engineering Technology for the Colonel Crawford Satellite program.

A "Dock Day" was approved for Deb Sallee.

Employment was granted to Danielle Barker, P/T cafeteria/banquet worker; and Ellen Zaebst, P/T parent coordinator/ECE Program.

Hired as summer custodial workers were Derex Dean, Josh Burtscher and Deanne Ross.

Non-renewal was chosen for Deanne Ross, PIT Clinical Clerical Help, effective at the end of 2021-'22 contract year.

Non-renewal of part time substitute classified personnel was also approved.

Deborah Deskins was hired as a substitute cafeteria/banquet worker and Ellen Zaebst was hired as a substitute ECE Lead Teacher I Aide.

The resignation of Allison Nichols, student worker, Early Childhood Education program, was accepted.

Revisions were approved to disbursement of Gorman Family Foundation Donation.

Resolution 08-22 was adopted in appreciation of a donation from KB Machine Tool Fab. LLC for end mills and lathe cutters with a value of \$15,000. This equipment will be used in the Precision Machining Technology program.

A resolution was adopted authorizing an agreement with Fanning Howey for professional services for the building automation system upgrades.

The next Pioneer Career and Technology Center board meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 16 at 7 pm.

The last day of school for high school students is Thursday, May 26.

An Adult Education graduation ceremony will be held May 26 at 5:30 pm.

Clear Fork welcomes input, changes meeting dates

The Clear Fork Valley Local Schools Board of Education receives federal funding through the Special Education — IDEA (Part B) grant to assist with education of handicapped children, ages three through 21.

Community members who would like to have input into the planning of the use of the federal IDEA funds are welcome to provide comment during the public participation section of the Regular Board Meeting to be held on Thursday, June 9, at 6:30 pm in the Butler Elementary Cafeteria, 125 College St., Butler.

Contact Bradd Stevens prior to

3 pm on June 8, 2022 if unable to attend in person, but would like comments included.

The Clear Fork Valley Local Schools Board of Education has changed the date of the regularly scheduled May Board meeting that originally was to be held on Thursday, May 19, at 6:30 pm to now be held on Thursday, May 12, at 6:30 pm in the Bellville Elementary Cafeteria, 195 School St., Bellville.

The date has been changed due to a conflict with senior awards night.

The Clear Fork Valley Local Schools Board of Education

has also changed the date of the regularly scheduled June Board meeting that originally was to be held on Thursday, June 16, at 6:30 pm to now be held on Thursday, June 9, at 6:30 pm in the Butler Elementary Cafeteria.

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Stephen James resigned as a high school English teacher and Kay Heweston resigned as a music teacher at Eastern, both effective at the end of the 2021-'22 school year.

Tina Parr was employed as an academic mentor for a student on homebound instruction, effective March 14, 2022 until the end of school, not to exceed six hours per week, at mentor rate of \$20 per hour. Matt Lautanen was hired as a junior high seventh and eighth grade English teacher, effective Sept. 1, 2022, on a one-year contract.

Addalyn Brown was hired as a fourth grade teacher at Central Elementary on a one-year contract beginning Sept. 1, 2022.

Shannon Nicol was hired as a long-term substitute at Central at \$110 per day, effective March 15, 2022, through the end of the school year.

Salary adjustments were granted for Tim Scheid and Holly Rice.

Emily Johnson was hired as a substitute educational aide and Sue Galbraith was hired as an educational aide at Central on a

one-year contract, effective Sept. 2, 2022

Adam Smith resigned as head mechanic in the transportation department, effective May 6, 2022.

Emily Johnson was hired as a substitute educational aide; Sue Galbraith was hired as an educational aide at Central, one-year contract, effective Sept. 2, 2022.; and Kelli Parks was hired as an educational aide at Western, one-year contract, effective Sept. 2, 2022.

Coaching resignations were accepted from Heidi Roush, JV girls basketball; Hayley Davis, JV volleyball; Kevin Young, eighth grade girls' basketball; Anne Petrie, JV cross country; and Gordie German, JV boys' golf.

Emily Patterson was approved as the strength coach supplemental for the months of May, June and July.

Anna Pham was accepted for a technician internship for the technology department, beginning May 2 through Aug. 20, 2022.

Ray Cunningham was hired as head mechanic and assistant

transportation director, two-year contract from Aug. 1, 2022 through July 31, 2024, and to be paid at the applicable per diem rate for any work necessary during the month of July 2022.

Please note that some employments are pending.

The graduating class of 2022, as presented by Principal Jamie Masi, pending successful completion of all graduation requirements, was approved.

Payment was approved for orchestra pit musicians for *The Wizard of Oz*. Payments will be made from the Drama Club account. Payments of \$350 will be made to Carla Colon, flute; Carol Bernhardt, oboe; Pam Ellis, clarinet; Jane Price, bassoon; Chelsea Thompson, horn; Charles Bradley, trombone; Matt Domka, violin 1; Stephanie Hill, violin 2; Doug Domka, viola; and Lindsay Brown, cello. Ken Holzworth, trumpet, will be paid \$420.

The board approved Front & Center Turf to maintain the high school football and soccer fields.

The board voted to continue membership in the Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development

for the period May 2022 through April 2023 at a cost of \$250.

High school prom is May 7, at the Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center. After-prom will follow at Lex Lanes.

The high school was named members of the Purple Star Class of 2022. LHS, as well as Central and Eastern, are being recognized for their commitment to serving students and families that are connected to the United States Armed Services.

Nikki Ruhl addressed the board, noting that in the past there were opportunities for parent volunteers who provided support for both staff and students. She noted that the PTO would track volunteer hours at each building and have a bit of a competition.

Ruhl indicated she would like to see a return to these weekly volunteers. Mr. Secrist said volunteer needs are assessed at each building and that volunteers are currently being used mainly for special events. He added that the type of volunteering being discussed would most likely return next school year.



MADISON EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER (MECLC) gathered for Child Abuse Prevention Awareness day on April 13. The school age children and teachers Ms. Maranda, Ms. Leah, Ms. Mekayla, and Ms. Kaley made blue pinwheels. One of the preschool classes had a balloon release with teacher Ms. Amy.



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REMINGTON HEDRICK (left) and her family raffled off Easter baskets at her bake sale and raised \$311 that she donated to Love Our Hero's Inc., in Bellville.

Nominations being accepted for senior awards until May 20

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is now accepting nominations for the Outstanding Senior Citizen and Community Service Awards. The deadline for nominations is May 20.

Award recipients from a nine-county area (one awardee from each county) will be honored by the Area Agency on Aging. Nominees must be at least 60 years of age, a legal resident of Ohio for at least five years, and have made significant contributions to the community.

A husband and wife may receive the award jointly when both have been involved in community service.

Community Service Awards are targeted toward an organization, agency, service club, a media outlet or a business that has made an outstanding contribution to the community on behalf of senior citizens. One award will be presented for the nine-county area.

Nomination forms, can be found at www.aaa5ohio.org/events/awards/ or by contacting Susie at 567-247-7105 or sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org. Nominations can be mailed, faxed or emailed.

New program supports veterans

Stripes for Vets, a new program through Thompson Elite Lawn Care, is aimed at giving back to our nation's Veterans through offering free mowing services for one year to one Veteran who applies.

"From the beginning of this business, I wanted to make sure we were giving back to the community and supporting our nation's Veterans in every way that we could. We understand the sacrifices that so many Veterans have made to keep our country safe," says Trey Thompson, Founder of Thompson Elite Lawn Care, LLC. "I am hoping that this program can show one Veteran how much their sacrifices mean to me, and I hope this program can propel forward to offer our thanks to many more individuals in the future."

Thompson Elite Lawn Care works with several community businesses, including but not limited to: Dollar General, Dzugan Real Estate Services, Edge Plastics, First Federal Community Bank MVAH Partners, Richland Academy of the Arts, Sleep Inn and The Furbay Electric Supply Company.

For more information on the Stripes for Vets Program or to submit an application, contact Trey Thompson at 567-274-2960 or visit thompsonelitelawn care.com. Deadline to apply is May 6.

Non-profit to host country rib dinner

The Richland Rural Life Center, 969 E. Crall Rd., Mansfield (Madison area), will host a BBQ Country Rib Dinner on Saturday, May 7, from 4-6 pm.

Meals include BBQ country ribs, potato or macaroni salad, baked beans, roll, beverage and homemade vanilla ice cream. Extra ice cream quarts will also be available for purchase.

Cost is \$12 for adults and \$7 for children 10 and under. Tickets are sold at the door. Carry-out and dine-in will be available.

Proceeds from the event help to keep the RRLC grounds open and available for use by Richland County 4-H and Boy Scouts.

The center also has three buildings available for rental throughout the year. The entrance is located between Stewart Rd. and Rt. 545. For more information call 567-307-4220. Visit the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandRuralLifeCenter>

Spring open house planned for May

The Richland Early American Center for History invites the community to tour the 1812 Blockhouse, the 1808 Petersburg Log Cabin and the new Hawks Nest Forge & Cooperage.

A spring open house will be held Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8 at South Park, 100 Brinkerhoff Ave., in Mansfield. The event is open from 10 am to 4 pm. Visitors can take a step back in time and explore early American cabin life and venture into the blockhouse where early pioneers gathered for protection. Passport stamps will be available for school children. For more information visit <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandEarlyAmericanCenterforHistory>



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Ontario Schools will purchase four new buses

The Ontario Local Schools Board of Education met April 19.

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

The board approved the purchase of four new school buses at a cost of \$106,454 each (\$425,816 total) from Cardinal Bus Sales & Service, Inc. The district is receiving \$9,000 from the trade-in of four old school buses. The grand total is \$416,816. The state grant that was received will cover 43% of the cost (\$180,000). The district share will be 57% of the cost (\$236,816).

The board approved a two-year lease financing agreement for the purchase of the buses through First American Corporation.

Certificated staff personnel employed on one-year limited contracts for the 2022-'23 school year and Amanda Van Harlingen, Kindergarten Teacher - BA, Step 3, Salary: \$41,479

Hallee Brown, kindergarten teacher, \$43,732; and Tesla Gray, Stingel Intervention Specialist, \$43,732.

Kimberly Bell was named the middle school principal secretary for next school year, \$27,223.

Paul Wheeler, Ontario High School Assistant Principal, resigned.

The board approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ontario Local School District Board of Education and the Ohio Association of Public School Employees Local #256 to increase the number of annual workdays and the annual starting salary for the food service director.

Anita Them will perform consultation services as needed, to the new superintendent's secretary, at \$35 per hour from July 1, 2022 through Dec. 30, 2022.

Certificated staff personnel employed on one-year limited contracts for the 2022-'23 school year were Kelly Conn, high school guidance counselor; Melanie Ferguson, high school social studies; Tim Mergel, student services coordinator; Vincent Sansalone, high school P.E./Health; Jaelyn Schaub, high school English; Paige Van-Cura, high school mathematics; Tonya Welch, high school English; Megan Gwartz, music; Rayleigh Allen, third grade; Nicole Boles, preschool special needs/itinerant; Brooke Breitingner, fourth grade; Britney Hart, Stingel Intervention Specialist; Kami Haubiel, Stingel Intervention Specialist - MD Unit; Hannah Liska, high school intervention specialist - MD Unit; Amy Nagel, school wellness coordinator; Kaylynn Thomas, fourth grade; James Watkins, fifth grade; Justin Weber, fifth grade; James Willis, fifth grade; and Mackenzie Wolfe, fourth grade.

Certificated staff personnel employed on three-year contracts beginning with the 2022-'23 school year were Jeremy Barrett, high school Spanish; Veronica Cain, high school guidance counselor; Sarah Krichbaum, high school intervention specialist; Heath Sager, high school industrial technology; Meghan Willeke, high school English; Doug Basham, middle school industrial technology; Wendy Wilging, eighth grade language arts; Hannah Beh-Wagner, kindergarten; Carly Benavides, fourth grade; Taylor Finn, kindergarten; Natasha Jolin, third grade; and Kayla Zingale, third grade.

Jake Stimpert was employed as a seventh grade science teacher on a continuing contract beginning with the next school year.

Classified staff personnel employed on their first year of a two-year contract, beginning with the 2022-'23 school year, are Mark

Hairston, bus driver; Jerrett Mullins, mechanic; Kayla Cain, high school secretary; Cassie Amick, guidance secretary; Mark Ward, playground aide; Stacy Hohman, playground aide; Samantha Mills, playground aide; Marie McGinty, high school study hall monitor; and Jenna Kiser, Stingel cook; and Mike Kehl, Stingel custodian.

The board approved one-year extended time contracts for the 2022-'23 school year for Jim Buker, 10 days; John Boyd, 15 days; Julia Miller, 10 days; and Kelly Conn, 15 days.

A three-year extended time contract for 2022-'23, 2023-'24, and 2024-'25 school years was granted to Veronica Cain, 15 days.

A nursing service contract was approved for Matt Wentz for the 2022-'23 school year at \$33.96 per hour.

Resignations were accepted from Erin Shroyer, high school intervention specialist - MD Unit; Jennifer Zahn, middle school secretary aide; Sean DeLong, band director/instrumental music teacher. All are effective at the end of the 2021-'22 school year.

John Boyd will be Ontario Middle School's online summer school supervisor at \$30 per hour (not to exceed 80 hours)

The board voted to not renew tutoring staff, effective June 30, 2022. These are Doreen Givens, Jennifer Jarvis, Susan Kurtzman, Gina Smith and Airika Freeman, ESL Tutor.

Donations were accepted from Carl McDonald, \$125, Camstrong Fund; Lori Day, \$50, Camstrong Fund; Jeff and Dianna Studer, 50 Books for Stingel Elementary; and Eric Grove Memorial Donations, \$2,505, Ontario Athletics.

Student handbooks for the 2022-'23 were approved for Stingel Elementary School and Stingel Preschool.

OhioHealth-Mansfield will provide physicals for bus drivers for the 2022-'23 school year.

The board approved employment for temporary substitute teachers for next school year. These include Nathalia Spade, all buildings; Loretta Vogt, Ontario Middle School/Ontario High School (Fridays only); Cathleen Hubbard, Ontario Middle School/Ontario High School; and Shelby Fife, Stingel Elementary.

Employment was granted to extracurricular/supplemental personnel for the 2021-'22 school year including Jeremy Bolen, volunteer high school track coach, \$0; and Evan Booker, volunteer boys tennis coach, \$0.

Natalie Sayre was hired as head volleyball coach for next school year, \$5,108

Courtney Stauffer, custodian; Nathalia Spade, secretary/secretary aide; and Cathleen Hubbard, secretary/secretary aide, were hired for the current school year.

A FCCLA State Leadership Conference Overnight Field Trip was approved for April 28 and 29.

Revised board policies were approved for weapons and use of credit cards. Facility requests were also approved.

The board entered into executive session to prepare for bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensation and other terms and conditions for employment. No action followed.

The next regular meeting will be held on May 10, at 7 pm, in the Ontario High School Library.

Local families needed for high school exchange students

As international travel returns to normal, high school students from around the world eagerly await their opportunity to participate in an exchange program in the United States.

International Student Exchange (ISE), a 501c3 nonprofit organization that facilitates exchange programs for students in the U.S. and abroad, is currently seeking volunteer families in the area to host students while they attend local high schools.

ISE host families come from all walks of life, and represent the diversity of America. The most crucial host family characteristic is that they are willing to treat the exchange student like a member of the family, not a guest.

Beyond this, host families must be vetted by ISE, pass a background check, provide room and board, three meals a

day, and exercise parental responsibility to ensure the student's well-being.

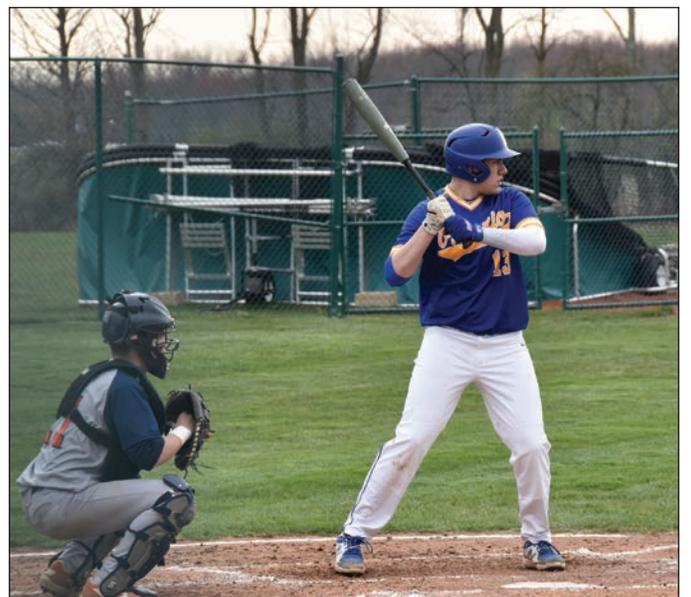
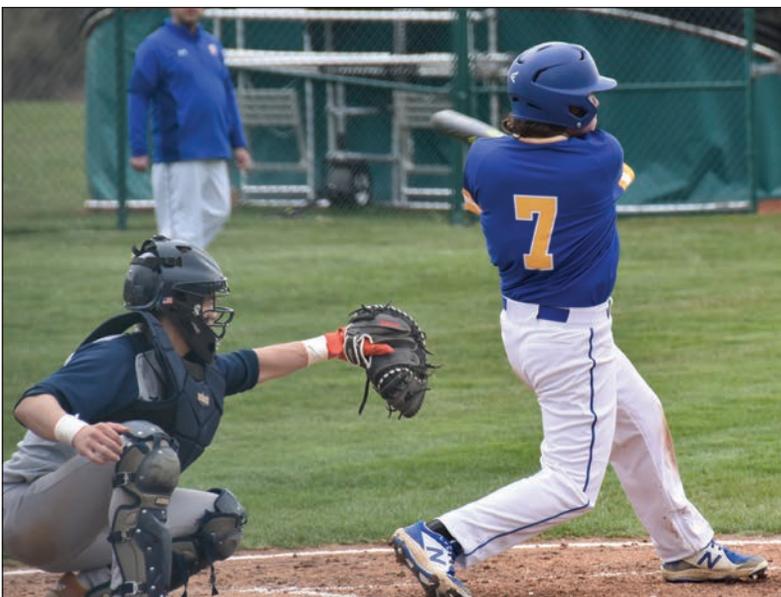
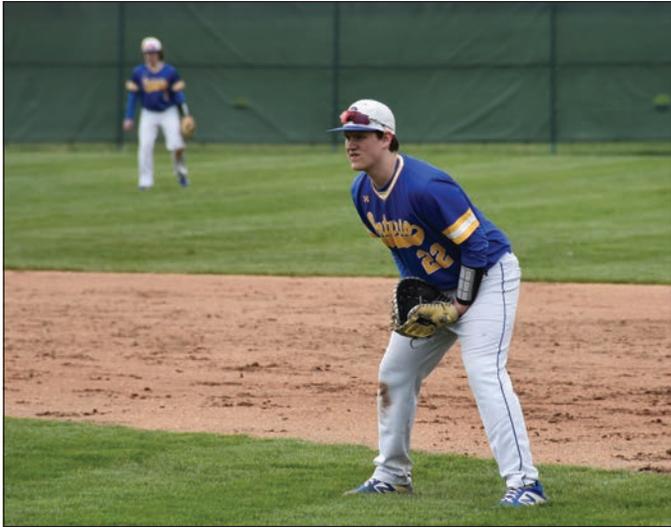
ISE exchange students are 15-18 year old high school students from over 40 countries around the world. They are accepted into the program based on their ability to speak English, demeanor, adaptability, and eagerness to learn about a new culture while sharing their own. They come with their own health insurance and spending money.

There are currently several students awaiting a volunteer host family in and around Richland County.

To learn more about this opportunity or submit a host family application, contact Craig McKenzie, at 419-934-5028, or visit rivervalley.iseusa.org

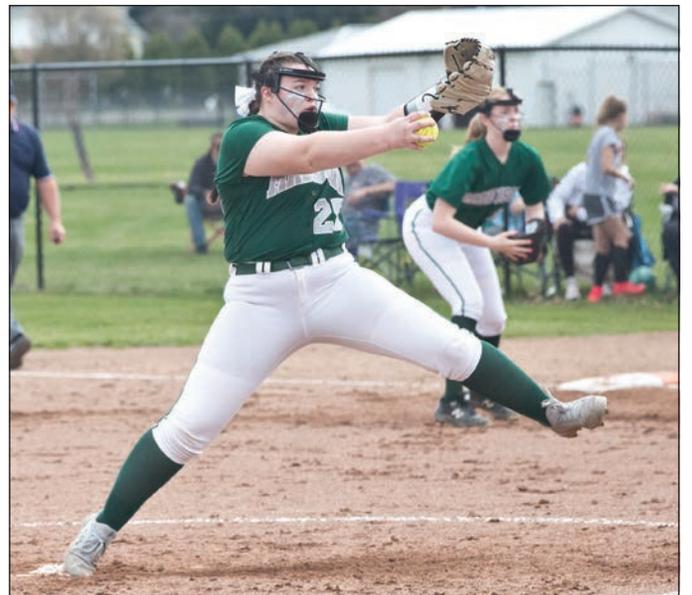
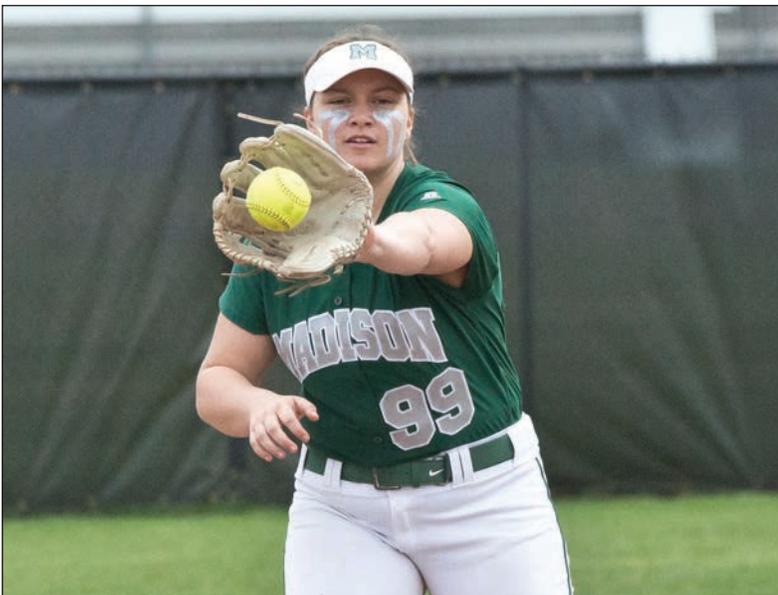
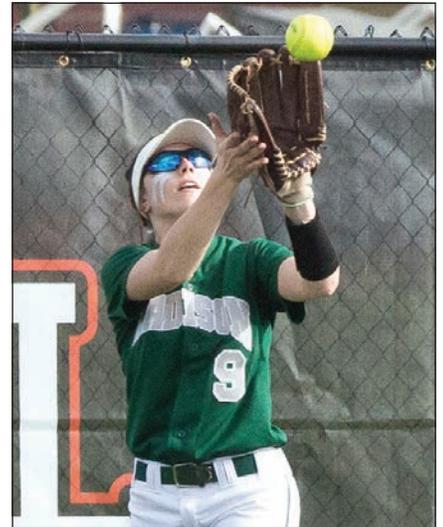
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MCS trio earn state and national swim honors

Three members of the Trumpower family were honored at a banquet hosted by Ohio Swimming, Inc., on Sunday, April 10.

The event took place at the Manor House Event Center and included over 100 athletes.

Those in attendance were entertained by special guest speaker Coleman Stewart, formerly of NC State University. Stewart is a 2 x NCAA champion, 22 x All-American, American record holder, and current World record holder in the 100 Backstroke (SCM).

Grantham, 14, was recognized

for his second place finish in the Ohio Virtual Distance Challenge. During the 2021-'22 season, he also competed for Team Ohio in Indianapolis and served as flag bearer in the opening ceremony of the Mid States All Star Championship.

Grantham was honored to stand next to Olympic Gold Medalist and World record holder Lilly King as she held the American flag during the playing of the "National Anthem."

At the 2022 Ohio Junior Olympic Championship meet, he was a finalist in the 100 Free-

style (10th).

Grantham sums up his season, "Well I had high expectations for the JO meet because my regular season took some time to get to where I wanted to be."

"I decided not to do seven events so I could focus on five of my favorites and also do four relays and just try to enjoy the experience. During the 100 free I did not hear the start because the crowd was so loud. But I knew that God would not leave me, and He didn't. I ended up still posting a best time."

LEXINGTON ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS

The Lexington High School baseball team picked up a win 10-0 win defeating Mansfield Senior. Cole P threw a no hitter.

Lexington softball has a great start, going 7-1 overall. Kylie G. threw a no hitter. Jillian B. hit homeruns in each of the first four games of the year.

Boys' tennis is ranked #1 in the Northwest District Ohio Tennis Coaches Association.

They've had impressive wins over Maumee, Walsh Jesuit and Jackson High School.

Tonight they are at New Alba The 48th Lexington Track Invitational was cancelled due to snow, rain and sleet, but the track teams have still experienced quite a bit of success.

The boys placed third at the Edison Invite, and also placed fourth at the Elks Invitational earlier in the year.

The girls won the Edison Invite, and placed second at Bucyrus at the 28th Elks Track Invitational.

Olympics return to Madison Schools

The torch has been lit again for the Madison Olympics.

Third and fourth graders from Mifflin, South, Eastview, and the fifth graders will compete in the Olympics at the high school football field on May 12, at 6 pm.

Each building will be sending representatives for each event.

The events will be the 50 yard dash, 100 meter sprint, 400 meter, 4x100 relay, standing long jump, and 4K medicine ball throw. There will also be activities for those not participating.

Students will be learning about the events in their physical education classes and be practicing.

Once students have learned and had the opportunity to practice, there will be tryouts for each event. The top five girls and top five boys for each event will be competing May 12th

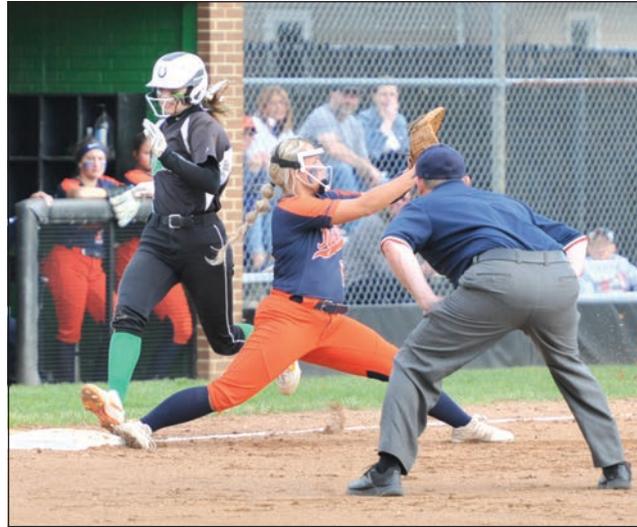
Admission into the Olympics will be any amount of money donation.



THE LEXINGTON GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD TEAM won the Edison Invitational with a score of 136.5 points. Fifteen team competed at the event.

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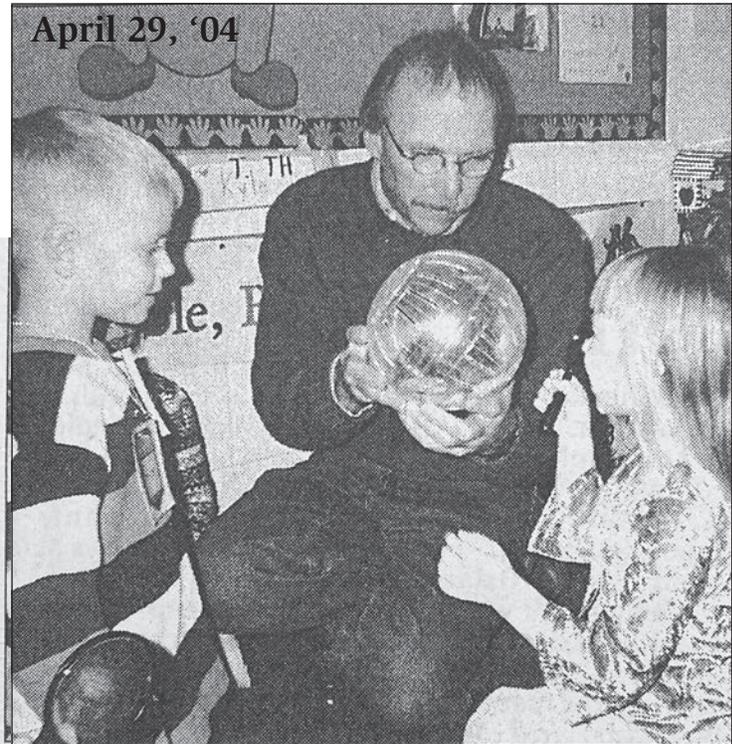
CELEBRATE DR. SUESS DAY – Tuesday-Thursday AM Pre-School at St. Mary School in Madison Township celebrated Dr. Suess day. Here class members proudly show off their "Cat in the Hat" hats with their teacher, Karen Godsil. In the photo from the left are Godsil, Tori Tennis, Kaitlyn Hunt, Talia Lucas, Abigail Adams, Aubrey Daugherty, Cameron Shifflet, Lauren Messner, Cal Rickert, Samantha Hall, Olivia Kegley, Zoey Osborne and Jaycob Stone.



Meet Citizens of the Month

THE MONTHLY WINNERS FOR MARCH in the ongoing Good Citizenship program at Bedford Elementary School are, front, Shaun Chirico, nine, a second grader, and Robin Manley, seven, a first grader; and back, Philip Weiland, 10 an; Ronda Boyd, nine, both fourth graders. They received assorted prizes, such as food certificates, for their achievement as Good Citizens of the Month. The primary pupils are holding a banner that is awarded to the Good Citizenship homeroom. March winners were the fourth grade homerooms of Miss Susan Hooker and the second grade homeroom of Mrs. Cindy Pullum.

Photo by Helen C. Graham



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VISITS SCHOOL – Steve McKee of the Gorman Nature Center paid a visit to Ontario Stingel Primary School recently. Here he is showing Ontario pre-schoolers Bryce Miller and Amy Williams a flying squirrel that Steve keeps in the transplant sphere. The sphere makes it possible for the squirrel to wander around the classroom without escaping.

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OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT

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.
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LEGAL NOTICE

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The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on April 20, 2022.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 22-26 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1145, GENERAL PROVISIONS, SECTION 1145.09-EXTERIOR LIGHTING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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Wreaths Across America's Mobile Education Exhibit National Tour will make stops in Ohio

Nonprofit Wreaths Across America (WAA) has announced its Mobile Education Exhibit's national tour will be arriving in Ohio this May thanks to support from Meijer.

"The goal of the Wreaths Across America Mobile Education Exhibit is to bring the community together and teach patriotism while remembering the service and sacrifice of our nation's heroes," said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America.

"This exhibit provides the opportunity for people to safely participate in something that is both educational and inspiring while supporting and giving back to the communities it visits."

The MEE achieves this goal by bringing the local community, veterans, active-duty military, and their families together through interactive exhibits, short films, and shared stories. The exhibit serves as a mobile museum, educating visitors about the service and sacrifice of our nation's heroes as well as serving as an official 'welcome home' station for our nation's Vietnam Veterans.

Some of the stops in Ohio will include:

Wooster — Saturday, May 7, at The Wooster-Wayne Daughters of the American Revolution. The exhibit will be open for tours at the Event Center located at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, 199 Vanover St., 10 am to 4 pm.

Springfield — Wednesday, May 11, at Lagonda Chapter, Daughters of the American Rev-

olution, 1311 W. Main St., from 9 am to 4 pm.

Dublin, Friday, May 13, at Schoedinger Dublin Funeral Home, 5980 Perimeter Dr., from 10 am to 4 pm.

Norwalk — Tuesday, May 24, at The Sally de Forest Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, 171 Milan Ave., from 10 am to 4 pm.

All veterans, active-duty military, their families, and the local community members are invited and encouraged to visit, take a tour, and speak with WAA representatives and volunteers. They can also share more about the national nonprofit, and the work its volunteers do to support our heroes and their communities year-round.

The WAA exhibit is always free and open to the public with social distancing, sanitation, and COVID-19 safety procedures in place to protect the health of all visitors in accordance with the CDCs recommendation for large gatherings.

Members of the media, dignitaries, veterans, and other interested groups are urged to come, ask questions, share stories, and experience this one-of-a-kind exhibit.

To host the MEE in your community, whether it be for a parade, a school-related or veterans' organization, or a public or private event, visit <https://wreathscrossamerica.org/mee> to make a request.

Sponsor a veteran's wreath anytime for \$15 at www.wreathscrossamerica.org. Each sponsorship goes toward a live, balsam wreath that will be placed

on the headstone of an American hero as we endeavor to honor all veterans laid to rest at noon on Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021, as part of National Wreaths across America Day.

For the full schedule visit www.wreathscrossamerica.org

Once continues performances

Once, the internationally acclaimed Oscar and Tony-winning musical, is coming to the Renaissance's Theatre 166 for six performances only, through May 1.

Its central story – simple, hilarious, heartbreaking yet ultimately empowering and optimistic – tells of a street busker, known only as Guy, who meets a young Czech immigrant, (Girl) on the streets of Dublin.

Though both are dealing with their own heartache and emotional brokenness, they discover the healing power of music.

Director Michael Thomas assembled a cast from all over the United States. Daniella Rukin, is a guest artist from Chicago.

Nikolas Demers is the assistant director.

Once will be performed at the Ren's Theatre 166, 166 Park Avenue West. Remaining performances are Friday and Saturday, 29 and 30 at 8 pm and Sunday, May 1, at 2:30 pm.

Due to the limited seating capacity in Theatre 166, shows often sell out quickly and therefore it is suggested that seats be reserved early.

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Clark tapped to join National Pregnancy Center organization

Richland Pregnancy Services Executive Director Amanda Clark has been tapped to join National Pregnancy Center Organization, Care Net, as their director of marketing and communications.

Clark, who has been the Executive Director of Richland Pregnancy Services (RPS) since May 2019, oversaw the organization's pandemic response, as well as a 29% growth in the annual budget in just three years.

Clark, who has previously served as Course Instructor for Care Net and Adjunct Professor of Business for North Central State College, earned her MBA from Mount Vernon Nazarene University. She has been working in nonprofit management for 10 years.

Commenting on her transition to Care Net, Clark stated, "I love this ministry, and although the Lord has blessed me to serve pregnancy centers at the national level now through Care Net, please know that I will continue to be the biggest cheerleader for this ministry. I will be on the search committee for whoever the man or woman of God is called to fill the role as executive director, and I will be an advisor/mentor for the new ED. We have some projects still in the works, and I rest knowing that God who has begun these good works will carry them to completion, and He will continue to provide!"

RPS Board President, Clint Saiben, responded to Clark's transition to Care Net. "We consider this an honor to send her to the national stage to assist over 1,100 pregnancy centers nationwide. We know those centers will benefit from her counsel and save more lives for the Kingdom." Saiben's board tenure began during Clark's hiring process and said that she will remain an important part of the transition team, as well as have a role in the search committee for a new executive director.

"What excites us even more is that the staff and leadership here have been recognized as a model of how all Pregnancy Services should operate nationwide. Congratulations to the team for this well-deserved recognition. The ministry has been healthy under Amanda's leadership so we are thankful she will still be connected to us in her new position. She will also be part of the search team for a new director as well as consultant for the new director and without a doubt constant cheerleader."

For information about the criteria for the role of executive director of Richland Pregnancy Services, visit friendsofrichlandpregnancy.com

Richland Pregnancy Services is a faith based 501(c)3 non-profit organization. For more information call 419-522-8863, ext. 203 or email amy@richlandpregnancy.com

Richland SWCD promotes Soil and Water Stewardship Week

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD), in partnership with the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD), is celebrating the 67th Annual Stewardship Week from April 24-May 1. This year's Stewardship Week theme is "Healthy Soil, Healthy Life."

The Richland SWCD was formed to assist the people of Richland County with implementing conservation programs and promoting efforts that protect and improve natural resources.

To celebrate Stewardship Week, Richland SWCD will host a Native Plant Workshop and Sale Tuesday, May 3 at the Richland County Fairgrounds Nature Park located at 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield. The free workshop is from 3-4 pm and the sale is from 4-6 pm.

Richland SWCD is a vital resource to those interested in expanding awareness surrounding types of soil native to the local area and provide critical information related to soil care, maintenance, best health practices, and erosion protection.

For more information on the workshop and sale call 419-747-8685 visit <https://richlandswcd.net/> or email Contact@Richlandswcd.net

This year's Stewardship Week resources celebrating "Healthy Soil, Healthy Life" are available for free download on the NACD Stewardship Week website.



Photo by Petty Officer 3rd Class Henry Liu USS Frank Cable (AS 40)
PERTH, AUSTRALIA — Senior Chief Personnel Specialist Brian Kentosh, from Mansfield, assigned to the Emory S. Land-class submarine tender USS Frank Cable (AS 40), explains the ship's diving capabilities to local distinguished visitors during a tour of the ship at HMAS Stirling Navy Base, April 20. Cable is on patrol conducting expeditionary maintenance and logistics in support of national security in the U.S. 7th Fleet area of operations.

Alzheimer's Association partners with Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians for brain health event

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter is partnering with Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians (COPCP) for an education program about ways people can adopt healthy lifestyles to lower dementia risk.

The program, called Healthy Brain and Body/Eating for a Healthy Mind will present how lifestyle choices may keep your brain and body healthy as you age. The free virtual education program will be at 10:30 am on Tuesday, May 3.

Pre-registration is required so that the Zoom link to join can be emailed to you. To register, call the Alzheimer's Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900.

Dr. Amit Bhojraj, who is the Medical Director of the Central Ohio Primary Care Physicians' Memory Assessment Center, said, "When I am working with geriatric patients through the memory assessment process, one of their most frequent follow-up questions surround the type of diet they should be following. I am looking forward to partnering with the Alzheimer's Association to discuss ways to increase maintaining a healthy brain and diet program."

Dr. Bhojraj developed COPCP's Memory Assessment Center in 2020. Pam Myers, Program Director for the Alzheimer's Association Central Ohio Chapter, said, she was excited to be working with Dr. Bhojraj and COPCP on this program. "We, too, get a lot of questions from our constituents about what diet regime they should follow, so this information will be so helpful," she said.

Alzheimer's is a progressive, fatal brain disease that kills nerve cells and tissues in the brain, affecting an individual's ability to remember, think, plan, speak, walk. In Ohio, 220,000 individuals ages 65 and older are living with Alzheimer's.

Republicans will host luncheon

The Richland County Republican Party will host its First Monday Luncheon on Monday, May 2, 11:45 am to 1 pm. The lunch will be held at The Kobacker Room, DLX Events and Catering, 28 N. Main St., in downtown Mansfield.

Guest speakers will be the Richland County Commissioners, presenting their annual Richland County By the Numbers update.

RSVP to 419-528-8223 or rcogop@gmail.com to reserve seats and optional lunches (\$10).

The Richland County Republican Party Victory Center is open. Volunteers will be staffing the victory center Wednesdays 12-6 pm and Saturdays 11 am to 1 pm. The center has yard signs, literature from candidates and more. Visit the center at 1680 Nussbaum Pkwy., Mansfield.