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THE ONTARIO POLICE DEPARTMENT held its annual awards banquet on Thursday, March 23. Due to COVID and other factors, this year recognized all awards from 2019-2022. Awards were presented to 2022 Officer of the Year Amanda Lawhorn, 2022 Dispatcher of the Year Derek Metzger, 2021 Officer of the Year Shelley Dehart, 2021 Dispatcher of the Year Derek Metzger, 2020 Dispatcher of the Year Ian Metcalf, 2019 Officer of the Year Dylan Bailey and 2019 Dispatcher of the Year Ian Metcalf. Other awards included Safe Driving, Years of Service, No Sick Leave, Life Saving and individual performance awards. Receiving Life Saving Awards were Officer Dylan Bailey, Officer Amanda Lawhorn, Officer Rod Roose and Sgt John Mager. Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded to Sheriff Steve Sheldon, Mayor Randy Hutchinson, Service Safety Director Kris Knapp and Chaplain Jill Waite. Donating to the event were Mayor Hutchinson, Service Safety Director Kris Knapp, Brown Derby Roadhouse, Brian and Michelle Gates State Farm Insurance, Area Agency on Aging, Chaplain Jill Waite, Texas Roadhouse, Skyline Chili, Altitude Trampoline Park, Hobby Town, Jennerate Fitness, Norwex by Gwen Malone, Walmart, Cinema 14 Ontario and Sam's Club. Picture are (top left) Rod Roose, (top right) Derek Metzger and (bottom

Mansfield Noon Optimist Club recognizes local students

The Mansfield Noon Optimist Club, in continuing its mission of "Friend of Youth" has recognized over 25 local high school students for their achievements including academics, athletics, school club participation, community involvement and leadership, among other accomplishments.

On Wednesday, March 29, the club recognized Quality Students Award recipients, two \$1,000 college scholarship recipients, three winners of the Essay Contest and the 2022-'23 "Excellence in Youth Award" winner.

The event was held at the Dan Lew Exchange ("DLX") in downtown Mansfield.

Each high school in Richland County is asked to identify two students that exemplify high standards of several categories including academics, athletics and hobbies/interests. Each school sets its own criteria for final student selection for the Quality Students Award.

Receiving the award were Collin Reed and Lauryn Robinson, Clearfork High School; Emma Aumend and John Tackett, Crestview High School; Thomas McCoy and Alexander Heichel, Lexington High School; Elizabeth Rollinson and Clara Hecker, Lucas High School; Allyson Cook and Zachary Glasgo, Madison Comprehensive High School; Kady Klecka and Payton Whaley, Mansfield Christian High School; Mekhi Bradley and Aries Williams, Mansfield Senior High School; Miles Meisse and Chandler Spognardi, Ontario High School; Bree Fellows and Sarah Hoak, Plymouth High School; Case Mongold and Elizabeth Mayer, Shelby High School; Grace Dix and Mahala Boothe, St. Peters High School; and Lydia Ball, Temple Christian High School.

Richland County resident students, either high school seniors or current college undergraduates are eligible for a scholarship if they meet several criteria, including a 2.5 GPA and other in-

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Columbia Gas of Ohio acknowledges Safe Digging Month

Since 2008, April in Ohio has been proclaimed Safe Digging Month. Columbia Gas of Ohio encourages customers and contractors to contact 811 at least 48 hours before starting any digging project.

Thousands of buried utilities are damaged each year due to digging activities.

Safe Digging Month reminds homeowners and contractors that digging without knowing the approximate location of underground utilities can result in serious injuries, inconvenient service disruptions and costly

repairs when gas, electric, communications, water and sewer lines are damaged.

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As part of National Safe Digging Month, Columbia Gas encourages homeowners to take

the following steps when planning a digging project this spring:

- Always call 811 a few days before digging. Call at least 48 hours before beginning your project.

- Consider moving the location of your project if it is near utility line-markings.

- If a contractor has been hired, confirm that the contractor has called 811. Don't allow work to begin if the lines aren't marked.

- For more information visit ColumbiaGasOhio.com/811



PICTURED are Paul Gages' 1936 Dodge sedan and behind is a 1929 Travel Air 4000, an Argo built in Alliance, OH, a 1928 Waco 10, a Command Air and a newer J2 Piper Club.

Gages Ontario Airport

By Bob Carter

Very few remember when Gages Airport was a popular landing field. Paul Gages established it on fairly level ground just off Beer Rd. and Park Avenue West or old Rt. 30. He had given up farming and his milk route to Mansfield and his first smaller airfield he had was between Scotland and Ireland Blvds in what is now the eastern edge of Ontario. He had laid out an allotment there and was building houses.

The Beer Rd. location offered more space and better landing surface for early bi-planes. Gages built three good-sized hangars and my wife remembers that as a little girl flying with her father, their office had a candy counter. She always liked that airport because her dad would usually give in and buy her something.

In an interview, the late Paul Gages Jr. said his dad's first airplane was a used 1917 Lincoln Standard with a 90 horsepower OX5 Wright Whirlwind engine. That was a reliable and much preferred engine, the same engine Lindburg flew the Atlantic with.

Although he owned the field and had his own plane, Paul Jr. said his father could fly but never got his pilot's license. He always took a licensed pilot with him.

As a promotion, Gages put on an air shows each summer which attracted thousands. There were aerial acrobatics and parachute jumps. In one event, a flier would drop a bag of flour at a target on the ground, and when it hit, young Paul, hidden in a fence row, would set off a stick of dynamite.

Young Paul Jr. took flying lessons from his older brother, Glenn, who had a commercial license and could teach pilots. Paul Jr. got his when he was 12. Sadly, Glenn was killed in 1930 when a student froze at the stick and both were killed in a crash.

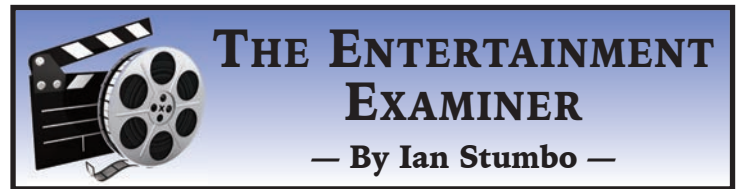
No airshows were held after that.

A major fire occurred in 1947 when one hangar burned. At that time Springfield Township had no fire department and five planes were lost or damaged.

Paul Jr. suspected it was arson but refused to name the suspect.

Gages field passed into history when the business and field were sold for the location of the General Motors Plant.

Sadly, both have passed into history.



Movies that are classified as crowd pleasers are usually pretty quickly forgotten unfortunately. They are given decent reviews and people move on from them. Let's hope that same thing does not happen to *Air* from director Ben Affleck, who has proved himself as a very reliable director throughout his career.

Set in 1984, the film is wonderfully themed to time and place with an opening credits sequence full of pop culture from that year. The movie is sprawling with great 80s music.

Nike is a company that is struggling. They spend a quarter million dollars every year to license their shoes to an athlete or multiple athletes. Their talent scout named Sonny (Matt Damon) wants to put all of their money into a new, young athlete named Michael Jordan. He wants them to make a shoe unique to him and create the brand around him.

Not everyone at Nike agrees with this. The VP of marketing (Jason Bateman) thinks he is crazy. Vice president Howard White, wonderfully played by Chris Tucker, believes in him and the company's CEO Phil Knight (Affleck) wants them to take a different path. Sonny is determined and goes to visit Jordan's parents to hopefully make the deal of a lifetime.

This movie is great because it's really centralized around Damon's terrific performance

as Sonny and watching this extremely determined guy not stop until he gets the deal he wants. The cast is excellent from Bateman, Tucker, Affleck, Marlon Wayans in a brief scene and Viola Davis, who shines as always, as Jordan's mother. It is also interesting how *Air* approaches the character of Jordan.

One of the best things about the movie is its script by Alex Convery, who makes this dialogue pop on screen. There are arguments over the phone that Sonny is having with Jordan's agent, played by Chris Messina, that are just as wonderful to listen to as to watch.

Air is a very engaging movie and Affleck with movies like *Argo*, *Gone Baby Gone* and *The Town* has showed that he is a very competent director. This is a different kind of movie for him, and he handles it well. It's also great to see him and Damon back on screen together for the first time since their terrific *Good Will Hunting*.

Go see *Air* in theaters if you are or are not a sports fan (I am not and really enjoyed this one). There are so many layers to this story. The performances, direction and script really sparkle and this is one of the best movies that has come out so far this year.



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News Briefs

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd., Mansfield, will host a rummage sale on Friday, April 21, from 9 am to 4 pm; and Saturday, April 22, 9 am to noon.

The semi-annual rummage sale will offer a selection of clothing, toys, housewares and much more. Proceeds are used for local missions. The church is located at the corner of Trimble Rd. and Millsboro Rd. For information call the church office at 419-756-7066.



The 2nd Annual Senior Citizen Prom "A Night to Remember" is scheduled for Saturday, May 13, from 5:30-8 pm, in the Ontario Middle School Commons, 447 Shelby-Ontario Rd., Ontario.

The free semi-formal dance is for senior citizens of the City of Ontario and surrounding area. There will be a live band, food, photo booth, raffle prizes and lots of dancing.

An RSVP is required By May 1 to the City of Ontario Recreation Director at recreationdept@ontarioohio.org or call 419-529-2588 ext. 3202. In RSVP, leave full name, number of people attending and their names along with a phone number.

The event is sponsored by the City of Ontario Recreation Department, Ontario Middle School, Ohio District Area Agency On Aging and VFW #7651.



Trinity United Methodist Church, 1595 Grace St., Mansfield, will hold its annual Vacation Bible School from 6-8:30 pm the week of July 16-20 for ages kindergarten through sixth grade.

More details will be forthcoming as the date approaches.



A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, April 29 and 30. 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.



The April Hymnsing will be held Friday, April 14, at 7 pm at New Liberty Baptist Church, a half mile south of Hanley Rd. on Lexington Ave. Easter songs will be featured as well as any favorite from the hymnal.



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 April 19, will include turkey. Those attending are encouraged to bring non-perishable food to donate to the

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



The Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center will have free produce giveaways on the fourth Monday of the Month, April thru October. Dates will be April 24, May 25, June 26, July 24, Aug. 28, Sept. 25 and Oct. 23. Line-up begins at 8:30 am and the giveaway begins at 10 am at Clear Fork Alliance Church (across from Clear Fork High School). A photo ID is required by Cleveland Food Bank.



Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) will host a free Rain Garden and Rain Barrel Workshop April 25. The workshop begins at 6 pm at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary, 3774 Orweiler Rd., Mansfield.

This workshop will help those interested in pollinators, gardens, conservation and nature. Attendees will learn about rain barrels and rain gardens, and how they benefit the environment. Information on how to purchase a rain barrel through Richland SWCD and light refreshments will be available.

Parking is limited so those attending are asked carpool if possible and enter through the gate with the Richland SWCD event sign and proceed to the education building for the workshop.

Although the workshop is free, registration is encouraged due to limited seating. Register at <https://richlandswcd.net/event/rain-garden-and-rain-barrel-workshop-2/>. For information call Dan at 419-747-8077 or email MS4@richlandswcd.net.



The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is hosting a Shred-It event in the parking lot of Hawkins Corner, 2131 Park Avenue West, Ontario, on Saturday, April 22, from 9-11 am. This event is free and open to the public. For more information contact Karen at 567-247-6487.



State Route 545 at the structure north of Franklin Church Rd. will have single lane closures for a bridge repair project. Estimated completion is September 2023

State Route 603 at the structure north of Harlan Rd. will have single lane closures for a bridge repair project. Estimated completion is September 2023



First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West, Mansfield, will be offering senior boxes on the fourth Tuesday of each month, year 'round. The Greater Cleveland Food Bank has a program called "Senior Boxes" whereby anyone 60+ who falls in the "low income" guidelines can register and then pick up a 30 pound box of non-perishables including two pounds of cheese and a 15 pound box of pre-packaged produce.

Age is a qualification, so those attending should bring a current
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formational requirements such as recommendations letters, career goals. \$1000 Scholarship Winners are Brooklyn Thomas, Madison Comprehensive High School; and Allyson Wigton, Madison Comprehensive High School.

Each year, Optimist International sponsors an essay contest that is open to any student under the age of 19. The essay must focus on the current topic and meet additional criteria such as number of words, formatting, content, etc. This year's topic is "Who is an Everyday Hero that Brings out the Optimism in You?". The local first place winner is entered into the Ohio District contest with a chance to win a \$3,500 college scholarship.

Essay Contest Winners are Abby Kern, Clearfork High School, first, \$200; Zoe Daniels, Clearfork High School, second, \$100; and Claire Blubaugh, Clearfork High School third, \$50.

The Excellence in Youth Award, presented to Cadence Fairchild of Shelby High School, is intended to recognize outstanding service to, and leadership in our youth. Nominees should also show active participation and leadership in school and community activities. The award is intended to encourage recipients to maintain their interest and participation in the community and school.

Keynote speaker was Dr. Eric Anderman, acting Dean of OSU-Mansfield. Miss Ohio Elizabetta Nies also gave remarks. Breckelle Miller, a local talent and 8-year-old student at Stingel Elementary School, performed the National Anthem and Phantom of the Opera.

The club will celebrate its 100-year anniversary on Sept. 27.



THE MANSFIELD NOON OPTIMIST CLUB honored Ontario's Miles Meisse and Chandler Spognardi at the annual student recognition banquet on March 29. These seniors from the Class of 2023 were honored for promoting positivity and hope in their daily lives.

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
Pastor Denny Nezrick
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

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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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10 am Sunday Worship

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Dinner and show performance scheduled at Ontario April 25

The Ontario Music Boosters have announced that Rhapsody in Blue and Ontario Jazz Band will be showcasing their talents at the 2023 Cabaret. This is dinner and a show held in the O'Rena at Ontario High School, 467 Shelby-Ontario Road, Ontario, Saturday, April 22, at 5:30 pm.

The O'Rena will be transformed into an entertainment venue and will have special guest, Mansfield's Queen of Soul, Condrea Cannada (Webber).

Webber is a seasoned professional performer and vocalist. She has been in countless productions at the Mansfield Renaissance Theater including parts as Audrey II in *Little Shop of Horrors*, Etta James in *An Evening with Etta James*, Effie White in *Dreamgirls*, Motor-Mouth Mable in *Hairspray* and, one of her all time favorite roles, as Sister Mary Clarence in the smash Broadway show *Sister Act*.

She finished in the Top 5 of Ohio Idol and went on to become the vocal director and manager.

Condrea also is the lead singer of her solo band "CONNE" which performs at countless stages around the world. She is the vocal director and coordinator for the Miss Ohio Scholarship Program and is currently the new district food service administrator at Ontario Local Schools.

Although this is a co-curricular event in which students earn academic credit, the Music Boosters will be using any funds raised to help create an atmosphere of encouragement and awareness for Ontario student musicians, ensuring a lifelong love of music.

Tickets are \$25 and include dinner and the show. To order tickets, visit <https://ontarioschools.hometownticketing.com/embed/event/324>



Condrea Webber

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identification card complete with date of birth and proof of income. Distribution is on the east side of the building between 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to get registered and pick up a box. There is no cost. Call 419-522-0662 for more information.

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The Richland Democratic Party will be hosting candidate luncheons at the McCartney/Reid Building, 16 S. Park St., Mansfield. The schedule includes Antoinette Daley for 4th Ward Council, City of Mansfield, April 19 at 11:30 am; and Alomar Davenport for 4th Ward Council, City of Mansfield, April 26, 11:30 am.

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The Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Richland County will hold its monthly Board meeting on Tuesday, April 18, at 5:30 pm at 87 E. First St., Mansfield.

Fish sale orders being taken

Pond fish can be ordered through the Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) pond fish sale now through April 13.

Species for sale are Bluegill, Channel Catfish, Hybrid Bluegill, Largemouth Bass, Redear Shellcracker, Yellow Perch, White Amur, and Fathead Minnows.

Pond conditioner, fish food, plastic bags and string may also be ordered through the sale. This is the only pond fish sale Richland SWCD will sponsor this year. Orders will need to be picked up Friday, April 21 at 10 am at the Richland County Fairgrounds.

For recommendations on stocking rates and to place an order visit <https://richlandswcd.net/event/pond-fish-sale/> or call 419-747-8686.

Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

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Thomas Edwin Frasher, March 30

Mary Domenica Peterson, April 1

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Day Trippin' With Damon – The Eastern Ledge Trail in Euclid Creek Reservation has a new bridge. The reservation is part of the Cleveland Metroparks and the trail is one mile trek consisting of a mix of paved and natural surface trails, a suspension bridge over Euclid Creek, and access to one of the Emerald Necklace's most scenic vistas at an overlook 130 feet above Euclid Creek and the valley below. The trail can be accessed near the Welsh Wood Picnic Area off of Euclid Creek Parkway. The trail also offers a first-time connection to the city of Richmond Heights off Donna Drive near Highland Road.



Dear Madison Residents,

The heart of our community is our school system. The district has been prudent with its funds and has not asked for additional operating funds in 26 years (1997). Help us continue the proud tradition of Ram Pride and a well-rounded quality education for our students.

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For more information go to www.MadisonLevy.com

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By Kim Sterry

POTATO SALAD WITH GREEN BEANS

Ingredients

- 2 1/2 lbs red potatoes, halved or quartered depending on size
- Green Beans, halved and blanched
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 Tbsp. Italian Seasoning
- Salt & pepper
- 1 shallot, chopped

Instructions

Boil Potatoes. Blanch green beans (you can add these into the water with potatoes when they are almost done, last 4-5 min.) Drain and cool. In bowl whisk olive oil, seasoning, shallot and salt and pepper. Add in potatoes and green beans.

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By Mátiece Thomas

Choices: every day the average person makes an eye-popping 35,000 choices. That's on the average of 2,000 per hour, a decision every two seconds.

When your alarm went off this morning, you had the choice to hit the snooze button or to get up and start your day. That was your first choice and your day is filled with choices that will shape the outcome of your day — for good or bad.

Your daily choices are going to do one of two things. They can either help you on this journey called life, to be better, stronger, healthier, happier and more productive. Or you can choose to not try, to not make healthy choices and to not be happy. You can choose not to be the best hu-

man that you were meant to be.

When it comes to nutrition, I was once told that you can get on track with your next snack by choosing a protein bar over a candy bar. You can choose to pack a healthy lunch over grabbing fast food. You can choose to take a walk rather than binging on Netflix. You can choose to find the good in your day instead of dwelling on the bad. You can surround yourself with amazing humans that will encourage you instead of toxic ones that will bring you down.

The outcome of your day, your year, your life is determined by the choices you make.

Be mindful and deliberate with your choices, take control of this journey called life!

Today, take control of your mind, your body, your health, and never forget your spirit. Create TOTAL wellness in your day and let it pave a way to an amazing life.

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



Photos By Traci Little



Before & After



Barbara Dinkel Knapp, Hilliard, OH

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Join us in our mission, donate today - richlandcountyfoundation.org/donate.



This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



Orson

Meet Orson! This incredibly nice gentleman is around two years old. He is pretty good on

a leash, but he prefers to being able to run and smell in a fenced in area. Orson appreciates treats and attention, although he's not sure if he wants to give attention back to humans.

He tolerates baths, although he doesn't love them. The shelter thinks Orson is good with female dogs and will probably chase cats. Orson does not seem to like male dogs. He absolutely loves treats.

Orson 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 and Shelter. Hours are 11 am to 4:15 pm Monday-Friday and 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday.

Adoptions are \$175, which includes spay/neuter, microchip, dog license and some vaccines.

The shelter's current needs are volunteers to walk and play with the dogs. The shelter uses a lot of bleach, laundry detergent, and dog treats and welcomes donations.

Ohio District 5 presentation will help explain Medicare

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc., in partnership with the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program, will host a "Welcome to Medicare" event for Ohioans new to Medicare on Thursday, May 4, 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 with additional outreach resources.

For information about this 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.

Last year, OSHIIP through its different engagement services counseled and educated nearly 600,000 people and saved Ohioans on Medicare \$46 million by helping them identify suitable coverage options and financial assistance.

To access the free in-person and virtual Welcome to Medicare events schedules, visit insurance.ohio.gov. OSHIIP representatives are also available at 800-686-1578 and oshiipmail@insurance.ohio.gov to answer Medicare questions.



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THE RICHLAND COUNTY FOUNDATION will conduct its annual meeting Friday, May 12, at 11:30 am at Kingwood Center Gardens, 50 Trimble Rd., Mansfield. All are invited to attend the luncheon. Registration is online at richlandcountyfoundation.org, click the events tab. The cost is \$30 per person. A check can also be mailed to 181 S. Main St., Mansfield, OH 44902. Call 419-525-3020 for additional information. Pictured are Richland County Foundation Board of Trustees Chair Jessica Gribben and Richland County Foundation President Brady Groves.

Voting is underway

Absentee/early voting for the May 2, Primary Election continues by mail or in person at the Richland County Board of Elections, 1495 W. Longview Ave., in the lower level classroom.

The closest entrance is in the back of the Longview Center by the "Vote Here" sign and flag. Those who enter through the front entrance must take the stairs or elevator down to the lower level.

Absentee applications to vote by mail are available online at <https://www.boe.ohio.gov/richland/> or by calling the office at 419-774-5530 to have a request form mailed.

Early voting will be held at the Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Ave., lower classroom (use rear, lower level parking area, southwest door).

- April 4–21, 8 am to 5 pm, each weekday
- April 24, 26, 27 and 28, 7:30 am to 7:30 pm, each weekday
- Tuesday, April 25, 7:30 am to 8:30 pm
- Saturday, April 29, 8 am to 4 pm
- Sunday, April 30, 1–5 pm, early voting ends
- May 2nd, Election Day. Polls will be open from 6:30 am to 7:30 pm on May 2.

Early voting ends Sunday, April 30, at 5 pm. There will be no early voting on Monday, May 1.

All precincts in Richland County will be open. Voters in the City of Mansfield may request a Republican, Democrat or an Issues Only ballot. Voters in the City of Ontario 2nd ward may request a Democrat or Issues Only ballot, the remaining wards in the City of Ontario will have an Issues Only ballot.

The remaining Richland County voters will have an Issues Only ballot.

The only procedure available under Ohio Election Laws to change a party affiliation is to request the party's ballot in a Primary. It does not matter which party a voter is currently affiliated with in their voter registration records. The voter simply states to the poll worker which ballot they want to cast for that election.

To view a ballot online visit <https://www.boe.ohio.gov/richland/candidate-voter-tools/> and go to voter lookup search, enter last and first name and submit. On the right side, click sample ballots and choose which ballot style to view.

Red Cross seeking volunteers to install free smoke alarms

The East Central Ohio chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking volunteers for its 2023 Sound the Alarm campaign taking place in April in Guernsey and Richland counties. Volunteers are needed to work with current Red Cross volunteers and staff, members of local fire departments, and other partners to install smoke alarms in local homes.

Sound the Alarm is part of the larger Red Cross Home Fire Campaign which aims to reduce home fire deaths and injuries through providing disaster preparedness information, home fire safety instruction, and the installation of free smoke alarms. Since the program's inception in 2014, more than 36,000 families in Central & Southern Ohio been made safer through the Red Cross Home Fire Campaign. Of the approximately 62,000 disasters the Red Cross responds to across the country every year, more than 90 percent are home fires.

A Sound the Alarm volunteer opportunity in Richland County will be Saturday, April 29. Volunteers will meet at NECIC, 134 N. Main St., Mansfield.

The installation will be in association with North End Community Improvement Collaborative.

Anyone interested in volunteering should visit redcross.org/Newark and click on the Sound the Alarm information box on the home page.

This work is made possible thanks to generous financial donations from regional sponsors.

Residents in need of free state-of-the-art smoke alarms can call the Red Cross hotline to make an installation appointment at 844-207-4509.



PARKER METZGER AND WADE SCHRAEDLY made brownies for the Ontario Police Department for their sixth grade service project for Mr. Canfield's Social Studies class.

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THE ONTARIO SCIENCE CLUB took advantage of the sunny day and checked their amphibian traps in the school wetland. Lots of tadpoles and young leopard frogs were found. Afterward, the group worked on measuring the Indian Burial Mound.

National Medication Take Back Day returns Saturday, April 22

National Medication Take Back Day is Saturday, April 22, from 10 am to 2 pm.

Richland County locations are Richland County Solid Waste, 1125 National Pkwy., Mansfield; Richland Co. Sheriff's Office, 597 Park Ave. E., Madison area; Bellville Police Department, 320 Bell St., Bellville; Lexington Police Department, 44 W. Main St., Lexington; Plymouth Police Department, 48 W. Broadway St., Plymouth; and Shelby Police Department, 31 Mack Ave., Shelby.

Collection programs protect children, water and food supplies, and decrease prescription drug abuse by making it easier to properly dispose of unused or expired medication. This is a completely confidential program. No personal information will be collected. Prescription labels should be removed before arriving.

Accepted items include prescription medicines of any kind, over-the-counter medications, medication samples, pet medications, vitamins, inhalers, medicated ointments and lotions and liquid medications in leak-proof containers.

Items not accepted include needles, syringes, lancets, thermometers, aerosol cans, IV bags, hydrogen peroxide, bloody or infectious waste, empty containers and personal products.

Nominations being accepted for Ohio District 5 AAA awards

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 April 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.

One Outstanding Senior Citizen Award will be presented for each county in our service area (Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca and Wyandot).

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.

Additional information, including on-line nomination forms, can be found on the Area Agency on Aging website at www.aaa5ohio.org/events/awards/ or by contacting Susie at 567-247-7105 or sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org.

Lexington Council discusses paving, pickleball courts

The Village of Lexington meeting was held March 20 with Mayor Brian White presiding.

Village council members present were Bob Jarvis, Zack Alleshouse, Adam Gongwer, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise. Also present were Attorney John Studenmund and Chief Brett Pauley.

Resident Keith Bacin of Cedarwood advised council to think twice before approving an install of a new pickleball court. Bacin reported of several complaints throughout towns and cities that have installed pickleball courts. Adjoining houses to the court often complain of loud noise.

Rick Crist of Mansfield proposed building a new "Pump Track" for the village. A pump track is a circuit of rollers, banked turns and features designed to be ridden completely by riders "pumping" — generating momentum by up and down body movements, instead of pedaling or pushing. Crist was referred to the park board.

Councilman Kearns stated that the Public Utilities committee held its budget meeting prior to the council meeting. The committee reviewed 2023 capital items, 2023 MRO items and budget items.

The streets and sidewalks committee met March 6 to discuss the 2023 budget.

The finance report was given by James Bank, finance director. All books have been recorded and balanced through February.

Mayor White gave the Administrative Director's Report and said Spring clean-up for village residents is April 17-30.

There is an ordinance for bid opening for resurfacing village streets in 2023. Currently Oyster Paving is under contract to complete paving at 35 W. Main St. A ribbon cutting will be held for the lot in the near future.

Councilman Gongwer noted loose curbing on some of the stone wall. Councilman Little asked if seats/benches will be purchased in the near future. Mayor White confirmed they will review the loose fittings and benches will be ordered soon.

Mayor White announced a joint meeting with council and the Planning Commission is scheduled for March 29 for a housing study.

The mayor read the Ohio Senate commendations for the village's outstanding achievement for leverage of Lexington's comprehensive plan.

Chief Brett Pauley reported that the annual Police Drug Take-Back day is April 22, and will be held in back parking lot from, 10 am to 2 pm. Body cameras have been failing and the village was asked to cover the costs of new cameras. Approximate cost is \$6,800.

Councilman Kearns updated Council regarding new practices at the Cemetery Board; including hiring two financial officials. Township meetings will take place twice a month on the second and last Monday until further notice with meeting time moved back to 6 pm from 6:15 pm.

Mayor Brian White issued a Proclamation recognizing Richland County Children's Services and National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

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Honor and Merit Rolls

St. Peter's

Third Nine Weeks

FIRST HONORS

Seniors: Adrian Allen* (4.0), Erin Belmer*, Gianni Bonham, Mahala Boothe, Alyssa Carroll* (4.0), MaKenna Coontz, Audrey Couch* (4.0), Griffin Crutchfield, Grace Dix* (4.0), Kanija Green, Sarah Hahn*, Kienna Johnson, Gavin Mawhorr, My'Kia Letlow, Hailea Montanez, Kiersten Pitcher*, Logan Rhodes* and Natalie VanDyne

Juniors: Caelyn Brubaker*, Tamara Lindsay, Analina McCabe* (4.0), Zora Mills* (4.0), Josephine Reef* (4.0), Cameron Taracko Gisele Ward* (4.0) and Trinity Withrow-Gremling* (4.0)

Sophomores: Amelia Auchard*, Kaylee Bond*, Magnolia Chamberlin* (4.0), Callina Francis, Elina Gilland* (4.0), Joshua Laux* (4.0), Rakayla Smith, Nevaeh Trammell* and Kelly Wolboldt*

Freshmen: Aidan Boothe* (4.0), Tiffany Clemons* (4.0), Nadia DeVall, Conner Fournier, Grady Heichel* (4.0), Ahzirrea Hill, Ni'Ahana Lane, Olivia Laux* (4.0), Tai Pickett, Ian Pitcher* and Heaven Taylor

Eighth Grade: Callahan Cavanaugh and Abigail Farragher

Seventh Grade: Quinn Chamberlin, Kenzingtyn Couch, David Crundwell*, Isabella Deel, Savanna Francis*, Trinitee Taylor and Julianna Williams* (4.0)

Sixth Grade: Landon Jones*, Azariyah Robertson, Aubrey Vega and Elizabeth Whatman*

Fifth Grade: Sophia Deel, Liam Jones, Talie LeFebvre, Lily Richlovsky*, Rayna Smith and Aidyn Stoner

Fourth Grade: Brayden Anderson, Kaitlyn Baker, Brynleigh Ball, Jacob Bonte*, Nolan Bramlage*, Kendra Corl, Katie Crundwell*, Bentley Jones, Morgan Lee, Amarie Minard, Gianna Rohl and Madilyn Zickefoose

Third Grade: Thalia Fulk, Aire'yanah Jones, Jay'Sean Lindsay, Ella Odom*, Brea'on Reynolds, King Spivey, Aubrey Stafford*, Jacob Taylor and Vincent VanBuren

SECOND HONORS

Seniors: Peyton Bodnar, Angelo Gasper, Makenzie Hardin, Zhoimaree Hill, Feree Kent, Mik'a Letlow, Andrew Wendt and Dominic Wendt

Juniors: Jerry Thompson

Sophomores: Rayden Baltazar, Civante' Catchings, Lillian Colarosa, Sunshine Sipes, Sidiki Sissoko, Jack Thompson and James Thompson

Eighth Grade: Keeli Barry, Ta'Neyah Hammock and Is'Zabell Wilson

Seventh Grade: Madeline Levron, Jordon Lewis, Skylar Pitzen and Nizayah Powell

Sixth Grade: Benjamin Cuttitta

Fifth Grade: Scout Moore, Connor O'Neil, Bently Parlett, Angel Taylor, Amelia Unger and Arianna Vega-Gibson

Fourth Grade: Silas Blamer, Isabella Boor, Chloe O'Neil, Ethan Schwab and Raya Smith

Third Grade: Lucas Keinath

(Students with an asterisk after their name achieved straight A grades)

Clear Fork High School

Third Nine Weeks

ALL A'S

Seniors: Brooklyn Black, Claire Blubaugh, Zachary Hotz, Monae Leedy, Emily Mansfield, Audrey Mason, Gracie Palmer, Charles Penney, Jordan Pfeifer, Kaitlyn Schneider, Victor Skoog, Lillian Wortman and Adrian Wuertz

Juniors: Heather Atherton, Christina Carroll, Carter Coile, Zoe Daniels, Emma Dormaier, Jackson Dudley, Saylee Fowler, Caden Freitag, Emilee Greene, Kiley Howell, Collin Johnson, Abigail Kern, Abigail Kitzmiller, Jada Lamp, Nate Lind, Macy Ousley, Evan Picchioni, Madison Ruhl, Abigail Sauder, Stephen Schlosser, Taya Shultz, Aria Stage, Kasey Swank, Kayleigh Walker, Avery Wine and Savanna Wolfgang

Sophomores: Nicolas Allen, Jayden Bowman, Merista Brown, Jessica Hecht, Damon Hoskins, Garrett Hotz, Jay Jackson, Sienna Johnson, Kylie Lorentz, Bailey McKee, Fisher McLaughlin, Madison Merendino, Leah Mortimer, Isabella Oswald, Mackenzie Palmer, Rebecca Pryor, Reina Rehberg, Albert Ross, Baylie Salkovick, Mason Sansom, Kaybria Sims, William Stewart and Haylee Swank

Freshmen: Ethan Beck, Alyson Brokaw, Alyssa Burger, Benjamin Campbell, Mi lee Carillon, Taylor Carpenter, Ava Carr, Nicholas Coker,

Mattie Colegrove, Leonard Copeland, Tristan Cromer, Xander Cyphers, Kaiden Dettmer, Caroline Dill, Hansen Dornbierer, Abigail Geary, Lucas Goodman, Liam Hamilton, Iona Hickerson, Brenley Higgins, Madelyn Hite, Jasmine Johnson, Gwyneth Jones, Zoe Lamp, Clayton Lewis, Savannah Mazzola, Austin McFerren, Kenadee Muntain, Lucy Myer, Callie New, Bryar Ousley, Emma Parsons, Eliana Pelkey, Selena Ross, Myles Sharp, Matthew Shutt, Mary Stupka, Liliana Trunzo, Sophia Wharton, Mia Wilson, Sophia Wilson and Ashtyn Wine

HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Payton Bailey, Lyvia Davis, Luke Drockton, Alexis Dunham, Lauren Firmi, Benjamin Gehrisch, Chloe Lewis, Benjamin Pryor, Collin Reed, Aaliyah Rogers, Madelyn Shields and Keegan Wilson

Juniors: Kylie Belcher, Beau Dornbierer, Alton Jeffries, Summer Kinard, Mikka Knapik, Ava Langer, Emma McCoy, Madison McKenna, Allison Montgomery, Angelina Ross, Ariel Stage, Morgan Steensland, Andrea Swainhart, Grace Weikle and Linzy Weyhmeller

Sophomores: Ava Beard, Melodie Blubaugh, Lexie Colegrove, Christopher Fenton, Bobbie Fliger, Grant Keep, Brooklyn Lutzmann, Emily Montgomery, Madison Oswald, Alexander Ousley, Regan Pore, Alexis Rodriguez, Katrina Rogers, Peyton Salisbury, Anna Taylor and Christian Walker

Freshmen: Tobin Amos, Kailyn Bowman, Sabree Caudill, Evan Hamilton, Delilah Henry, Nicholas Kinkel, Rowyn Lang, Zoie Lloyd, Kaleb Martin, Nicholas Martin, Landen Perry, Bailee Riddle, Kaiden Schlosser, Landon Schlosser, Porter Schmidt, Faith Smith, Shelbi Sullivan, Michael Tokar, Audrey Vanausdle, Ava Wharton and Nathaniel Wine

MERIT ROLL

Seniors: Pawie Ault, Hayden Bateson, Keith Beard, Cooper Conkling, Liberty Dulaney, Aiden Perry and Lauryn Robinson

Juniors: Renee Anders, Zain Brown, Milo Burgholder, Champ Delancy, Sydney Kime, Marissa Lawhun, Emilee Morrison, Kadynce Muntain, Sophia Perry, Taylor Ramey-Wolf, Hayden Roberts, Jonah Sharp, Piper Stepp, Joseph Stupka, Isabella Swiatek, Brayden Thornton, Alexandria Welshans, Kendall Windsor and Ross Wine

Sophomores: Chandler Ball, April Berry, Addison Blakley, John Carrey, Venessa Eicher, Carter King, Trevor Kinnamon, Brennen Lloyd, Kylie McGinty, Chloe Mowry, Lauren Perry, Carson Shields, Jazmine Spayde, Dawson Staley, Claire Wallis and Lillian Weikle

Freshmen: Jhayda Ammons, Landon Ball, Brinley Barnett, Kayden Bostic, Jacob Brokaw, Joseph Drockton, Laiken Eith, Tyler Evans, Xander Frederick, Ethan Hull, Addison Johnson, Jayden Kaylor, Andrea Kehl, Briana McGinty, Daisy McGinty, Gavin Ocheltree, Devyn Oswald, Rhett Peterson, Rachel Raber, Izzabelle Randolph, Kylie Siddle, Hadley Slaughter, Rozalynn Stover, Paisley Thrush, Seth Vail, Mason Walls, Zayn Weemhoff and Makenna Wuertz

Madison Local Schools

Third Nine Weeks

ALL A'S

Third Grade: Zella Ball, Ella Barr, Lincoln Bays, Isabelle Beatty, Carter Clow, Cade Deems, Madeline Dunlap, Ri'khi Evege, Lauren Foster, Peyton Hager, London Hamilton, Ingrid Keffer, Kendle Keirns, James Lang, Zeke Markley, Miranda Miller, Sebastian Nelson, Kellen O'Brien, Joseph Reddy, Joel Robertson, Carter Smollen, Hailey Sneling, Emily Spillman, Olivia St. Clair and Jaxon Turner

Fourth Grade: Annalise Barber, Tanner Bays, Jeffrey Brooks, Richard (Ricky) Davis, Lily Eckenwiler, Frehley Gushard, Asherah Marie Hapin, Klayton Hayes, Hailey Hedrick, Ronnie Jacobs, Makeylan Jarvis, Alanah Jones, Adelynn Klecka, Kennadi Knipp, Parker Larsen, Branson Littleton, Gavin Moore, W. O., Lucca Polino-Brady, Dylan Pucci, Hagen Sauder, Eleanor Sidwell, Sadie Smith, Carter Swanger, Beckham White, Mackenzie Wiggins and Spencer Wynn

Fifth Grade: Zane Baker, Liam Barr, Jaxon Bennett, Gavin Bishop, Reagan Brooks, Abbigale Crist, Grady Davis, Alyse Emery, Peyton Foote, Samara Gillespie, Savannah Hamilton, Dillon Herder, Jordan Jeffers, Troy Kegley, Emma Lewis, Carson Mcquillen, Carson Mosier, Kathryn Myers, Preston Patrick, Matthew Risner, Natalie Smith, Vincent Studer, Alysia Szasz-Benedek and Alexander Weightman

Sixth Grade: Abigail Anschutz, Jenna Bebout, Makena Berkshire, Lainey Binns, Madelynn Carpenter, Isabella Childs, Chester (Joseph) Conley, Carson Cook, Hannah Evans, Madison Kiewer, Andrew (Aj) Lowe, Brandon Maglott, Aryiah Miller, Cameron Montgomery, Hayley Morris, Lillian Mutter, Tavian Porter, Addyson Powell, Miah Reid, Maddison Smith and Morgan Turney

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• Honor and Merit Rolls

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Seventh Grade: Adriana Alexander, Zaylynn Ball, Isaiah Blust, Kaley Bowman, Jarrod Cyrus, Carter Foley, Cadence Gushard, Journee Jaranowski, Gracie Schaade, Landon Stone and Makenzie Wynn

Eighth Grade: Greyson Brasseur-Fisher, Jaselle Clark, Kinley Clow, Samantha Crist, Claire Durbridge, Trenton Ford, Nicolas Gatten, Kennedy Hofer, Santanna Hoffman, Kaiden Koch, Layla Krizan, Evan Larsen, Cooper Leather, Sophie Lowe, Malachi Marsh, Taylor McKown, Gage Ramey, Emily Saunders, Lincoln Shepherd, Isabella Smith, Leia Walker and Lyla Walker

Freshmen: Payton Bartolomea, Elizabeth Bekeleski, Madison Berry, Myla Blankenship, Morgan Cook, Courtney Cyrus, Lillian DeLong, Timothy Ellis, Brianna Fidler, Camryn Gowitzka, Hayden Hatfield, Kalayah Johnson, Kaylin Johnson, Amya Joplin, Campbell Kiser, Bradlee Kotterman, Tauren Lindsey, Isabella Liviskie, Jacob Lord, Nicholas Maglott, Aubrey McClure, Aaron McEndree, Brayden Montgomery, Owen Morrow, Jada Neal, Jalycia Nelson, Andrew Parish, Cruz Rachel, Raygen Reiter, Emma Reynolds, Jenna Richards, Zoey Robinson, Aryana Rogers, Elizabeth Schwartz, MaRhea Smith, Bryce Speelman, Grace Speelman, Esther Stanfield, Kinlei Stoltenberg, Kaylee Stone, Liam Stone, Lucas Swanger, Bryce Tudor, Ariyah Tufts, Julius Walker, Lillian Waxter and Jerry Wertz

Sophomores: Draven Anderson, Shyann Barnhart, Aleigha Bebout, Aubrey Boliantz, Dryden Durbridge, Ryleigh Foley, Elijah Fox, Wyatt Geiger, Ava Huff, Hannah Markley, Gage Masters, Emily Musgrove, Samantha Myers, Isaiah Ortiz-Martinez, Ian Parker, Dakota Perseitz, Sydney Phillips, Benjamin Prater, Nevaeh Rhein, Meghan Roberts, Alexa Rose, Nicolas Ruffano, Faith Sevits, Faith Smith and Angela Williams

Juniors: Donovan Adkins, Alivia Ash, Joshua Atwell, Layla Azmoun, Natalee Back, Hannah Ball, Olivia Barley, Tyler Batcheller, Madison Berry, Karsyn Blust, Colin Carroll, Jillian Conard, James Copley, Callie Cyrus, Jacob Dillon, Kelly Dunham, Chloe Ebeling, Jacob Ford, Justin Gibson, Ethan Glasgo, Alisha Hill, Maggie Jones, Amealah Kegley, William Kepple, Kendyll Kershner, Kendall Kuhn, Destiny Lane, Alivia Lee, Peyton Mandusic, Ashley Markley, Aiden Mooneyham, Livia Myers, Kara Nicol, Emily Nolan, Irelyn O'Connell, Kayla Putney, Kalea Ramsey, Kyleigh Reiter, Megan Reynolds, Ryan Rock, Shelby Rush, Richard Ryan, Grayson Sasis, Michael Shenberger, Landon Simpson, Jordan Smith, Sara Smith, Kyerstin Swigart, Isabelle Thoman, Ella Walker, Adeline Ward, Karlie Wilson and Mya Wiseman

Seniors: Trevor Adkins, Jake Aisel, Morgan Alberty, Gabriella Baker, Hope Barrett, Michelle Beatty, Shawn Berry, Brianna Bowles, Charese Cogar, Allyson Cook, Evan Davis, Drake Dodd, Elizabeth Enix, Jack Erhart, Juliya Foster, Zachary Glasgo, Jacob Green, Paityn Hall, Brooke Hill, Owen Hoffman, Aleeyah Holt, Cheyenne Horvath, Kierstyn Laskey, Sarah Leicy, Olivia Lord, Jordan Moore, Maya Myers, Peyton Myers, Liam Paxton, Melanie Slick, Owen Swanger, Brooklyn Thomas, Logan Triplett, Brayden Valgas, Dustin Wheatcraft, Allyson Wigton, Aiden Williams, David Yockey and Christopher Kukowski

HONOR ROLL

Third Grade: Jade Anderson, Corrine Beal, Benton Brandt, Braxton Brandt, Aria Brewster, Alexia Brown, Jordan Bryant, Amir Byrd, Skyler Carlson, Chase Carpenter, Araina Charley, Westyn Comisford, Johanna Daugherty, Dawson Davis, Grant Egenes, Carter Fields, Zoey Fulton, Josslynn Gault, Naomi Houston, Jackson Howard, Landon Hunt, Brantsyn Imhoff, Kaliyah Keith, Bentley Kershner, Kennadee Kilgore, Liam Kiser, Ellie Lawhorn, Za'Niyah Lyles, Lucas Mascazine, Brayden Mason, Peyton Meek, Lily Morton, Clayton Mount, Alexis Pace, Jaxson Pennywitt, Hunter Price, Lex Rassavong, Isaiah Reeves, Trysten Reitler, Emily Rush, Joey Sablan, Carter Shenberger, Isaiah Smith, Aubrey Spurlock, Ezra Triplett, Amelia Wamsley, Kristopher Washington, Tyson Wendling, Collin Will, Eliana Wilson, Emilee Zartman and Chazlyn Zehner

Fourth Grade: Aubri Adkins, Za'mya Ajuan, Faith Barney, Eli Bell, Mason Bennett, Jacob Bond, Cody Campbell, Daniel Carpenter, Delaney Conway, Ezra Dewitt, Ny'Airah Elliott, Javion Endicott, Paityn Erow, Austin Finley, Johnathan Flores-Devaughn, Kira Gibson, Anthony Gitto, Hunter Graham, Cale Henry, Ethan Hicks, Lyra Howell, Lucas Huffman, Cody King, Taelyn Kirsch, Ava Liederbach, Connor Mathie, Milo McCann, Wyatt Miller, Grant Mountz, Dane Moysi, Lelia Myers, Slone Nungester, Addelita Pryor, Trevor Rock, Addisyn Ruckman, Bryistol Salsar, Elena Santiago, Harper Sasis, Jocelynn Shaffer, Clayton Shepherd, Lillian Suttle, Ah'Nyuah Taylor, Madelynn Thompson, Anthony Weightman, Milla Wertz, McKenzie Wingler and Caylee Yeager

Fifth Grade: Jayden Allen, Karleigh Anderson, Nola Bishop, Bella Blanton, Kailyn Braden, Preston Brannon, Ky-Lyn Byerly, Katrina Carson, Kwintyn Chan, Kaegan Coffey, Robert (Braxton) Cole, Gannon Conway, Baylee Cushard, Alanic Dasher, Shyanna Daugherty, Rylie Davidson, Karsyon Dravenstott, David Elliott, Daevon Endicott, Traevon Endicott, Ian Forbes, Graysen Grove, Izabella Kenner, Eric King, Thomas Kinnan, Gabrielle Kline, Karsynn Lawhorn, Kaeleb Llamas, Kiara Logan, Declan Maddy, Mikah Massey, Liam Miller, Melissa Miller, Macy Moore, Olivia Morris, Rhyland Morris, Ava Owens, Casey Rachel, Madison Redman, Anthony Risch, Alissa Rush, Kendal Shrader, Aryan Spencer, Leo Stantz, Hayden Strain, Shawn Sydnor, Jah'kai Taylor, Liahna Tufts, Jackson Turner, Sarah Weightman, McKenzie Williams, Ethan Wingo and Nevaeh Woods

Sixth Grade: Aleah Bara, Ava Bays, Elijah Benton, Jayley Black, Noah Cogar-Bays, Tynley Cook, Brennan Coulter, McKenna Crank, Dylin Cyrus, Annaka Dasher, Wesley Dawson, Lucas Eckenwiler, Taevon Elder, Gavin Faith, Layla Fliger, Jack Foster, Bella Guardola, Shianna Harper, McKenna Haynes, Kylee Herrick, Solomon Hicks, Colten Hollar, Arenal Hunsinger, Grady Hunt, Bryce Jacobs, Andrew Kippenberger, Lily Ann Klecka, Jordan Lawhorn, Addalyn Lynch, Abigail (Abby) McWilliams, Gabriella Mickouma, Lillian Miller, Jalyonna Nelson, Daniel Norris, Gabriel Prater, Savanna Ransom, Branson Robson, Rylan Rush, Trace Schafer, Chloe Schmidt-Payne, Mackynzie Smith, Garrett Spiess, Nevaeh Spurgeon, Kamden Stober, Ethan Swanger, Ethan Theford, Sofia Thompson, Noah Thornberry, Gweneth (Gwen) Urban, Eddie Walker, Alden Washington, Sean Washington, Cameron Williams and Makynli Young

Seventh Grade: Lillie Baker, Hudeson Bays, Cohen Brandt, Kaley Brown, Caliyah Clapper, Shiana Elliott, Ariel Foote, Chloe Gilbert, Kaelia Gonder, Kayden Graf, Brielle Horn, Haylie Hutcheson, Alexander Jenkins, Isaiah Jones, Adalynn Jordan, Carter Kaufman, Alexander Maddy, Aerianna Massey, Taj'a Melton, Angel Montanez, Everett Murphy, Cameran Musson, Victoria Neal, Chloe Nicole, Landon Parsons, Rachel Porter, Joseph Roberts, Khloe Sayre, Bryson Smith, Ella Sweval, Jocelynn Teeters, Max Thomas, Lily Warren, Maci Whitesel and Phillip Wiggins

Eighth Grade: Zoie Ball, Ivory Balogh, Anna Blanton, Carter Brewster, Jackson Brummett, Kylie Carroll, Destini Conrad, Isabella Conway, Brianna Coulter, Thomas Cox, Gage Cyrus, Lucas Davidson, Landyn Dodd, Micah Finely, Treyvin Glasser, Kaitlyn Haring, Travis Hicks, Chase Hunsinger, Chloe Jeffers, Joshua Maglott, Christopher Manley, Abigail Mcglasson, Aseem Mickouma, Julieanna Miller, Ashley Nikolaus, Avery O'Brien, Kortney Petrik, Dequovi Piigott, Branson Porter, Ellie Powell, Isabel Rush, Zachary Sanders-Winters, Lena Sasis, Brayden Seymour, Jaxson Shaffer, Keeli Stewart, Maria Sturgell, Kristopher Sutton, Daniel Weightman, Emma Wilds, Evan Williams and Knight Wolfe

Freshmen: Lilliana Allen, Megan Bays, Nathan Bittman, Julianna Boliantz, Natalie Brandt, Carter Branham, Haylynn Cherry, Elizabeth Chumbley, Aubrie Clark, Jordan Clark, Micah Clark, Preston Coffman, Aubrey Conn, Caleigh Cook, Laykin Curry, Evan Cyrus, Emily Daugherty, Caliel Davison-Valdry, Piper Donahue, Nathan Evans, Collin Faith, Ashley Gusta, Landon Harvey, Aubrey Hendrickson, Anaysia Henriquez, Maci Hergatt, Alyson Hoak, Aaron Hughes, Randy Jamieson, Drew Kepple, Izabela King, Laney Lewis, Zachariah Loretta, Christopher Lucas, Nathanael Marks, Drayston Martin, Justin McCraney, Deonte McDaniel, Camdyn Neal, Hunter Oney, Olivia Penrod, Cameron Porter, Nathan Riggie, Lily Sanderfer, William Saunders, Katie Smith, Briana Smith, Grady Spurlock, Jaxin Stacombe, Taylor Steffey, Anthony Studer, Kya Swigart, Ashton Taylor, Kayzia Thornley, Jocelyn Turner, Joseph Walker, Audrey Ward and Rudy Webel

Sophomores: Isabella Allen, Olivia Artrip, Chloe Babcock, Nathan Baldinger, Nya Bishop, Allyssa Blasin, Emily Bogner, Emily Brandt, Lillian Brewster, Kirsten Clark, Reagan Cox, Alexis Craig, Paige Darling, Gracie Dotson, Kaianna Flynn, Sean Funk, Lucas Garand, Landon Goad, Zandra Hammond, Ashley Herder, Logan Hoffman, Alyse Huggins, Haylee Isenhardt, Mason Jacobus, Landon Jessop, Kiarra Johnson, Keiaysah Jones, Paige Kerrick, Olivia Kiley, Teddy Lane, Makayla Lewis, Natalie Markle, Gavyne McDaniel, Keira Mooneyham, Rudy Moore, Calvin Nelson, Braden Nungester, Jordan Parnell, Sophia Parsons, Paige Patton, Josslynn Pryor, James Riggie, Madison Sackman, Larissa Sarow, Bresendra Shaum, Ellieanna Shindeldecker, Kaitlynn Smith, Trenton Speelman, Emma Stankovich, Layni Stollings, Lucas Stollings, Maggie Thomas, Owen Wigton and Lela Zehner

Juniors: Damien Anderson, Lybertee Askey, Isaiah Atwell, Ashton Bishop, Leighaja Brown, Pidge Butler, Martin Cano, Hannah Clark,

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• Honor and Merit Rolls

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Kalani Clark , Chloe Dillon, Keelie Duncan, Lillian Forbes, Braylon Gardner, Danielle Golab, Emalie Green, Arionne Hammock, Caitlyn Hubbard, Morgan Ladd, Andrew Liviskie, Lydia Markle, Kylie Martin, Rebekah Matthews, Trinitey Maurer , Louis McKinney, Allie Moysi, Chloe Nelson, Savannah Rachel, Alexis Reedy , Evelina Richardson, Brayden Rogers, Troy Smith, Noah Spillman, Marissa Stanley, Damien Stapleton, Christopher Steffey, Ariyah Stitzel, James Stokes, Harmony Tatum, Michael Thomas, Haylee Vernon and Cayden Williams

Seniors: Breeze Anable, Riley Auflick, Nicholas Bishop, Trevor Bristow, Scott Calderhead, Morgan Crank, Trinity Cyrus, Jaylynn Davis, Mylah Davis, Kaleb Evans, Victoria Freeman, Jayden Goad, Alyssa Hughes, Tori Jackson, Howard Jeffries, Autumn Kaufman, Lauren Keener, Jarrod King, Dalton Knipp, Jacob Lewis, Michael Lown, Crystal Murphy, Aalyiah Nicol, Lydia Nicol, MacKenzie Niemiec, David Parks, Kaleb Prosser, Mackenzie Ridenour, Wyatt Rivers, Mitchell Russell, Nevaeh Sayles, Olivia Schulz, Paige Smith, Nathan Sparacio, Jennaca Tatum, Riley Thomas, Anthony Thorne, Taylor Tucker, Tatum Turcott and Garret Vance



WILLIAM DAMUDE, a 1979 graduate of Madison High School, was inducted into the National Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame: South Carolina Chapter on Sunday, April 2. From 1977-'79 he wrestled at Madison High for Thom Ellis. He was an Ohio wrestling official from 1980-'83. He was assistant coach at Battery Creek High from 1983-'86 and started a wrestling club at Robert Smalls Jr. High. From 1987-'95, he was head wrestling coach at Beaufort High School and began Lowcountry Freestyle Wrestling Club, 1988-2005. He was head wrestling coach at Beaufort High School, 1999-2015. Since 2016, he has been head wrestling coach at John Paul II Catholic School. His overall record is 427-186 and was named Amateur Wrestling News Man of the Year for South Carolina in 1991. He was on the All-Star Coach South Squad in 1993 and 2011. He was South Carolina Coach of the Year in 1992 and a Region Coach of the Year in 1987, 1989 and 1992. He had 121 State Qualifiers, 63 State Placers, 16 State Champions and three High School All-Americans.



STUDENTS IN MRS. RHODES' textile design class at Ontario High School have been busy learning how to thread and operate a sewing machine. Each student sewed together a 14" pillow. Students have also been learning how to hand sew. They learned four different types of stitches and they completed their first sewing project — a felt animal.

Richland County Foundation grants help meet emerging needs

The Richland County Foundation Board of Trustees approved grants totaling \$903,644 during its April meeting.

The foundation is supporting summertime programs focused on children. The trustees approved 30 Summertime Kid grants. The grants of up to \$2,500 were given to support creative, educational, and fun-filled activities for hundreds of Richland County children.

The board approved a Mansfield Rising grant to the Renaissance Performing Arts for Pictures on the Plaza. The Renaissance, Mansfield-Richland County Public Library, Buckeye Imagination Museum and Idea + Works will collaborate to show four outdoor movies this summer in the greenspace between the main theatre and Theater 166.

Five career technical education scholarships were approved for students to earn a certification at a technical institution. The Scholarship Committee implemented a rolling deadline for CTE scholarships to meet various enrollment deadlines. In aligning with Ohio's Attainment Goal, the Foundation wants to help fill the gap between job openings and certified employees as well as lead the way to support workforce development through CTE scholarships.

The board approved grants from donor-advised funds which allow individuals and families the opportunity to make grant suggestions to favorite charities. Donor-advised funds are a flexible and convenient alternative to a private foundation. It is also a way to keep charitable contributions anonymous, at the preference of the donor.

The following organizations received grants from donor-advised funds: 33 Forever, Inc., Akron Children's Hospital, American Red Cross – East Central Ohio Chapter, Black Outside Inc., Buckeye Council Boy Scouts of America, Buckeye Imagination Museum, Catalyst Life Services, Domestic Violence Shelter, The Downtown Arts Theater, Inc., Downtown Mansfield, Inc., Fearless Fighters Foundation, Friends of the Richland County Park District, Galion Community Theatre, HealthNetwork Foundation, Junior Achievement, Kingwood Center Gardens, Lexington Baseball and Softball Association, Lucas Community Center, Mansfield Art Center, Mid-Ohio Civic Opera, City of Mansfield, Mansfield Christian School, Mansfield City Schools, Mary McLeod-Bethune Intervention & Enrichment Center, North Central Ohio Industrial Museum, North End Community Improvement Collaborative, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Raemelon Therapeutic Equestrian Center, Richland Community Development Group, Renaissance Performing Arts, Richland Carrousel Park, Richland County Soil & Water Conservation District, Richland Pregnancy Services, Salvation Army, St. Peter's School, Summer Stage Wooster, Richland County Children's Auxiliary/The New Store, United Way of Richland County, Unstoppable Youth Sports, Wayne Center for the Arts, Wishes Can Happen, Wooster Youth Shakespeare and YMCA of North Central Ohio.

Senate Passes Brenner Bill helping spouses of disabled veterans

The Ohio Senate passed a bill sponsored by State Senator Andrew Brenner (R-Delaware) that will expand the situations in which surviving spouses of disabled veterans may receive the "homestead" tax exemption.

The special enhanced exemption of \$50,000 is available for the homesteads of military veterans who are rated as totally disabled by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. If the disabled veteran dies, the veteran's surviving spouse may continue to claim this exemption until the spouse dies or remarries.

Currently, a surviving spouse may claim the exemption only if the disabled veteran received a total disability rating and qualified for exemption before the veteran's death. Senate Bill 43 allows a surviving spouse to claim the exemption in the rare case that the veteran applies for a total disability rating but dies before receiving it.

"This bill addresses an oversight in current law that left surviving spouses of veterans in the rare but unfortunate situation of having applied for disability status but died before their application was accepted," said Brenner. "Our veterans are not the only ones who make tremendous sacrifices for our country – their families do, as well. I would like to thank the constituent who brought this to my attention for her outreach, and her and husband's service to our country."



Paonia Reservoir, Colorado • Photo By Mark Shutt

Hospice of NCO receives \$1,300 impact grant for grief camp

The Ashland County Community Foundation has approved a grant in the amount of \$1,300 for Hospice of North Central Ohio's 2023 "Camp Hope" children's bereavement camp. The grant was made upon the recommendation of the IMPACT Youth Council at ACCF. The grant is designated for a "Butterfly Memorial Release" which is an important and meaningful component of the camp's activities.

Rebecca Fister, MSW and bereavement camp supervisor stated, "We have used the butterfly release as the basis for our closing ceremony for Camp Hope for the past several years. It is a time of reflection for both the campers and the staff to think about lost loved ones. Watching the faces of the campers as they watch their butterfly begin to move and then to fly is heart-warming, sad, hopeful. The Butterfly Release is identified by both campers and staff as one of the most moving parts of camp."

Camp Hope was created by HNCO in 1996 to address a growing need to provide a safe and supportive environment for grieving children who have lost a loved one through death to tell their story while a trained staff and dedicated team of volunteers provide validation for their feelings. The 2023 Camp Hope is scheduled for June 16, 17, 26 and 27 at Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp in southern Ashland County. Grieving children ages 6-17 are eligible to attend.

For more information contact HNCO at 800-952-2207 or visit www.myhnco.org.

Senior Spring Extravaganza to be held for Older Americans Month

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. will hold a Senior Spring Extravaganza on May 11 at 10 am at the Richland County Fairgrounds in Mansfield.

This free event, hosted by the Area Agency on Aging, is held in recognition of Older Americans Month, and offers guests entertainment, refreshments, resources, information regarding aging issues, and a chance to win door prizes.

The Area Agency on Aging will Shake, Rattle and Roll into the 1950s with the Administration for Community Living theme Aging Unbound! This year, we want to celebrate our senior citizens with an on-site classic car show, entertainer Randy Velez will be singing the oldies but goodies, free lunch, BINGO, and much more.

Sponsorships, Vendor Booths, and Car Show slots are available but must register. To become a sponsor, please visit www.aaa5ohio.org/events/senior-spring-extravaganza/.

The event will be held in person in two buildings and the parking lot. For more information, contact the Area Agency on Aging at 567-247-6487.

The agency provides leadership, collaboration, coordination, and services to older adults, people with disabilities and their caregivers.

Grant will provide funding for Holocaust and genocide educational programs

The Ohio Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission (OHGMEC) is partnering with Ohio Humanities to launch an inaugural grant program funding educational projects and programming in communities across the state about the Holocaust and genocide.

“The commission will enable institutions both large and small to receive funding that will support Holocaust and genocide education programming throughout Ohio,” said OHGMEC Executive Director Andrea Brookover. “We’re thrilled to provide support for existing programs and new initiatives alike through this year’s grant awards.”

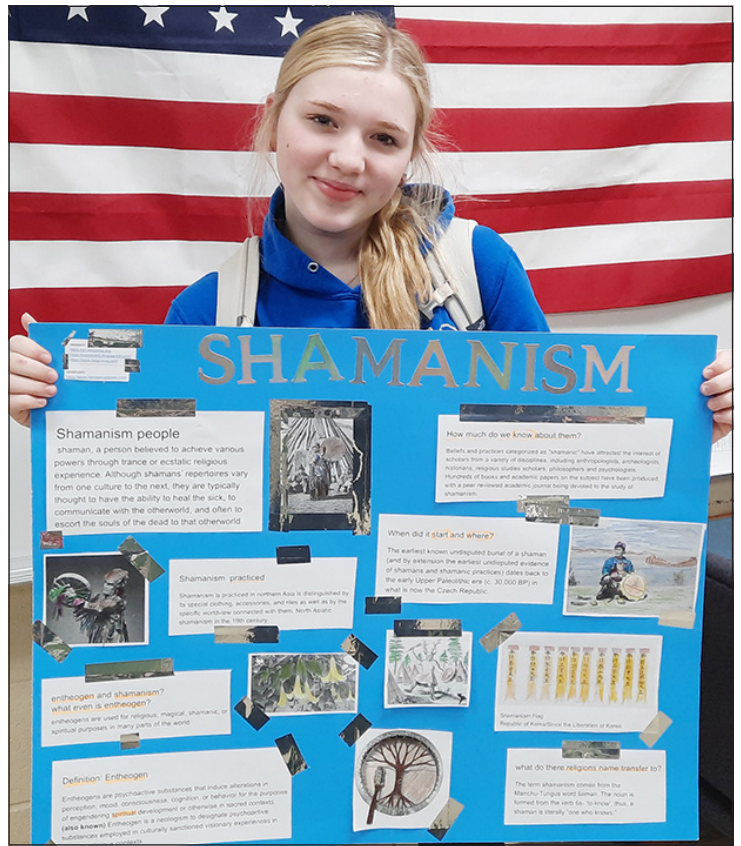
To be eligible for a grant, applicants must be not-for-profit, educational or governmental organizations with a mission and/or project that educates about and/or memorializes the Holocaust and/or other genocides. OHGMEC grants are not available to individuals, for-profit organizations or political or advocacy organizations.

Applications will be accessible the week of April 17 and will be accepted until the deadline of Friday, May 12. Grant amounts will be up to \$10,000, and funded projects must be performed between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024. Full grant guidelines can be found on the OHGMEC website.

Ohio Humanities and OHGMEC will host a webinar on April 24, at 11 am for potential applicants.

The OHGMEC was established by the Ohio General Assembly in December 2020. The commission is charged with gathering and disseminating Holocaust and genocide educational resources and promoting awareness of issues relating to the Holocaust and genocide while advising state government officials on these relevant issues.

To learn more visit the grants page at holocaust.ohio.gov. For assistance navigating the application process contact grants@ohiohumanities.org.



Earth Day celebrated with cleanups

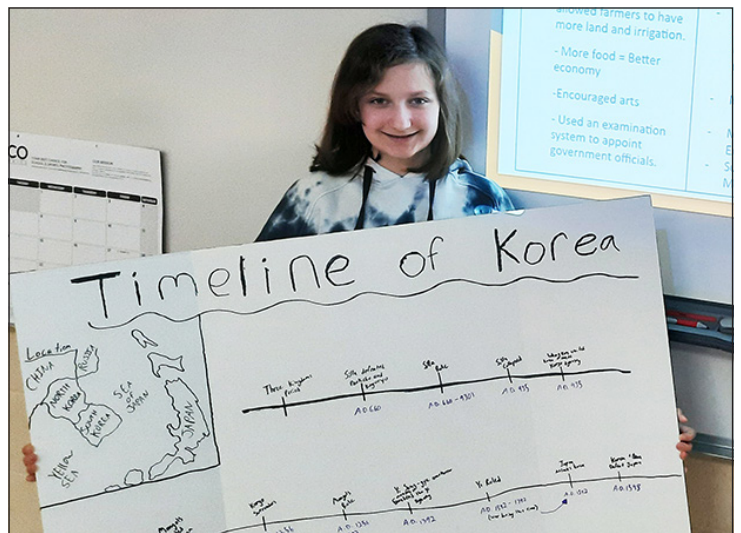
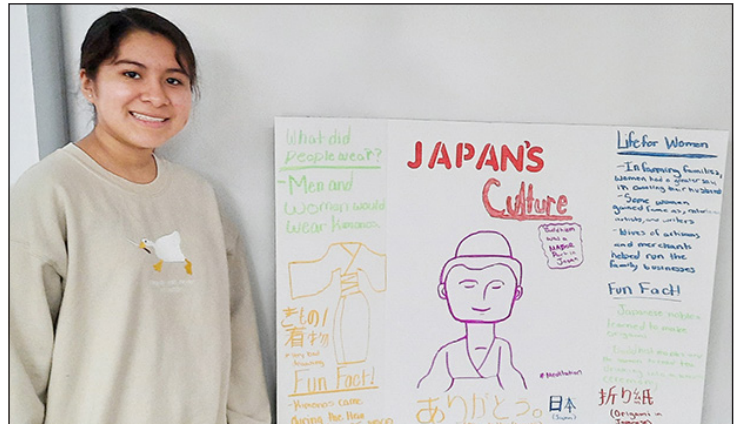
Earth Day is April 22, and the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) is celebrating with an Earth Day Cleanup Challenge.

“The MWCD lakes provide a destination for millions in our region to enjoy outdoor recreation,” says Adria Bergeron, Director of Marketing and Communications. “Keeping the water and shoreline clean is imperative for wildlife to thrive and the lakes beautiful. Earth Day serves as a reminder of our responsibility to care for nature and our environment and to engage with the community for their help. The MWCD Rangers and staff conduct cleanups year-round, not just on Earth Day. We are inviting the public to get involved by attending an organized clean-up to earn a free night of camping, or clean-up on their own and enter to win a cooler full of goodies, as our way of saying thank you.”

Organized cleanups will be held at MWCD lakes on April 15 at Charles Mill, Clendening, Piedmont and Pleasant Hill Lakes.

Additional clean-ups will be held on April 22 at Atwood, Tappan and Seneca Lakes. (Free camping coupons will be issued one per household.) The Cleanup Challenge is a great opportunity for groups to help with community projects and service. For groups wishing to participate, please contact Ethan Zucal at 330-556-4814 or ezucal@mwcd.org. Cleanup details for each lake are available at www.MWCD.org.

Those unable to attend an organized clean-up are encouraged to grab a pair of gloves and a trash bag to pick up litter between Saturday, April 15 and Sunday, April 23. Post photos of your cleanup to an MWCD Facebook or Instagram page using #MWCDEarthDay2023 and be entered into a drawing for a cooler filled with prizes and a gift certificate.

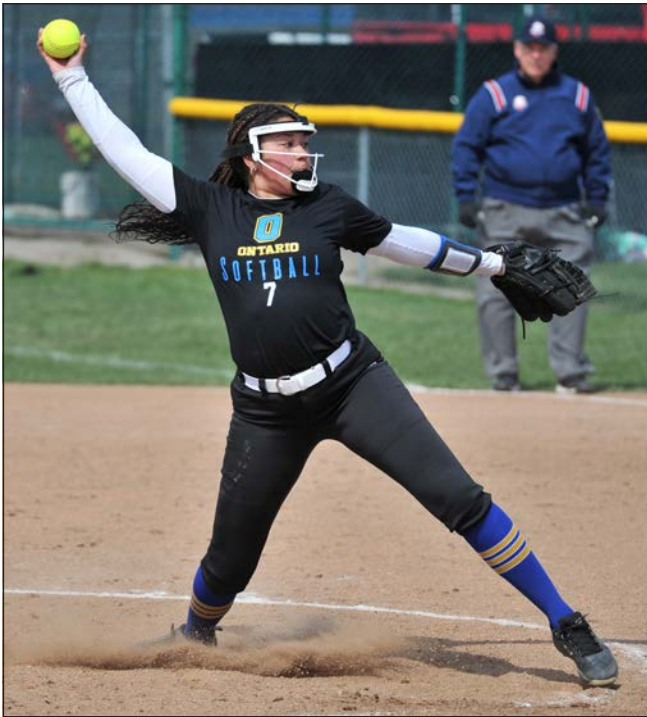


MR. JOHNSON'S seventh grade Social Studies class at Ontario High School has been sharing projects from Japan and SE Asia.

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Ontario Warrior swimmers honored for exceptional year

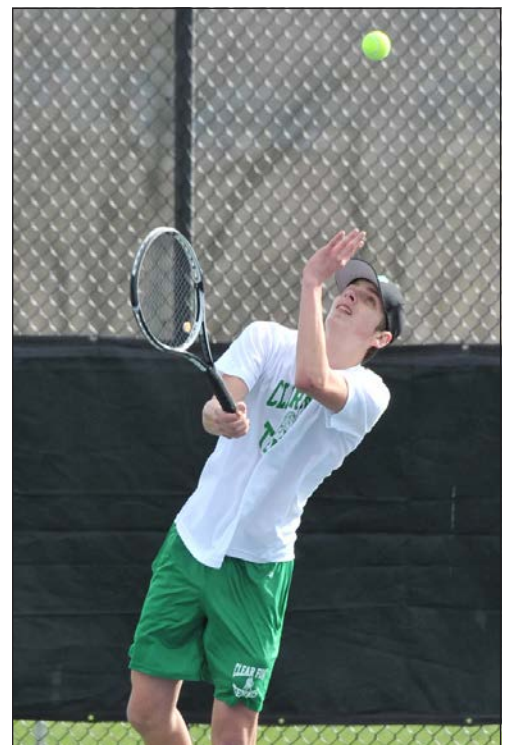
The Warrior swim teams received numerous awards at their year-end awards ceremony last month. Abbreviations are DQ, District Qualifier; SA, Scholar Athlete; and V, Varsity Letter.

Awards were presented to: Kaity Barnett JV-1; Katie Bolin, V-2, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC, Most Improved; Sasha Bulakovski, V-1, DQ, SA; Tessa Crum, V-1, DQ, 1st Team MOAC, All Ohio State; Haley Damron, V-3, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC; Jayden Dechert, V-4, SA, All Ohio and All American Academic; Makayla Dickson V-1; Ezri Farley, JV-3; Ellie Martinez V-3, Coaches Award; Sky Lui, V-2, SA; Kaylee Lynch, V-1, SA; Rowan McManes, V-1, SA; Delaney Moritz, JV-1, SA; Journey Ross, JV-1; Lily Secrist, V-1, SA, DQ; Elaina Seif, V-2, SA, DQ; Alexia SESCO, V-1, SA; Joie Simmering, V-1, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC, All Ohio State; Grace Them, V-1, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC, All Ohio State; Brienne Trumpower, V-4, District Champ, SA, MOAC Champ, All Ohio State, All Ohio and American Academic, MVP, 8 school records; Logan Bernat, V-2, DQ, MOAC champ, All Ohio State; Colin Cordrey, V-4, DQ, MOAC champ, All Ohio State, MVP, 2 school records; Aiden Fox, V-1, DQ; Zach McChristy JV-2, Coaches Award; Duncan McLean, V-3, DQ, SA, MOAC champ, All Ohio State, All Ohio Academic; Hunter Petit, V-3, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC, All Ohio State, MVP, 2 school records; Wyatt Rietschlin, V-1; Evan Ruhe, V-1, DQ, SA, 1st Team MOAC, All Ohio State, Most Improved; Alex Rose, V-3, DQ, SA, MOAC Champ, All Ohio State, 2 school records; Canaan Wentz, V-1, SA; David Yan, JV-2; Richard Ye, V-1, SA, Coaches Award; and Grantham Trumpower, V-1, DQ, MOAC Champ, All Ohio State, 2 school records.



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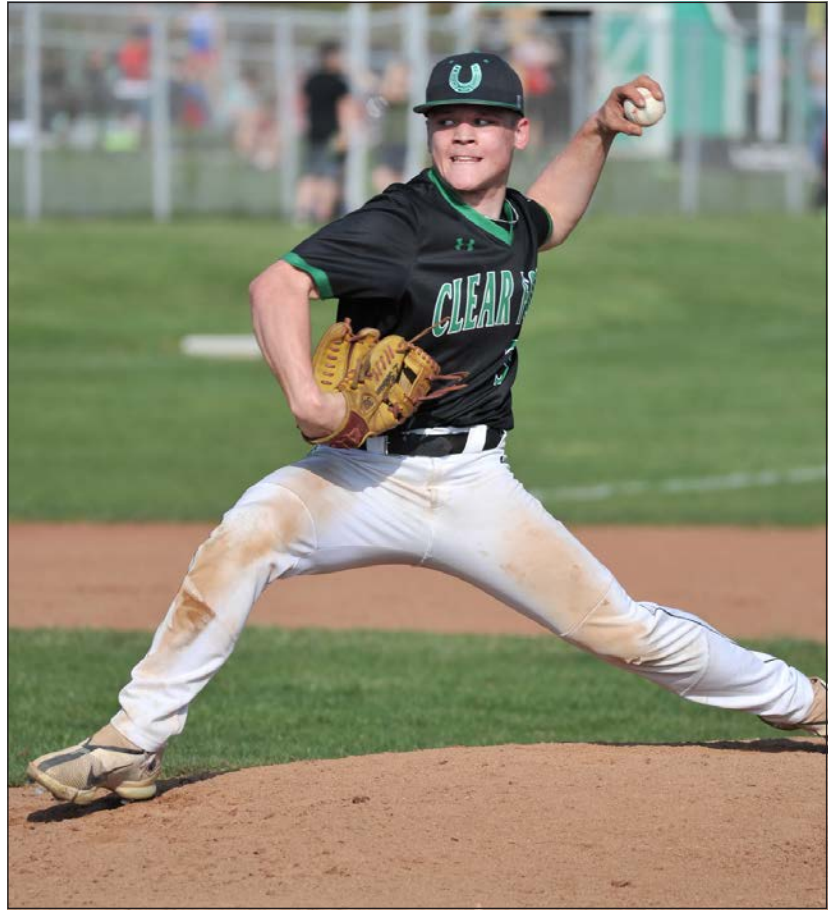
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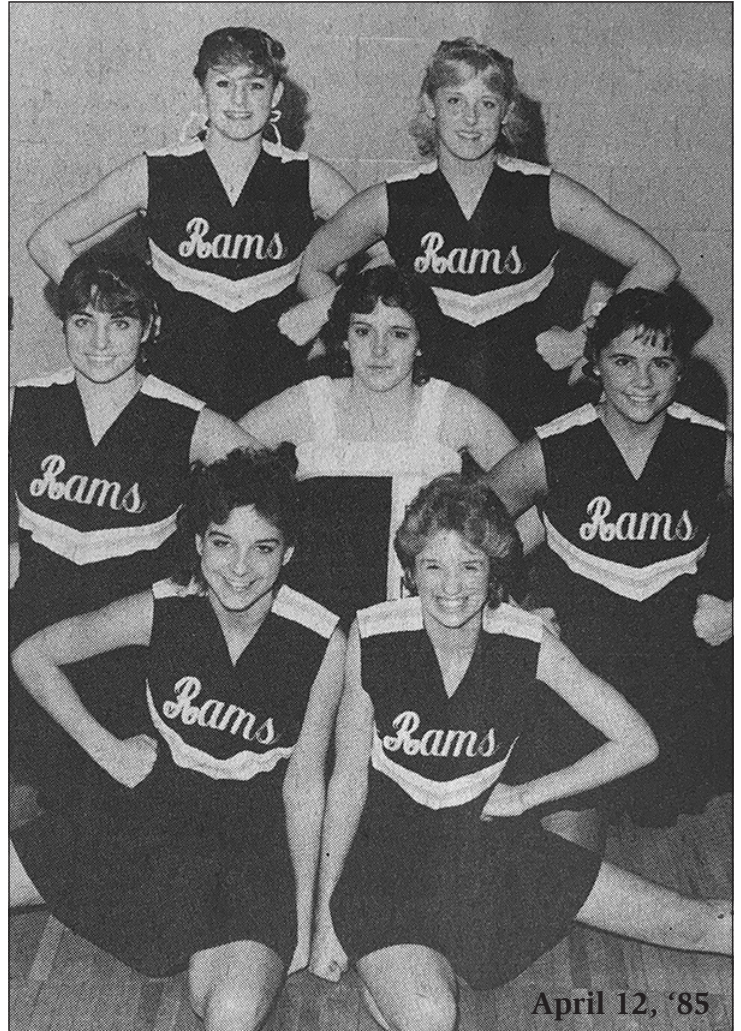
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April 10, '86

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BOBETTE JAYNES of Lexington shows the style which she used to pitch the Minutemaids girls softball team past Mansfield St. Peter's in the season opener, 24-4. Laura Zerby led the offensive attack for Lexington with four hits.



April 12, '85

Marc Stumbo

MADISON VARSITY CHEERLEADERS — The new varsity cheerleaders were chosen recently at Madison Comprehensive High School. They are (front) Wendy Au and Dawn Wirick; (middle) Gretchen Balliett, JoAnn Stumbaugh and Debbie Baumberger; and (back) Amy Swartz and Helynn Karr.



George Billman

LARRY HANNON of the Lexington Lions Club presents a check to Helen Graham who represents the local Soap Box Derby Association. The Lions also presented a check to the Lexington High School Academic Booster organization. April 10, '86

This Day in History — On April 13, 1970, disaster strikes 200,000 miles from Earth when oxygen tank No. 2 blows up on Apollo 13, the third manned lunar landing mission. Astronauts James A. Lovell, John L. Swigert, and Fred W. Haise had left Earth two days before for the Fra Mauro highlands of the moon but were forced to turn their attention to simply making it home alive. Mission commander Lovell reported to mission control on Earth: "Houston, we've had a problem here," and it was discovered that the normal supply of oxygen, electricity, light, and water had been disrupted. The landing mission was aborted, and the astronauts and controllers on Earth scrambled to come up with emergency procedures. The crippled spacecraft continued to the moon, circled it, and began a long, cold journey back to Earth. The astronauts and mission control were faced with enormous logistical problems in stabilizing the spacecraft and its air supply, and providing enough energy to the damaged fuel cells to allow successful reentry into Earth's atmosphere. Navigation was another problem, and Apollo 13's course was repeatedly corrected with dramatic and untested maneuvers. On April 17, with the world anxiously watching, tragedy turned to triumph as the Apollo 13 astronauts touched down safely in the Pacific Ocean. (*history.com*)

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Separate sealed bids for the 2023 Resurfacing Program, City of Ontario, Ohio will be received by Kris Knapp, Service-Safety Director, at 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio 44906 until 10:30am, local time Monday April 24, 2023, and then, at said office, publicly opened and read aloud.

Contractors will be required to purchase and download an electronic set of plans and bid documents via the KEM Web Site by visiting <https://kemccartney.com/project-bids/>. If you would prefer a hard copy be mailed, we will do so upon receipt of payment in the amount of \$50.00 per set, along with your UPS or FedEx account number so that shipping charges can be applied to your account. Checks shall be made payable to K.E. McCartney & Associates and all documents become the property of the prospective bidder, with no portion of the payment being refunded. Should you have any questions during the bidding process please contact jburgholder@kemccartney.com.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities. Contract will be awarded based on the lowest and best bid. The City of Ontario may reject any or all bids on any basis and without disclosure of reason. The failure to make such disclosure shall not result in accrual of any right, claim or cause of action by any unsuccessful bidder against the City of Ontario.

Each bid must be accompanied by either an Ohio Revised Code Section 153.571 Bid and Performance Payment Bond in an amount equal to 100% of the bid; or, a cashier's check, bid bond, letter of credit to be duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon, a surety company approved by the Owner in the amount of 10% of the bid.

Each bid must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The Owner intends and requires that Dunlap Drive, including the parking lots, be completed by June 16, 2023. All remaining work for the project shall be completed by September 1, 2023.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Richland County and City of Ontario, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, 614-644-2239.

Kris Knapp
Service Safety Director
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 4-6, 13 '23) 67L

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The project description is as follows:- Construct 450 feet of new sidewalk along the west side of Shelby Ontario Road (C.R. 144) starting at the intersection of Pearl St. and extending north to the existing walk at the school. The project includes new curb and gutter, curb ramps, sidewalks, traffic control, and drainage improvements.

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Each bidder is required to furnish with its bid, a Bid Guaranty and Contract bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond Form shall be issued by a Surety company or corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each bid must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio Products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of the Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and the Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

Bidders must comply with the Davis Bacon prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Richland County and Ontario, Ohio as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor.

The Owner intends and requires that this project be completed by October 27, 2023.

Kris Knapp
Service Safety Director
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 4-13 '23) 83L

OhioHealth to lift masking requirements for most patients, staff and visitors

Due to decreasing community spread and higher immunity in our communities, OhioHealth will end the masking requirement for asymptomatic individuals in all hospitals, outpatient care centers and physician offices beginning Friday, April 14.

Masking may be required for visitors based on specific patient situations, such as when a patient is in isolation. Masks are also recommended for visitors if they are experiencing any respiratory symptoms.

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