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Photo By Sue Hoffer

RCCS and Lions Clubs join together for Valentine's Day card collection

Richland County Children Services (RCCS) and the Lions Clubs of Richland County will show foster youths love with Valentine's Day cards.

The Lions Clubs in Richland County including Mansfield United, Madison Township, Shelby United, Bellville, Butler, Butler Lioness, Ontario Lions and RCCS will be collecting Valentine's cards for children in foster care. Cards can be handmade, or store-bought and will be accepted through Feb. 3.

"This is a wonderful collaboration with the Lions Clubs of Richland County. The Valentine's Day card project gives the community an opportunity to show children in foster care that they are loved, appreciated and not alone," said Brigitte Coles, Richland County Children Services Community Engagement Specialist.

The community is invited to drop off or mail cards to Richland County Children Services, 731 Scholl Rd., Mansfield, OH, 44906 or the Mansfield Parks & Recreation Department, 100 Brinkerhoff Ave., Mansfield, Ohio, 44906, C/O Valentine's Day Cards.

"Lions meet the needs of local communities and the world. The 1.4 million members of our volunteer organization in over 200 countries and geographic areas are different in many ways, but share a core belief - Community is what we make it," said Lion Jeff Burns, secretary of the Madison Township Lions Club and chair of the Richland County zone, which is made up of Mansfield United Lions, Madison Township Lions, Shelby United Lions, Butler Lions, Butler Lioness, Bellville Lions and Ontario Lions.

Richland County Children Services (RCCS) mission is to lead the community in assuring the safety, well-being, and permanency of children at risk of abuse and neglect.

RCCS encourages all individuals to invest in the lives of children and to provide them with unconditional love, support, guidance, and every available resource to ensure their health and well-being.

Those interested in becoming a foster parent can contact Richland County Children Services at 419-774-4100 or go to richlandcounty-childrenservices.org.

For more information about the card project can contact Brigitte Coles at 419-774-4168 or brigitte.coles@jfs.ohio.gov.

Madison Board names Wigton as board president

The Madison Local Board of Education held an organizational meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 4, at Madison Middle School.

The meeting was called to order by Tim Wigton, president pro-tem.

Tim Wigton was named board president for 2023 and Amy Walker was chosen as vice president.

Yearly procedures approved as presented included the authorization of the superintendent to make offers of employment directly to candidates for either teaching or non-teaching positions on behalf of the board, and to acknowledge acceptance of such offers on behalf of the board. The employment will be deemed effective as of the date and time of the employee's acceptance of the superintendent's offer.

The Superintendent will be authorized to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when the board is not in session, subject to ratification by the board. Such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the superintendent's acceptance.

The superintendent will be able to employ substitute and temporary (certified & non-certified) personnel (including home tutors) as needed for emergency situations. Such employment will be presented for approval by the board at its next meeting.

Board members established a Board Service Fund at \$20,000 and voted to authorize the superintendent to apply for special grants and titles, and to act as the purchasing agent for the district.

The Administration will be permitted to apply for, receive funds for and participate in all Federal and State Programs as deemed necessary.

The board voted to continue participation in the Federal Lunch and Breakfast Programs for the calendar year 2023.

The superintendent will attend all meetings necessary to the operations of the school district and expenses are to be reimbursed to the superintendent.

The treasurer will attend all meetings necessary to the operations of the school district with expenses reimbursed.

The board authorized the treasurer to pay all bills as presented, provided there are sufficient funds and purchase orders have been properly issued. A monthly report will be presented to the board. The treasurer can request advance tax money from the county auditor as funds are available and payable to the school district.

The treasurer can invest inactive funds and pro-rate interest to those accounts as deemed necessary by the treasurer.

The board president, treasurer and superintendent were named as the district's record commission which will meet 30 minutes prior to the August regular monthly meeting.

The superintendent is authorized to approve professional meeting attendance and expenses as deemed appropriate during 2023 in accordance with the negotiated agreement.

The board approved the firms of Renwick, Welsh & Burton; Pepple & Waggoner; Bricker & Eckler; and Tarkowsky & Piper Co., LPA for legal services on as-needed basis for calendar year 2023.

The treasurer and executive secretary will attend public records training in place of newly elected board members.

The board designated the *News Journal* as the official paper of notification for the school.

The Superintendent and/or his designee will be the Title IX Coordinator.

The Director of Federal Programs was appointed as the "504 Coordinator" for 2023.

Meeting compensation will be continued at \$125, as previously approved.

Wildcat Banks ruined Richland economy

By Bob Carter

After the lands we know now as Richland County were opened in 1808 for sale and settlement during "The New Purchase," the earliest settlers and Indians conducted business on the barter system. Goods were exchanged or traded for labor or material.

Eastern sound cash money was most often expended buying land from the government. Wheat was ground into flour with mills extracting their toll or share for grinding. Corn was converted into whiskey and those two crops were readily salable to eastern markets. The problem was getting them there. Local hard cash was scarce.

There was a critical need for local banks and currency in this area. The German Bank of Wooster was the first institution granted a State Charter by the Ohio Assembly on Aug. 21, 1816.

Then followed the Owl Creek Bank of Mt. Vernon. The Bank of Mansfield, with which they had close ties, opened Dec. 1, 1816. All three printed large amounts of their own paper currency.

When the Mansfield bank opened, there were still two Indian reservations in Richland County: Greentown and Jeromestown.

John Garrison was president of the Mansfield bank. He came to Ohio in 1811 and opened a trading post in Sandusky Bay. Indian troubles forced him to move south to Fredericktown.

After the War of 1812, he opened a business in Mansfield and bought 1,000 acres of land and built a gristmill in the town he named Edwinburgh, later known as Millsboro. It was located in the beautiful valley on Mill-sboro Rd. just west of the Lexington-Springmill intersection.

Both Mansfield and the German Bank of Wooster issued large amounts of paper money but the following panic of 1818 forced the German Bank to close on March 18, 1818. The bank had made large loans to the Mansfield bank to shore-up its rapidly depleting currency, but the Mansfield bank only lasted six months before it also was forced to close, leaving many shop keepers, business men and ordinary citizens holding worthless paper money.

The failure of all three banks totally wrecked the local economy. At one time, the critical shortage of sound cash forced the Richland County Treasurer to announce that he would accept produce for payment of taxes! Can one imagine paying real estate taxes with a barrel of whiskey, flour, salt pork or butter? Other farm produce was also acceptable.

The recession forced most business transactions back to the barter system. There was little market for local produce as the cash market with sound money was in the east. Wagons loaded with these food stuffs made the nearly week-long trip to Sandusky or Huron, where sailing ships crossed Lake Erie to Buffalo and the Erie Canal, to those markets.

John Garrison, President of the Mansfield bank, signed every note printed as did the treasurer, Wilson Elliot. The bank failure brought Garrison to record the following:

"With many others I went into the banking business and was interested in the Owl Creek and Mansfield banks. My experience in the banking business was most disastrous, for in consequence of the passage of an act by the legislature, we all went down together, and in one year I saw the earnings of my life, the fruits of the years of toil and deprivation, swept away. As I was President of the Mansfield bank, I was called upon in every direction. I paid all my private debts, gave up the residue of my property and went to Detroit. We had in money and provisions sixty dollars"

In passing years, Garrison would recover in Norwalk and later was a major stockholder in the new Sandusky, Mansfield and New-ark Railroad.



Photo Courtesy of Timothy Brian McKee

The Mansfield Bank issued notes for one, three, five and ten dollar values.

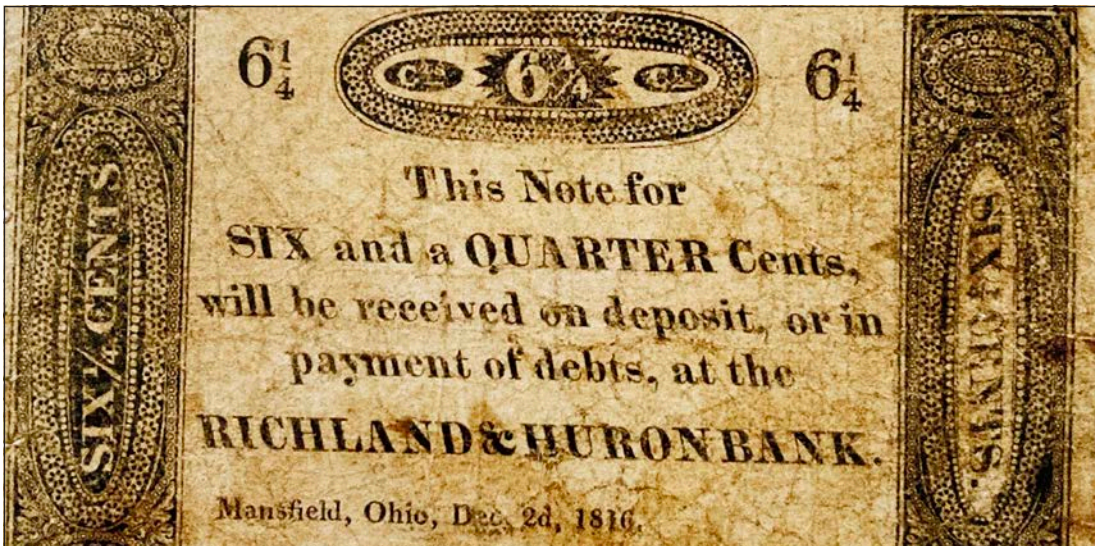


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Fractional notes were issued for 6 ¼, 12 ½, 25 and fifty cents.

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News Briefs

The Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Richland County will hold its monthly Board meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 5:30 pm at 87 E. First St., Mansfield. For additional information call the Board office at 419-774-5811.

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Due to the resignation of Jim Hairston effective Jan. 1, a vacancy has occurred for the treasurer position for the City of Ontario

Potential candidates must be a registered voter in the City of Ontario and affiliated with the Republican Party. Consideration of qualified non-partisan electors will also be accepted.

Submit a letter of interest and resume to Zoi Romanchuk at zoi@prmachineworks.com by Jan. 27, 2023.

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A silent auction and 50/50 cancer benefit will be held for Kevin Wichterman Jan. 21 at the Richland County Fairgrounds Youth Hall.

Doors open at 4 pm and cost is \$15 per person which includes the meal catered by Wicky's Smokin' BBQ and live music by Reckless Highway. All proceeds will go to Kevin and his family to help with health care expenses during his battle with cancer.

For information call Brendon Wichterman at 419-964-3464.

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The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education will hold its regular January organizational and regular board of education meeting at 7 pm, Wednesday, Jan. 11 in the Pioneer Board of Education Conference Room.

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A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Jan. 28 and 29. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, broken down cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

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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. The meal on Jan. 18, will include roast pork and kraut. Guest speaker is Deb Brown from the Hospice What Goes 'Round Thrift Shop.

Cost is \$15 for the meal. Guests are welcome. For information visit www.lexasc.org. Dues are \$10 per year.

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All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Christopher Reynolds on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 10:30 am. He will speak on "You Are Not Alone in This Darkness: The Importance of Sharing Winter Dreamwork."

For more information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

Join Chris Reynolds for songs, stories and strategies on how we can honor the dreams of the children, the elderly, adolescents, adults, elders, all persons. He will speak about his experience of sharing dreams with others working for democracy on the planet in Scotland, Ireland, UK, Wales and Canada.

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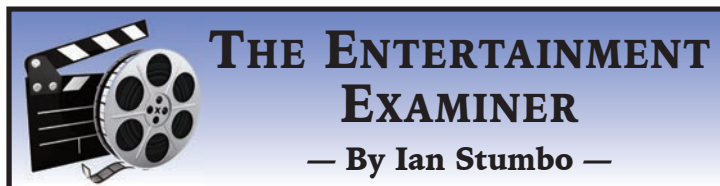
A survey is available for the reimagining of the current municipal parking lot located at 4th and Main (across from Richland Carrousel Park) in downtown Mansfield. The survey is open to all Richland County residents and will take approximately seven minutes to complete. All respondents will remain anonymous.

The survey is available at www.tinyurl.com/R3MansfieldSurvey

The purpose of the survey is to act as one tool that will help inform Mansfield public and private sector leaders on the needs and desires of the community with the goal of steering downtown development to meet the needs of Mansfield residents and the wider Richland County community.

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Usually, movie distributors release their critically acclaimed films at the end of the year and a group of bad films to start the year off. This year, Blumhouse decided to reverse that trend with *M3GAN*.

The company took the killer doll formula most would know from films like *Child's Play* and made it a little different and more character-based than just a slasher-a-minute formulaic horror film.

Allison Williams stars as Gemma, a toy inventor at Funki toys (sound familiar) who suddenly is awarded custody of her orphaned niece, Cady, (Violet McGraw). Cady would love a new toy to play with, so her aunt constructs the perfect doll. A human-like android named Megan (or M3GAN) who can learn and play and do just about anything.

She becomes a terrific companion to Cady until M3GAN's programming takes her on a much more violent direction.

Produced by James Wan who has helmed the terrific *Conjuring* franchise, this movie really becomes much more of a family story than a killer doll film and that is welcome.

Gemma is a workaholic and married to her job and it takes a lot of herself to raise her niece.

The kills in this movie are very unique and effective. The writers and creators have crafted a terrific looking doll in M3GAN who is equal parts creepy

and kind.

Sure, there are things to nitpick about this movie and some of the elements are rather obvious and nothing really surprises the audience though as far as January horror movies go, *M3GAN* is a fun time and definitely makes a case for a new horror franchise.



Miller sworn-in to first term as State Representative of 67th Ohio House District

State Rep. Melanie Miller (R-City of Ashland) was sworn-in on Tuesday, Jan. 3, to her first term as the state representative for the 67th Ohio House District, which includes all of Ashland County and the western portion of Medina County.

"The support I have received from family, friends and neighbors has been overwhelming since being elected back in November to represent this great district," Miller said.

"I'm appreciative of you all, and I pledge to work to ensure we make our district and state a better place to live, work and raise a family."

Rep. Miller currently serves as the executive director of the Ashland Pregnancy Care Center, an organization that provides compassionate care and life-affirming options to women in the greater-Ashland County area who are facing unexpected pregnancies.

Representative Miller has a Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Digital Media & Film from Cleveland State University.

A recipient of the Ashland County Women of Achievement Award and a graduate of the Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Ashland program, Rep. Miller is also a member of the Northern Medina County Chamber Alliance.

The swearing-in ceremony of legislators marks the beginning of the 135th General Assembly.

State Representative Melanie Miller is currently serving her first term in the Ohio House of Representatives, after being elected this past year.

She represents the 67th House District, which includes all of Ashland County and the western portion of Medina County.

Library announces launch of new Adult Literacy Program

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (MRCPL) has launched a new Adult Literacy Program. This program will provide free tutoring services to residents of Richland County ages 18 and over with low literacy skills.

The Adult Literacy Program will match trained volunteer tutors with learners who desire to improve their basic reading ability and

open the door to skills such as obtaining a GED/high school diploma, searching and applying for jobs, using email, and reading allowed to others.

The library is currently accepting adult literacy volunteers. Literacy volunteers need to be at least 18 years old, willing to undergo a background check, must commit to at least one ten-week session at the Library, consisting of one-hour weekly lessons, and be trained in the necessary tutoring skills and methods.

For more information about becoming a student or a volunteer in the Adult Literacy Program at MRCPL, please call Steve Russell, Workforce Development Coordinator, at 419-521-4721 or go to the Adult Literacy webpage on mrcpl.org.



ONE-ON-ONE tutoring sessions are available at the Mansfield Richland County Public Library.

Brick Fest Live is coming this weekend

Brick Fest Live is coming to Columbus Jan. 14 and 15.

The event will be held at the Greater Columbus Convention Center and will feature over a million bricks on display and ready for play, life-size models and hard-to-find LEGO merchandise.

Special displays and activities will include a glow zone, Minecraft zone, graffiti wall, mosaic gallery, derby races and a floor mural.

The show hours are 9 am to 5 pm Saturday and 10 am to 4 pm on Sunday.

VIP tickets are also available and include an event-exclusive build, VIP badge and collectible event pin. Tickets range from \$16.99 to \$34.99. For information or to purchase tickets visit <https://www.brickfestlive.com/bfl-2022-2023>

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
Sunday Evening 6 pm Home Groups
Monday Men's Group 7:30 pm
Wednesday evenings: 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting
6:30-8 pm TeamKID and Youth Group
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study 6:30-8 pm

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>

First English Lutheran Church

53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield
419-522-0662 • www.felc-mansfield.org
Pastor Miguel Acosta
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship
Tuesday Bible Study 1 pm (East entrance)

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>

Mansfield 1st EPC

399 Trimble Rd., Mansfield
419-756-7066 • www.mansfield1st.com
Rev. Joseph Yerger
9 am Adult & Youth Sunday School
10 am Sunday Worship

Oakland Lutheran Church

2045 Olivesburg Rd.
419-571-9920
Pastor Paul Lintern
9 am Sunday Worship

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 • ontarioumc.com
Pastor Christine Bell
10:15 am Sunday Worship
10:15 am Kingdom Kids

Southside Christian Church Disciples of Christ

2055 Middle-Bellville, Mansfield
Streamed on Paul Lintern Facebook Page
Sunday 10:45 am
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St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison) 419-589-2114 • www.mansfieldstmarys.org
Father John Miller
Worship: 4 pm Saturday & 11 am Sunday
5:30 pm Tuesday Worship
8 am Friday Worship • Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

St. John's United Church of Christ

68 Park Avenue East, Mansfield
419-522-2813 • www.stjohnsmansfield.org
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Richland Academy will host annual father-daughter ball

Tickets for Richland Academy of the Arts' annual father-daughter ball are on sale now.

The Midwinter's Night Dream Ball will be held at the academy on Jan. 21. Doors will open at 6 pm for hors d'oeuvres. A photographer will snap a photo of each fairy princess and her king.

Each party guest will be announced into the dining hall for a celebratory feast at 6:30 pm catered by Exclusively Yours Catering.

After dinner, guests will be invited to the candy shoppe where they can fill a bag of goodies to take home. Princesses will then visit the fairy make-up room for some extra sparkle.

As the night continues, guests will be invited to the royal ballroom. Beautifully adorned slippers designed by dance company members will be available to bid on throughout the night. The winners will be announced at the end of the evening.

To purchase tickets or for more information call Richland Academy of the Arts at 419-522-8225. The academy is located at the corner of 4th and Walnut St., Mansfield.

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Winter Reading Program runs now through Jan. 28

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (MRCPL) invites the community to participate in the annual Winter Reading Program. The 2023 program theme is "Curl Up with a Good Book," and patrons can participate from January 3-28.

The Winter Reading Program is available for all ages and encourages reading by offering fun prizes for children, teens, and adults. Read a book, complete a ticket, and submit the ticket to be entered into one of many prize drawings.

Tickets are available at all nine MRCPL library locations, and at any Bookmobile stop, in addition to an online submission option through the library's website at www.mrcpl.org.

Follow MRCPL on Facebook during the program for additional chances to win.

This winter, MRCPL continues to offer curbside service, an ideal option for picking up library materials that have been put on hold without leaving the warmth or your vehicle.

For 24/7 digital resources, library hours, and information regarding the Winter Reading Program, go to mrcpl.org.

Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

- Christopher Wilson, Dec. 27
- Kegan Gemzer, Dec. 29
- Mary Catherin Stickney, Dec. 29
- Nellie Beatrice Davis, Jan. 2
- Barbara Walker Phipps, Jan. 2
- William Hamner, Jan. 3
- David Lee Allen, Jan. 5
- Ruth Hughes, Jan. 5
- Robert Eugene Sherman, Jan. 6
- Judith "Judy" Anne Bishop, Jan. 8
- Charles Jeffrey Duniver, Jan. 8
- Helen L. Flynn, Jan. 8

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ONTARIO MIDDLE SCHOOL NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



6th grade: Leah Bonen and Trevor Breitinger



7th grade: Stella Durbin and Kooper Kilgore



8th grade: Natalie Smith and Ryan Kegley

Honor and Merit Rolls

Ontario Middle School

Second Quarter

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Sixth Grade — Sriram Akkina, Sabrina Bilyj, Leah Bonen, Haylee Breitinger, Trevor Breitinger, Jackson (Jack) Buttil, Aleiya Cantey, Vincent (Vince) Caudill, Noah Coley, Nicholas (Nick) Crawford, Bryce DeWees, Madelyn (Maddie) Egner, Callie Fagan, Emryn Fanello, Avi Featheringill, Alayna Foltz, Jace Hale, Parker Hale, Sophia Hamilton, Rylan Heston, Madelynn (Maddy) Hocker, Liam Holden, Ava Julian, Kairi Kearney, Alexander (Alex) Kern, Noah King, Christy Kline, Zachary LaCroix, Parker Laymon, Tianyi Liu, Taelix Lucanegro, Kileigh McClaren, Dana Messer, Reese Miller, Grace Mills, Alexander (Alex) Morabito, Nicholas (Nicky) Morabito, Braylee Morehead, Kendyll Mullins, Frank Nemeth, Sadie Neumann, Natalie Peace, Clayton Petty, Kasen Pittman, Keith Pollock, Emma Preuninger, Zane Reynolds, Otto Rietschlin, Olivia Sandwall, Alayna Secrist, Zoey Shaffer, Alexander (Alex) Simmering, Trevor Studer, Graham Thurber, Nguyen (Que) Tran, Mason Unger, Bella Viola, Carter Viola, Corbin Walter, Levi Walter, Emerson Weiler, Penelope (Penny) Wilging, Samantha (Sammy) Wilging and Zahrana Woods,

Seventh Grade — Myles Born, Ellie Dawson, Luke Genders, Jilyinn (Jily) Grayson, Briella Hall, Adelina Hines, Owen Hunt, Addysen Jacobson, Elise LeHew, Yuka Mori, Kamryn Pelphrey, Camila Perez-Archuleta, Atlee Price, Roxy Purvis, Kennedy Sapp, Daycee Schlotterer, Vaydie Schroeder, Kaelin Scott, Sofia (Sofi) Shields, Ella Them, Mason Wilkerson, Tanner Winningham, Ava Zehe and Leeah Ziegler

Eighth Grade — Ryleigh Ames, Emma Bell, Bryant Born, Kaylei Chandler, Braedayn Currier, Connor Dawson, Brennan Fields, Eliana Fittante, Lilly Gorrell, Eva Hadsell, Grace Horning, Jazlyn Johnson, Emerson Jovani, Daniel Lee, Yuchen Lin, Sydney McManes, Caden Meyers, Tatum Mottayaw, Skylie Salmons, Maja Seibel, Ava Spearman, Lin (Angel) Tan, Elton Toska, Owen Walter, William Wang, Braedon Watson, Timo Winningham, Mitchell Ye and Jordyn Yeager

HONOR ROLL

Sixth Grade — Elliot Bechstein, Landon Breitinger, Savannah Byler, De'Aadreon (De) Chatman, Alexa (Lexi) Conrad, Jalynn Craze, Jaxon (Jax) Craze, Gianna (Gia) Gfrer, Evan Gorrell, Leah Gorrell, Ava Guevara, Aiden Harley, Wyatt Herold, Paxton Jeffery, Kyleigh Kanouse, Madeline (Maddy) Kennedy, Aven Knapp, Ella Manns, Parker Metzger, Daniel Moritz, Jaria (Mia) Moton, Connor Myers, Gatlin O'Brian, Oliver Shaw, Oliver Shaw, Jacob Simms, Kaleb Sipes, Isabella (Bella) Sterner, Layla Van Harlingen, Gordon Wilkerson and Natalie Wonorski and Nathan Xiao

Seventh Grade — Ayden Adams-Thompson, Alayna Arter, Elias (Eli) Baumgard, Ally Bell, Ramos, Yvette Carrizal, Grace Click, Alexee Conkle, Grant Domyan, Stella (Gray) Durbin, Nadia Eberst, Anna Faith, Ava Farinacci, Maxwell (Max) Gfrer, Lillian Gray, Alexander (Alex) Hohman, Tra'von (Tra) Jackson, Colton Joseph, Lincoln Jovani, Aadilynne (Aadi) Kightlinger, Kooper Kilgore, Alexandra McAleer, Ryan Messer, Braxton Michalovich, Marisa Moffo, Carson Moritz, Ian Morrison, Jamarr Norris, Conner Perry, Norah Potter, Kolbe Ramion, Morgan Rose, Addison Smith, Garrett Smith, Alexis (Lexi) Them, Tyler Turnbaugh, Rylee Vandenberg, Zane VanTilburg, Henry Yugovich, Antony Zhu and Kevin Zickefoose

Eighth Grade — Alexander (Alex) Bilyj, Aaliyah Caldwell, Robert (Rob) Faith, Alexandria (Alex) Fender, Maia Fox, Logan Goldbach, Nolan Grider, Camryn Hanning, Abigail (Abby) Hart, Andrea Hart, Vincent (Vinny) Hocker, Brylie Ireland, Rylee Kegley, Braelyn Llewellyn, Madison Mabry, Isla Peachee, Gavin Reiver-Crew, Sophia Sandwall, Carson Smith, Saylor Smith, Kadynce Smithberger, Paxton (Pax) So, Piper Studer, Lauren Uhde, Paige Weiler and Madelyn (Mady) Yoha

MERIT ROLL

Sixth Grade — Aiden Armstrong, Mason Boyd, Wyatt Carpenter, Logan Chase, Jermetreis Cotton, Abigail (Abby) Crouch, Khymarion (Khy) Cunningham, Luke Fletcher, Raelynn Foster, Cory Garn, Robert (Robbie) Griefenstine, Connor Hutchison, Chassity Keaton, Sienna Kinniard, Mason Kiser, Joshua (Josh) Mabry, Hunter Miller, Olivia Moots, Cayden North, Taitum Owens, Autumn Porter, Gracie Roberts, Briar Samuels, Wade Schraedly, Logan SESCO, Peyton Smith, Mark (Andrew) Thomas, Conner Warfel and Carson Workman

Seventh Grade — Raegan Boughton, Max Cirola, Kihanna Clark,

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Honor and Merit Rolls

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Zane Curry, Ieyanna David, Daulton Dials, Miles Doehla, Owen Drexel, Noah Durfee, Aria Edgell, Izayah Hatcher, Desmond Hefner, Liam Hershberger, Matthew Jenkins, Caleb Kelly, Lillian (Lilly) Ladner, Talan Mathison, Amelia McCoy, Kylee Mcdaniel, Ahleeyah Miller, Katja Parsons, Tulsi Patel, Jack Rietschlin, Carlie Schnittke, Emily Simms, Maddix Smith, Kendall Thomas, Haiden Ulery, Gavin Wagner, Molly Weaver, Titus White, Parker Willis and Adriella Zickefoose

Eighth Grade — Jaxson Anderson, Christopher Bradford, Olivia Brinker, Brody Cheek, Lillian (Lily) Chitwood, Kenzey Conkle, Morgan Crubaugh, Lily Garn, Garrett Hagerman, Patrick Hart, Ha-leigh Hefner, Jaren Holden, Grace Holzmilller, Kiera Hughes, Kennedy Johnson, Molly Julian, Dane Kearns, Riley Krzeminski, Taylor Lambert, Myah Lynch, Ava Minnich, KayVion (KayVi) Norris, Grace North, Hem Patel, Ashton Pfeifer, Le (Phuong) Phan, Scarlet Rehberg, Anna Saltzgiver, Cooper Schroeder, Kaitlin (Katie) Seymour, of 8, Honor Set.; Isabella (Bella) Sorrenti, Alandria Thomas, Ashlynn Viers, Brayden Woods and Dakota Yunker



Agency brings joy to families with Sponsor-A-Family program

For a second year in a row, the Sponsor-A-Family program has brought joy to families in need. Employees of the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. purchased and collected clothing and toys for families that have faced financial emergencies caused by illness or other adversities beyond their control.

More than 75 employees participated this year and raised approximately \$1,600 in cash and gift cards. The employees adopted three families and donated new clothes, hygiene and cleaning items, diapers, household items, games, and toys to celebrate the season of giving.

"During the holiday season, financial hardships are felt throughout our communities. Our staff stepped up and positively impacted the lives of 13 individuals. Instead of worrying about making the choice of buying food or buying a simple Christmas gift, these families were able to find joy with the donated gifts from our Agency staff," said Michelle Deskins, Chief of Staff.

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc., located at 2131 Park Avenue West in Ontario, provides leadership, collaboration, coordination and services to older adults, people with disabilities, their caregivers & resource networks that support individual choice, independence and dignity.



KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER seniors Dustin Beckett, Aaron Mezie and Cam McMahon earned "BT Elite" status recently and received their hoodies and interview shirts. Thirty students from the Building Trades program have now earned "BT Elite" status since its inception.

Three KCCC students earn Building Trades Elite status

The Knox County Career Center Building Trades program recognized three students who earned the status of "Building Trades Elite."

"Building Trades Elite" (BT Elite) is a program generated by Colby Clippinger, KCCC Building Trades instructor, and the KCCC Building Trades Advisory Council that began in 2019-'20. The program's criteria centers around attendance, discipline, industry credentialing and extracurricular activities.

A point system is set up where students earn points for attendance, grades, industry credentialing, and extracurricular activities. Students can lose points for being tardy, absent, and for discipline issues. In order to earn "BT Elite" status, students must earn 250 points and must maintain 250 points or higher until graduation to keep the "BT Elite" status.

The "BT Elite" program is completely company-sponsored according to Clippinger.

Students who earn "BT Elite" status are awarded a hoodie and an interview shirt. The companies pay for the hoodies and interview shirts. The hoodie has the Building Trades Elite crest on the back along with the company sponsors. The student's name and "BT Elite" are on the front of the hoodie. The interview shirt has "BT Elite" and the student's name on the front.

Clippinger commented, "We appreciate the companies who have partnered with us on the "BT Elite" program. The "BT Elite" program creates a well-rounded and ready-to-hire student."

"The BT Elite program has had a profound impact on the students. It continually helps keep students accountable for themselves and they are now encouraging other students to attain the same level. This will only improve the quality of tradespeople entering into the workforce," added Clippinger.

KCCC & the Building Trades program would like to thank the companies who sponsor "BT Elite". Thank you to J & B Acoustical, Ohio Contractors Association, ProTech Basement Solutions, LiUNA! Local 1216, Kokosing, Corna Kokosing, Brennstuhl Construction, Modern Builders, Gray Mechanical, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Local 735 and Rietschlin Construction.

Students named to OWU Dean's List

Ohio Wesleyan University has announced its dean's list for fall semester 2022. To qualify for OWU Dean's List recognition, students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale in all applicable classes.

Local students earning the academic accolade include Cooper Christie, Callie Kampe, Jameson Myers, Ava Swanson and Zoe Swanson, all of Mansfield.

Area Agency on Aging 2023 Scholarship Program announced

The Area Agency on Aging Board of Trustees elected to provide three scholarship awards this year to individuals for higher education or certification programs benefiting the field of aging network.

Scholarship award amounts for the academic year 2023-'24 are one \$2,000 for a student attending a 4-year university; one \$1,000 for a student attending a 2-year college or technical school, center of education, or is pursuing a certification; and one \$1,000 for a student attending any type of higher institute of learning or certification and is a child, grandchild, or stepchild of an actively employed (full time or part-time) Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. staff member.

Applicants must be a high school graduate (graduated in 2022 or earlier or hold a GED) and reside in Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca or Wyandot counties.

Details about the Scholarship Program, eligibility requirements and the application, can be found on the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. website at <https://www.aaa5ohio.org/education/scholarship-program/>. The deadline for applications is March 17, 2023.

For more information, contact Susie Danuloff at the Area Agency on Aging at 567-247-7105 or sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org

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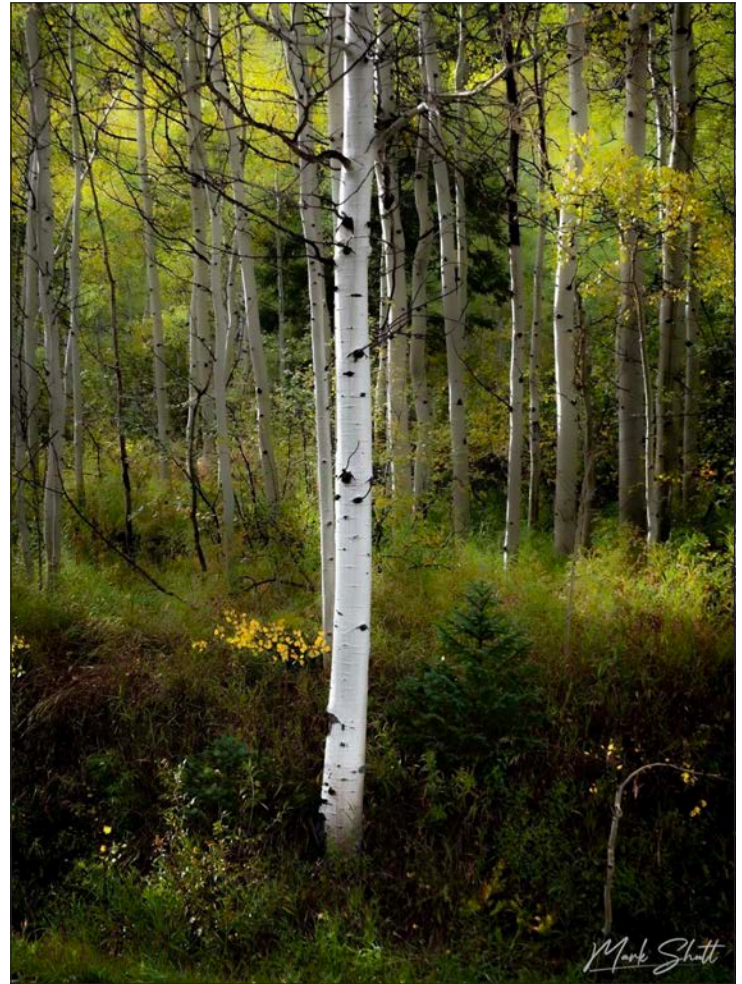



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JODI WENTZ'S Ontario High School speech class recently held a show and tell day. Students brought in a variety of items to share with classmates.

Bill to protect Second Amendment rights during emergencies

On Jan. 3, Governor DeWine signed SB 16, a bill into which SB 185 was amended in the waning hours of the 134th General Assembly.

Sponsored by Senator Tim Schaffer, SB 185 prevents state and local governments from infringing on Second Amendment rights and key hunting, fishing and trapping activities during declared emergencies. It is the most powerful and comprehensive emergency powers legislation of its kind in the United States.

"Ohio's four million gun owners now have strong protections against government overreach during emergencies," said Dean Rieck, executive director of Buckeye Firearms Association (BFA). "We have seen leaders in other states abuse their power by declaring an emergency and using that as an excuse to infringe Second Amendment rights.

"This comprehensive legislation does not confer any extra rights to gun owners. It simply protects existing rights at a moment when law-abiding citizens may need to exercise those rights."

BFA pioneered this legislation and worked with their partners, the NRA and National Shooting Sports Foundation, to assist Sen. Schaffer and companion bill sponsor Scott Wiggam to write the bill and line up overwhelming support in the House and Senate, with over 60 sponsors and co-sponsors.

"Opponents to SB 185 said that Ohio didn't need such laws because Ohio is a fairly gun-friendly state," continued Rieck. "They said, for the most part, the infringements the bill protects against have not yet happened in this state.

"But that's like arguing that you don't need a smoke detector because your house hasn't yet burned down. We've seen infringements in other states during declared emergencies, and we wanted to be proactive and guard against this happening here. Who knows what the political landscape of the future will look like? Who knows what future administrations may do?"

Passage of SB 185 marks the third of three high-priority bills BFA pushed to the finish line in 2022, the other two being SB 215 for Permitless Carry and HB 99 to exempt school personnel from 700+ hours of police training.

SB 185 declares that certain deadly weapons or firearms businesses and services are life sustaining "essential" businesses and services for the purposes of safety and security during an emergency.

It also provides that no state agency, political subdivision, elected or appointed official or employee of this state or any political subdivision, or agent of this state or of any political subdivision, board, commission, bureau, or other public body established under law may do any of the following during an emergency:

- Prohibit, regulate, or curtail the otherwise lawful possession, carrying, display, sale, transportation, transfer, defensive use, or other lawful use of any firearm, ammunition, ammunition-reloading equipment, or deadly weapon

- Require the registration of any firearm, ammunition or deadly weapon

- Seize, commandeer, or confiscate in any manner, any firearm, ammunition, ammunition-reloading equipment, or deadly weapon that is possessed, carried, displayed, sold, transferred, transported, stored, or used in connection with otherwise lawful conduct

- Suspend or revoke a valid concealed handgun license, except as expressly authorized by law

- Refuse to accept or process an application for a concealed handgun license or for renewal of a concealed handgun license, provided the application for the license or for the renewal has been properly completed and submitted

- Prohibit, suspend or limit the business operations of any entity engaged in the lawful selling or servicing of any firearm, ammunition, ammunition-reloading equipment, or deadly weapon

- Prohibit, suspend or limit the business operations of any indoor or outdoor shooting range or any entity engaged in providing deadly weapon or firearms training

- Place restrictions or quantity limitations on any entity regarding the lawful sale or servicing of any firearm, ammunition, ammunition-reloading equipment, or deadly weapon

- Suspend, restrict, or prohibit otherwise lawful hunting, fishing, or trapping activities or business entities conducting or directly facilitating lawful hunting, trapping, or fishing activities

The bill also provides that if a concealed handgun license is scheduled to expire during an emergency or 30 days prior to an emergency, the license is automatically extended throughout the duration of the emergency plus an additional 90 days.

The bill specifies that any person, group or entity adversely affected by any manner of law enacted or enforced in violation of the bill may file an action for damages, injunctive relief, declaratory relief or other appropriate redress.

HEAP available to helps Ohioans

Ohioans who need help with winter heating bills can contact the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP). HEAP benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after Jan. 1. Applications for the HEAP program must be received by May 31, 2023.

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

For 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 800-82-0880 (hearing impaired clients may dial 711 for assistance) or visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov.

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NAACP elects new officers

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Mansfield Unit #3190 held an election of officers on Saturday Nov. 19. Leonard Dillion was re-elected president and will serve in this capacity along with the other candidates until December 2025. Also elected were Dennis Baker, first vice president; Artise Anderson, second vice president; Carla James, secretary; Terri Winnick, assistant secretary; Antoinette Daley, treasurer; and Robert Westerfield, assistant treasurer.

In addition, Winston Greene, Betty Palmer-Harris, Ginger Long, Christa Harris and Anne Rhodes were selected to serve on the executive committee as at-large members.

At the annual December meeting, the general membership voted to approve goals for the unit. Bringing new members to the group was one of the paramount objectives identified by the members present. Developing programs to reach out to veterans as well as incarcerated individuals, aggressively engaging youth, "getting into good trouble" by being vocal on key issues in the community, expansion of the prison project and active participation in local government meetings and launching a new website are a few other key goals approved for the unit. The unit hopes to build on the successes that they have achieved during President Dillon's first term.

NAACP unit #3190 holds monthly membership meetings on the third Monday of each month, executive committee meetings are at 5:30 and general membership meetings are at 6:30 pm.

Community members interested in attending should check the units FB page here for information on the upcoming meetings. All community members are invited to come and see what this stalwart, interracial civil rights group is all about.

Renaissance Youth Opera Theatre Workshop Showcase is Jan. 28

Under the direction of Lori Turner, the Renaissance Theatre will present the Renaissance Youth Opera Theatre (RYOT) Workshop Showcase on Saturday, Jan. 28, at 7 pm.

The showcase will be presented as a stage-on-stage production at the Renaissance and is a part of the Mechanics Bank Education Series. General admission tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$5 for students, and are on sale now at the Renaissance Box Office, via phone, and online at rentickets.org.

Designed to focus on the individual performer, the workshop offers opportunities for young actors to work one-on-one and in small ensembles.

Offered as an opportunity for participation by students in second through twelfth grade, the workshop features performers in two age groups (second to sixth; and seventh to twelfth). This year's showcase features the talents of twenty students including Brooklyn Abbruzzese, Gage Anderson, Wyatt Bechstein, Steve Bechtol, Kara Bradley, Ellis Black, Lori Casto, Lillian Clapp, Isla Donley, Milo McDonald, Jackie Metz, Breckelle Miller, Saige Painley, Alyssa Racer, Elizabeth Rivers, Caroline Secrist, Alex Trolian, Sloane Walter, Halle Williams and Mackenzie Wynn.

For information contact Lori Turner at lori@mansfieldtickets.com.

Richland Academy of the Arts to offer new visual arts classes

Richland Academy of the Arts is excited to announce new visual arts classes will be offered for all ages. Instructors will be Autumn Cadle, Jacy Warrick and Ryan Failor.

Autumn Cadle earned a Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts with a minor in Graphic Design from Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Continuing her education, she graduated from Columbus College of Art and Design and received her Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts with a focus on Sculpture and Installation. Her work has been shown in several group exhibitions in Mansfield, Mount Vernon, Gambier, and Columbus, Ohio. She enjoys working with all ages from school aged to 60 years and older and teaches a variety of art classes beginning in January. These classes include Bubble Painting, Portraiture: Learning to Draw Faces, Ceramics for Kids, Figure Drawing, Adult Ceramics, and 60+ Ceramics, 60+ programming supported by the Area Agency on Aging.

Jacy Warrick is a graduate of the Savannah College of Art and Design with a Bachelor of Arts in Visual Communications. She found art therapy and fell in love with the idea to merge her passions and graduated with a Master of Art in Counseling and Art Therapy from Ursuline College in 2019. She has combined her passion for the arts and traveled to Peru to provide art therapy to a school for students with disabilities. She currently works in private practice as a therapist and continues to use art to help others heal. Warrick enjoys working with all ages and currently teaches 60+ Art Studio beginning in January and facilitates an outreach art program collaborating with Wedgewood Estates.

Ryan Failor began his artist life at Mansfield St. Peter's School studying with Frank Daniell and completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts in painting and drawing from the The Ohio State University in 2008. He returned to St. Peter's as a junior high and high school art teacher for four years and has also worked with students at the Mansfield Art Center. He believes everyone has artistic ability and enjoys sharing his passions teaching adults and teaches 60+ Alternate Mediums beginning in March.

There are classes for all ages from birth to 60+. Register online at www.richlandacademy.com or call 419-522-8224.

Richland Academy of The Arts offers a tuition assistance program and is an approved Ohio Department of Education Service Provider with the Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) Program. To find out more about the qualifications and benefits of these programs visit www.richlandacademy.com.

Richland Academy is located at the corner of 4th and Walnut St., Mansfield, and was founded in 1991 and is supported by the Ohio Arts Council.

Davis earns Employee Award of Excellence

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. recognized Leslie Davis as the recipient of the 2022 Employee Award of Excellence.

Davis has been a team member of the Agency since 2008. She plays an integral role in the Richland County Senior Services Levy program by facilitating and coordinating the services which Richland County older adults may receive.

She utilized her innovative leadership skills to develop eligibility tools used to screen individuals and determine enrollment into the Care Coordination program. This critical piece of the program's re-design enabled the Agency to evaluate client need to ensure good stewardship of levy funds.

During the pandemic, her positive mindset and problem-solving skills helped connect clients with services. Davis continues to help make the Care Coordination programs a success by serving as the initial point of a supportive contact for consumers and their families.

The Agency's Employee Award of Excellence has been given annually for 16 years. Its purpose is to recognize an employee who is nominated by the staff and has exemplified outstanding aspects of work culture and commitment to excellent service.

In 2021, Victoria Hicks and Julie Sipe were the recipients of the Agency's Employee Award of Excellence. They were honored for their customer service, innovation, and commitment to helping individuals throughout the agency's service area.

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Red Cross, Peyton Manning huddle up for a lifesaving play this January

This January, the American Red Cross and Pro Football Hall of Famer and blood donor Peyton Manning are asking people to score big for patients in need – while getting a chance to win a trip to Super Bowl LVII in Arizona – by giving blood or platelets.

The start of the new year marks National Blood Donor Month – a time to celebrate those who generously roll up a sleeve to keep blood products stocked for hospitals providing critical care. As the busy holiday season winds down and the threat of severe winter weather and seasonal illness cases continue to rise, January can be a tough time for donors to make and keep appointments.

To book a time to give, visit RedCrossBlood.org, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, or call 1-800-RED CROSS. In partnership with the National Football League (NFL), those who come to give blood, platelets or plasma Jan. 1–31, will be automatically entered to win a trip for two to Super Bowl LVII in Arizona*, including access to day-of, in-stadium pre-game activities, tickets to the official Super Bowl Experience, round-trip airfare to Phoenix, three-night hotel accommodations (Feb. 10–13), plus a \$500 gift card for expenses.

To lead the offense against a potential winter blood shortage, Manning invites the public to join him in helping save lives. “If everyone does their part and we collectively commit to donating blood, we can stack up more wins for hospital patients who are counting on us. A single individual is certainly impactful, but a whole team of people coming together to donate has an even greater effect.”

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 126 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 8 am to 1 pm, Shelby YMCA, 111 W. Smiley Rd., Shelby

Thursday, Jan. 12, 9 am to 2 pm, Resurrection Parish, 2600 Lexington Ave., Lexington; and 12–6 pm, Mosaic at Park Avenue Baptist Church, 296 Park Ave West; and noon to 6 pm, Mosaic at Park Avenue Baptist Church, 296 Park Ave West, Mansfield

Friday, Jan. 13, 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1–6 pm, OSU Mansfield/NC State, Eisenhower Center, 1760 University Dr., Mansfield

Wednesday, Jan. 18, 2–7 pm, Lexington High School, 103 Clever Ln., Lexington; and 12–6 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall

Friday, Jan. 20, 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 1–6 pm, Crossroads Church, 1188 Park Ave West, Mansfield

Wednesday, Jan. 25, 12–6 pm, Holiday Inn, 116 Park Avenue W., Mansfield; and 12–6 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Friday, Jan. 27, 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 12–5 pm, The Avenue Church, 1756 Park Avenue West, Mansfield

Monday, Jan. 30, 8 am to 2 pm, Clear Fork High School, 987 State Route 97, Bellville

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 9 am to 3 pm, Mechanics Bank downtown location, 2 S. Main St., Mansfield

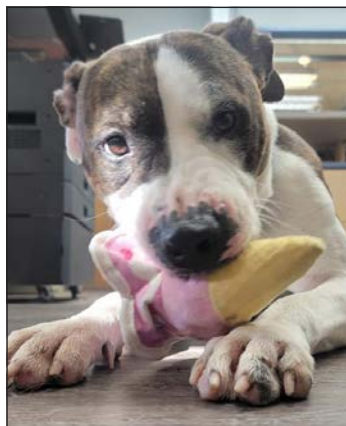
Special service planned for Sunday

The Mansfield Interdenominational Minister Alliance will be hosting the Annual Martin Luther King Program at Maddox Memorial Church, 1148 Walker Lake Rd. The program will begin at 4 pm on Sunday, Jan. 15.

The community choir will perform and Chaplain Dave Matos of Hospice of North Central Ohio will be the keynote speaker.

Several youth from the community will give tributes to Dr. King.

This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



Riot

Have you been thinking about shaking things up but aren't fully committed? Do you want to sound intense but prefer a more laid back lifestyle?

Meet Riot. This guy has a tough sounding name but he's a big softy. He acts like a meanie in his kennel but please use a gentle voice outside of it, his feelings are sensitive.

Riot has been here since July and hasn't had anyone look at him. Riot is best suited to be an only pet but he would happily be your sidekick for whatever shenanigans you have in mind, within reason, of course.

He knows sit, shake and lay down and is phenomenal on a leash. He is adorable and sweet! He loves toys and he is sure to keep you entertained. Riot is about 5 years old.

Riot is available at the Richland County Dog Shelter in Mansfield. Those interested in meeting him or any other dog can contact or visit the Richland County Dog Warden's Office & Shelter. Shelter hours are 11 am to 4:15 pm Monday–Friday and 10–2 on Saturday.

On Saturday, Jan. 14, volunteers will be hosting an after hours. The shelter will be open until 5 pm and volunteers will be available to assist in finding the perfect dog for visitors.

Currently, adoptions are \$150, which includes spay/neuter, microchip, dog license and some vaccines.

Current needs are volunteers to walk and play with the dogs, bleach, laundry detergent and dog treats.

Public Boating Course offered by Mansfield Power Squadron

Anyone new to boating and others who desire to further develop their boating and boating safety skills may attend the America's Boating Course (ABC).

The course is taught by a certified instructor of the Mansfield Power Squadron at the Madison Adult Career Center (MACC) in Madison Comprehensive High School, 600 Esley Ln., Mansfield.

The course is scheduled to begin on Tuesday, Jan. 24, from 6–8 pm. The class will continue each Tuesday for 9–10 weeks. Registration is made through MACC by calling 419-589-6363.

Classes can help reduce the risk of accidents and injuries, save on boat insurance and qualify for a state boat operator certificate. This in-person class allows boaters to seek answers to questions while gaining:

- knowledge of boating and boating safety. Topics include:
 - Boating laws (state and federal)
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 - Finding your way safely
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 - Anchoring, docking, knots and lines
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 - Communications
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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 www.usps.org/mansfield or call 419-975-9724 for more information about MPS, additional advanced boating courses, how to improve boating skills and knowledge or for a complimentary vessel safety check.

Visit www.usps.org and www.americasboatingclub to learn more about the United States Power Squadron/ America's Boating Club, the largest non-profit family boating organization in the United States.

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LOOKING BACK • THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



HIGH ALTITUDE WRESTLING -- Mike Atkeson of the Mansfield Christian Flames battles a pair of Lucas players for a rebound in Saturday's game. The Flames won handily in a 78-38 rout. Other Flames in the picture are Mark Wilging (24) and Jerry Cline (42). Atkeson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Atkeson of Rock Road, Ontario, contributed seven points to the Flames' win.

Photo by Paul Benich

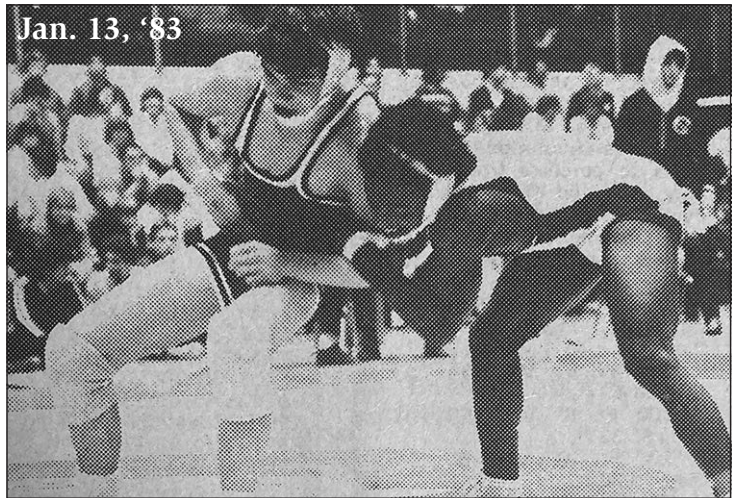


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BRETT PENAGER (left) of Lexington edged Doug Boone of Lancaster in overtime for the championship in the 119-pound class at the J. C. Gorman. On his way to the title, Penager defeated wrestlers from Mansfield Senior, Clear Fork and Ontario.

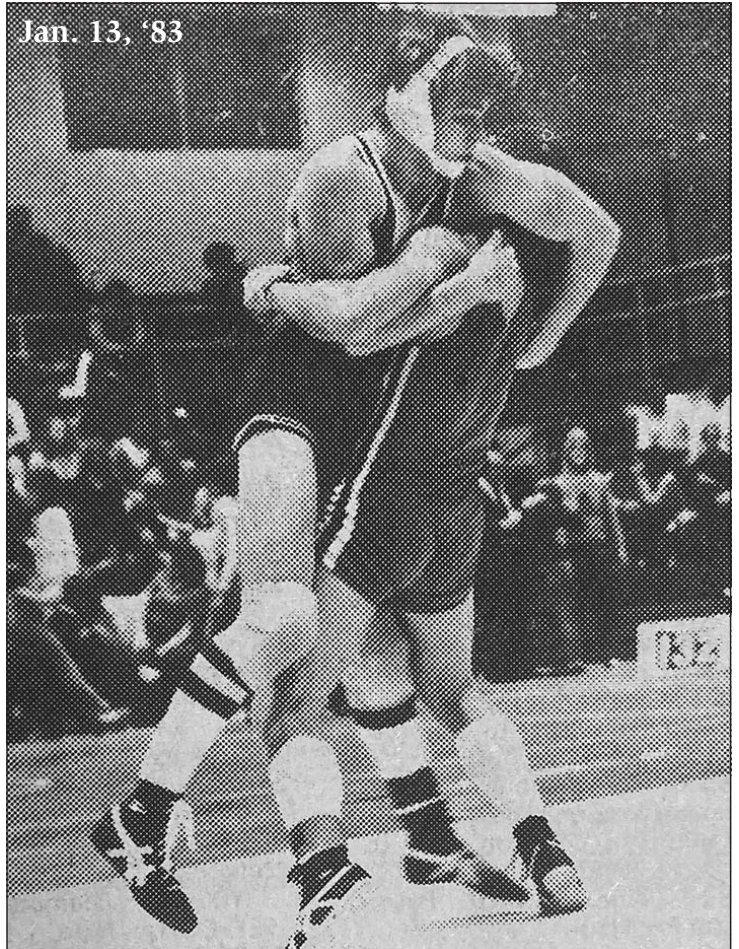


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PAT YOST (left) of Ontario placed second in the J. C. Gorman Wrestling Tournament when he lost to Andy Farnas of Worthington in the 132-pound weight class. Worthington also won the team title in the prestigious meet.

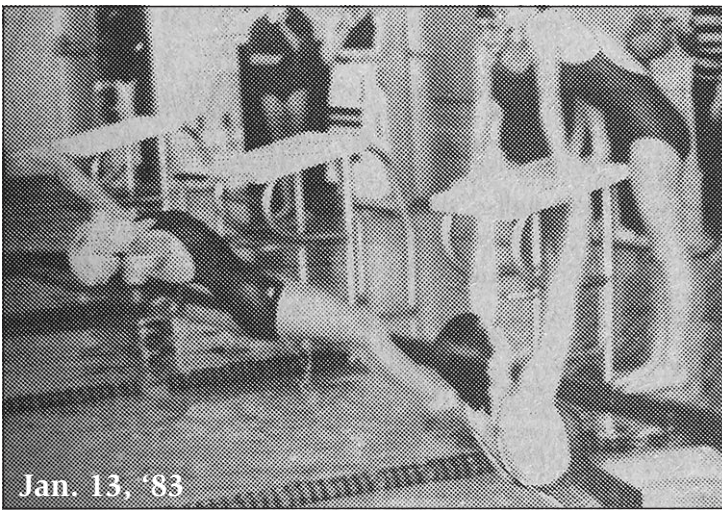


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JOYCE JONES (far lane) starts the backstroke leg of the 200-yard medley relay against K. Schuitaeis of Lexington. Encouraging their teammate are Tracy McCall and Becky Cassel. Ontario defeated Lexington 81-36 in the dual meet.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their special meeting held on December 19, 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 22 -16 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING, SURVEYING AND DRAFTING SERVICES FOR THE YEARS 2023 THROUGH 2027, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-24 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DYNEGY ENERGY SERVICES (EAST), LLC D/B/A DYNEGY ENERGY SERVICES, LLC FOR THE ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM, AT A RATE NOT TO EXCEED \$0.0814 kwh, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-57 - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 22-17 KNOWN AS THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE FOR 2022.

Cathy VanAuker
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT MUNICIPAL PERSONAL PROPERTY BY INTERNET SALE/AUCTION DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2023

Notice is hereby given that the City of Ontario intends to sell unneeded, obsolete or unfit municipal personal property by internet sale/auction during 2023. All sales shall be for cash, shipping or delivery shall be the responsibility of the purchaser, and the sales shall be made through websites as determined to be most effective and efficient in obtaining the best price. The representative of the City for the purpose of internet sales is:

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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 January 4, 2023.

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. 22-51 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1343, LICENSING OF CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS, REPEALING ORDINANCES 06-13 AND 21-15, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22 – 52 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1349, UNFIT OR ABANDONED DWELLINGS, UNITS, BUILDINGS, AND STRUCTURES; REPEALING ORDINANCES 87-69, 06-14, AND 07-23; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-53 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, OHIO TO CHANGE ZONING OF CERTAIN LAND FROM B-BUSINESS TO PUD- PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (2577 WALKER LAKE ROAD), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-55 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EDITION AND INCLUSION OF CERTAIN ORDINANCES AS PARTS OF THE VARIOUS COMPONENT CODES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF ONTARIO, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-56 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR NON-COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT CITY EMPLOYEES, REPEALING ORDINANCE 22-49, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-01 – A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO SELL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES THROUGH AN INTERNET AUCTION SALE DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

Cathy VanAuker
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Great Lakes Science Center offers free admission Monday, Jan. 16

The Great Lakes Science Center will offer free admission for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, Jan. 16, from 10 am to 5 pm.

It's been three years since the center's last in-person day of free admission to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

In honor of the holiday, the science center will offer free general admission to all guests from 10 am to 5 pm on Monday, Jan. 16.

The science center will have special programming throughout the day including live science shows such as Bubblemania and Seeing Sound, hands-on science cart activities where guests can learn about string resonance and invisibility and more.

Employees from NASA's Glenn Research Center will facilitate an open-forum discussion to brainstorm and gather visitor perspectives on ways to help NASA reach new, more diverse audiences outside of NASA's traditional community.

General admission at the science center includes the NASA Glenn Visitor Center, the Polymer Funhouse (for those seven and younger) and hundreds of hands-on, interactive science exhibits.

Movies in the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater will be discounted for the event. Adult and youth tickets will be \$5.

Parking is available for a reduced rate of \$9 per vehicle in the science center's attached garage.

Due to the potential for large crowds, the center's front drive parking spaces will all be converted to spaces for vehicles with handicap placards or license plates. Additional parking beyond the science center's garage is available in the surface lot north of FirstEnergy Stadium.

The Great Lakes Science Center is located at 601 Erieside Ave., Cleveland,. For more information call 216-694-2000 or visit GreatScience.com.

Great Lakes Science Center, a top three finisher in the USA Today 10Best Readers' Choice travel award for Best Science Museum, celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2022.

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