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**REPRESENTATIVES FROM** Modern Woodmen Fraternal Financial donated snacks to the Lexington Police Department. Pictured are Lt. Neuenschwander, Greg Boyce, Jon Dech and Andrew Stofer. "We're so happy to support our community in this way," said Boyce. Coordinated by local Modern Woodmen members, the fraternal financial services organization's Summit chapters, chapters and youth service clubs provide opportunities for members to take part in social and educational activities and volunteer projects to meet local needs. For more information or to get involved, contact Boyce at 419-571-2539.

## Entertainment scheduled at Richland County Fair's Nature Park

The Richland County Fair returns Aug. 6-12, with events planned at the Nature Park. At the Nature Park guests can relax on new benches shaded by large trees and surrounded by native plant gardens, enjoy natural resources and environmental programs and listen to live music.

Programs and entertainment at the Nature Park are free with paid admission to the fair. The park is across from the "Big Red Barn."

Stop in the Nature Park exhibit space, located behind the stage, Monday through Friday from 11 am to 7 pm for kids activities and to learn more about conservation, recycling, stormwater and litter prevention.

The Kids Scavenger Hunt will be held on Wednesday from 11 am to 2 pm for a chance to win prizes donated by Richland County Solid Waste Management Authority. Entries will be put into a drawing for three different prizes drawn at noon, 1 pm and 2 pm.

### Nature Park stage events will include:

Sunday, Aug. 6, 7 pm, Live music with Mercy and Grace, gospel

Monday, Aug. 7, 3 pm, "Turtles of Richland County," Richland County Park District; 4 pm, "Malabar Farm - A Hidden Gem in Richland County," Mark Sommer, Park Naturalist; and 7 pm, Live music with the Mid-Ohio Band

Tuesday, Aug. 8, 3 pm, Reading and activities of *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* with Richland Soil and Water Conservation District; 4 pm, "Native Pollinator Landscaping — Backyards for Pollinators," Bill Flanagan Richland County Master Gardener; and 7 pm, Live music with Matt Goodrich

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 11 am, Kids Scavenger Hunt; 3 pm, "Snakes of Richland County," Richland County Park District; 4 pm, Meet Nathan and his Black Labrador Retriever, May, from the ODNR, Div. of Wildlife K9 Unit; and 7 pm, Live music with Oolong Gurus Band, country/rock and roll

Thursday, Aug. 10, 3 pm, "Basic Beekeeping," Richland Area Beekeepers Association; 4 pm, "Reduce Your Stormwater Footprint — Simple Conservation Practices," Kim Hildreth, City of Mansfield Engineering; and 7 pm, Live music with Taylor Schlupp, acoustic trio

Friday, Aug. 11, 3 pm, "Live Bird of Prey Demonstration," The Ohio Bird Sanctuary; 4 pm, "Building Natural Connections," presentation and hands-on activity with Kingwood Center Gardens; and 7 pm, Live music with Calling All Rednecks

Saturday, Aug. 12, 7 pm, Live music with SB Music, classic rock

## Madison BOE ready for new school year

Madison Local School District Board of Education met July 19, in the Madison Middle School Auditoria.

Presentations were given by Mike Yost, transportation supervisor; and Steve Crist, operations supervisor.

The board approved contracting with Li-

sa Thoman-Cha as a consultant for transition services and training beginning Aug. 1, on an as-needed basis at an hourly rate of \$36.31 per hour.

Resignations were accepted from April Harsh, fifth grade math and science teacher at the middle school, effective June 26, 2023; and James Them, Intervention Specialist, effective

Hired for the 2023-'24 are Amy O'Connell, Intervention Specialist (Cross Categorical) at the high school; Madelyn Schlauch, first grade teacher, Eastview; Elaine Beeghly, fifth grade (ELA and social studies), middle school; and Cody Barker, Intervention Specialist (content: ELA), middle school.

Christine Vermillion has been awarded the fifth grade math and science position at the middle school, replacing April Harsh.

Matt Godsil was hired as the high school art teacher for the 2023-'24 school year.

Supplemental positions for the 2023-'24 school year were awarded to Bryan Mosier, head varsity wrestling coach; Teddy Haring, 1/2 assistant varsity wrestling coach; Chad Hutcheson, 1/2 assistant varsity wrestling coach; Ian Harter, 1/2 assistant varsity wrestling coach; Kyle Conke, 1/2 assistant varsity wrestling coach; Nick Melton, fall game manager; and Kalen Oslie, winter game manager.

Madison Adult Career Center positions were awarded to Kelly Clements, medical assisting/phlebotomy instructor; Stacey

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## Senior Day planned at Richland County Fair

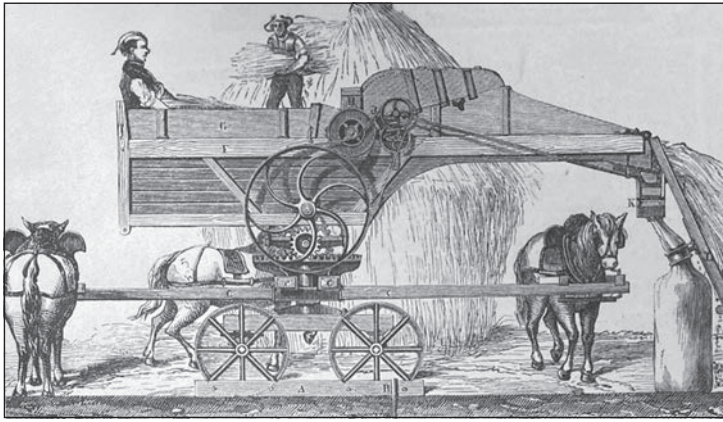
The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging Inc. will host its annual Senior Day at the Red Barn as a part of Senior Citizen Day at the Richland County Fair.

Senior Day at the Red Barn will be on Monday, Aug. 7 (Senior Citizen Day) in the Red Barn at the Richland County Fairgrounds in Mansfield, Ohio, from 9 am to 2 pm.

The Red Barn will showcase many resources and programs available to older adults and caregivers, including diabetes self-management information, fall prevention exercises, blood pressure checks, vaccines awareness and COVID-19 Boosters, and much more. Several community-based organizations will also be in attendance to provide outreach and education, including Third Street Family Health Services and the Ohio Consumers' Council.

The Area Agency on Aging will provide music, fun, and prizes.





# A Horse Mill In Downtown Mansfield?

By Bob Carter

When Richland County was nearly thirty miles square in 1840, there were 190 water powered mills of all kinds. These included saw mills, gristmills, flax and oil mills, woolen mills — you name it. But there was one mill in downtown Mansfield — the horse and oxen powered mill of Clement Pollock. History describes the operation as follows;

*Baughman's History of Richland County:* The first mill in Mansfield was located where the jail now stands, (now the site of the court house). It was built by Clement Pollock. It was a tread mill operated by three yoke of oxen. The mill was a duplex and it ground corn and sawed wood."

"Robert Pollock erected and operated a carding mill on East Fourth Street near Adams. It was propelled by horse power, and simply made rolls and prepared wool for the spinning wheel."

*The Mansfield Gazette*, July 1, 1824: "Stephen Lindley takes over management of the Robert Pollock carding machine in Mansfield.

*The Mansfield Gazette*, June 14, 1827 also wrote:

### Carding

"The subscriber having purchased the stand lately occupied by Robert Pollock in Mansfield, intend to carry on business of wool carding. They have machines in complete order, they have also hired an experienced hand to attend the machines; work will be done in good order on reasonable terms. Most kinds of produce will be taken in payment, such as flax seed, flax, tallow, bees wax, oats, rye, wheat, etc. — Samuel & Michael Douglas"

The horse mills did not last long. The horses had to be fed, watered, cleaned up after and sheltered. The coming of water powered woolen mills put them out of business. After all, the water was free.


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 **THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER**  
 — By Ian Stumbo —

Christopher Nolan's *Oppenheimer* is one of the best films of 2023 and deserves to be a huge player at Oscar time. Adapted from a novel, this is the story of J. Robert Oppenheimer, the physicist who went from teaching to becoming acclaimed in his field so much that he was recruited by the United States government to develop and ultimately test a nuclear bomb that was eventually used in World War II.

Cillian Murphy gives the performance of his career as Oppenheimer. He does so much with his eyes and even with very little expression says so much. We seem many facets of Oppenheimer's life from his womanizing and eventual marriage to his wife Kitty (very well played by Emily Blunt) to his asking a commanding officer, played by Matt Damon, to build him an entire town in New Mexico so his work would be uninterrupted, and his team would have all of the resources they need.

At a three-hour run time, most people would cringe at just the thought of that though the way Nolan makes it in a non-linear fashion and representing some time periods in black and white and others in color, really helps the movie go along at a great pace. *Oppenheimer* is extremely dialogue heavy which is rare for Nolan since he has helmed some truly action-packed films like *The Dark Knight Trilogy*, *Inception*, *Tent*, *Interstellar* and *Dunkirk*. Thinking of the scene when the bomb is tested and how Nolan builds up to it still makes my hair stand up.

Though, the dialogue works so well because he gets a tremendous cast to work with.

Florence Pugh, Jason Clarke, Rami Malek, Josh Harnett, Benny Safdie, David Krumholtz, Matthew Modine, Tom Conti and Kenneth Branagh are just a few of the celebrities who pop up for sometimes brief, sometimes more than one scene appearances and all bring their A game. The standout supporting performance is certainly Robert Downey, Jr. It's easy to forget



what a great actor he is because he really has been playing Iron Man for the past decade. He plays Lewis Strauss, a man who once admired Oppenheimer and then grew great resent and hatred for him over the years. Downey, Jr gets some powerful scenes and moments and should also be remembered at Oscar time.

It's not every day that a director gets a chance to make a film like this and Christopher Nolan has been proving for a long time he is one the greatest directors of his generation and his movies are really must-see events just to see what subject he tackles next. Filmed in IMAX and doing big business in IMAX theaters throughout the country and using only practical effects, *Oppenheimer* is a terrific story of one man who we are asked to root for and then feel bad for all within the span of a film. Nolan tackles this subject well and this is an excellent film and one of the best of the year.



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# News Briefs

The Korean War Armistice 70th Year Commemoration (June 25, 1950 – July 27, 1953) will be recognized with the movie *Devotion*, an epic true story set during the Korean War.

The film will be shown to the public twice at no charge at The OSU Mansfield Campus' Riedl Hall on Saturday, July 29, at 11 am and 2 pm. A panel discussion will be moderated by Prof. Joseph Fahy at 1:30 pm. No reservations are required and there is parking nearby with no steps. For information call 419-755-4045.

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TFC Global Ministry will host a picnic at Shelby Senior Center July 29 from 6–7:30 pm.

TFC Global has been supplying chaplaincy services at the Central Ohio Industrial Park for more than a year. The ministry has met with company contacts to provide chaplaincy services to employees and staff at the COIP complex on a weekly basis.

The ministry also is involved in converting old curbside newspaper boxes into magazine stands that are helping to get the Highway News Magazine into the hands of drivers and others.

The picnic menu is hamburgers, hotdogs, potatoes, coleslaw, chips and drinks. A freewill offering will be accepted to keep the Shelby chaplaincy services open and growing. Ministry highlights will be provided by Stanley Wertz, head chaplain with FC Global Ministry.

All community members are invited. Wertz may be reached at 717-947-8800 or stanleyw@tfcglobal.org.

Donations will help pay for TFC Global's mission to reach professional drivers and the trucking industry for Jesus Christ. Donations may be made to TFC Global, Box 293 Mansfield, OH, 44901.

For information visit <https://www.facebook.com/tfcglobalohio>.

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First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West, Mansfield, offers 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 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 Madison Local School District Board of Education will hold a special meeting on Thursday, July 27, at 4 pm at the Madison Board of Education office, 1379 Grace St., Mansfield.

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The City of Ontario Zoning Report was released for June by Zoning Inspector Michael Morton.

Permits were issued to Michael Moody, Hemlock, above ground pool; Lowell Spencer, Victoria Ct., shed; Todd Sloboda, Deer Ridge Ln., double; Culver's, N. Lexington Springmill Rd.; and Salah Abboud, W. Fourth St., change of use.

Driveway permits were issued to Patty Fleming, Lewis Rd.; and Culver's, N. Lexington Springmill Rd.

Other permits were issued to Culver's, N. Lexington Springmill Rd., storm water, pre-site plan and finished site permit; Hatherton Enterprises, Walker Lake Rd., daycare center, conditional zoning permit; and Patty Fleming, Lewis Rd., gavel driveway. ★

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 Aug. 16 will include turkey. Dale Powers will perform rock and roll. Cost is \$15 for the meal. Guests are welcome. For information visit [www.lexasc.org](http://www.lexasc.org). Dues are \$10 per year.

The group will meet for lunch Aug. 2 at Open Door Café in Lucas.

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Little Flock Fellowship Church invites all kids ages preschool through sixth grade to attend a Vacation Bible School July 24–28 from 6–8 pm nightly. The church is located at 1149 Co. Rd. 30A, Ashland, just outside of Mifflin. There will be songs, games, snacks,

Bible teaching, crafts and prizes with a cookout on Friday evening to wrap up the week. For information call the church at 419-368-7705.

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The Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center will have free produce giveaways on the fourth Monday of the Month, April thru October. Dates will be 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.

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The Lexington Depot's meal schedule for July has been released. Meals are served at the Lexington Senior Civic Center, 67 E. Main St., Lexington, from 11 am to 2 pm. The meal is July 27 is a sandwich and salad. For information call 419-884-1676.

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A free produce distribution to the community is held the second Tuesday of each month, April through November. The distribution is held in First English Lutheran Church's west parking lot at 53 Park Ave. W., at S. Mulberry St. Hours this year are 10:30 am to 12:30 pm and the food is free to anyone. Bring a valid ID. The fresh produce is provided by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. For information call the church at 419-522-0662.

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The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. announced a change of date for the September 2023 Corporate Board of Trustees meeting from Sept. 14 to Sept. 26.

For additional information contact Susie Danuloff at [sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org](mailto:sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org) or 567-247-7105.

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To end the Adult Summer Reading program, "All Together Now", the Crestline Public Library will host a movie night, Aug. 1, at 5:30 pm. The friendship movie *Beaches* rated PG 13, begins at 5:30. Snacks are provided.

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All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will host an All Souls Congregation Poetry Slam at 10:30 am on July 30.

Members of the congregation will be encouraged to sign up and stand on stage and recite their chosen work with a heavy focus on intonation and inflection. Slam poetry, or spoken word poetry, is an art form that allows the poet to get across their point of view and express their emotions using the power of words, rhythm and rhyme.

For more information visit [www.allsoulsuohio.org](http://www.allsoulsuohio.org).

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The Fun Center Chordsmen's 2nd Annual Summer Concert featuring the Chordsmen and Quartets and director Trevor Garrabrant.

The concert will be held at Marshall Park Bandshell, 3375 Milligan Rd., Ontario on Monday, Aug. 28, at 6:30 pm. The event is open to the public.

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



**MIFFLIN TOWNSHIP FIRE** Department's Firefighter Felicia Baker was promoted to Captain.



# RCDG selected as part of Microsoft's National TechSpark Program

Richland Community Development Group (RCDG) announced that it will be working with Microsoft TechSpark to foster inclusive economic opportunity, job creation and innovation in Richland County.

Technology is reshaping how people work, yet many do not have the digital skills needed to succeed in the changing workforce. Richland Community Development Group and the Mansfield-Richland Area Educational Foundation (Chamber Foundation) will develop and deliver solutions to close the digital skills gap for young people and adults.

The shared vision of RCDG, the Chamber Foundation, and the Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development is to foster a Richland County network of thriving communities, businesses, and people working together collaboratively to enhance the quality of life for all. This effort will be supported by a Microsoft grant to fund a TechSpark Community Engagement Fellow, who will spearhead local efforts, working with local partners to provide inclusive digital skilling. This Fellowship represents the first time TechSpark has worked in Ohio.

Chamber Foundation Director Angie Cirone will serve as the TechSpark Community Engagement Fellow. "TechSpark is a win for Richland County," Cirone said. "The training we develop will allow young people and adults to gain the digital skills and AI fluency they need to be competitive in local workplaces that are increasingly driven by technology."

"This is exciting news for RCDG and the Chamber Foundation to receive this grant and represent the entire state of Ohio," said Representative Marilyn John, Ohio's 76th House District. "This opportunity speaks volumes to their hard work and investment in our

community."

"Since we launched TechSpark in 2017, we've helped communities secure more than \$125 million in funding and helped create thousands of jobs," said Kate Behncken, Corporate Vice President, Microsoft Philanthropies. "By expanding TechSpark to all 50 states, we hope to continue our hyperlocal, partner-driven work to help communities realize the potential of technology and foster greater economic opportunity."

Earlier this year, Microsoft announced the expansion of its TechSpark program to tackle digital inclusion in four focus areas: digital access, digital skills, computer science education, and digital transformation with local based organizations. Since its inception in 2017, TechSpark has helped its eight communities secure more than \$125 million in community funding, skill 55,000 people, and create 3,300 jobs. Read more about Microsoft TechSpark here.

The Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development, Richland Community Development Group, and Mansfield-Richland Area Educational Foundation work together to champion community excellence, cultivate quality talent and foster economic strength.

## Snopik named to president's list at YSU

Cassandra Snopik, of Mansfield, Ohio, majoring in Business Administration, has been named to Youngstown State University's President's List for achieving a perfect 4.0 grade point average in the Spring Semester 2023.

To be eligible for the list, honorees must be full-time undergraduate students with a 4.0 GPA for least 12 semester hours of classes.

# 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 Acasta  
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 Nezirick  
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  
"A Refuge for Hymn-singers!"

### 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  
Pastor Faith Prioretti  
10 am Sunday Worship

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**TRINITY GRACE FELLOWSHIP**, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area), welcomed new pastor, Larry Carnes, and his wife Linda during a block party celebration July 23. The church recently underwent a name and affiliation change. Trinity is now a Global Methodist church. Services are held every Sunday morning at 9:30 am. For information visit <http://www.trinitygracefellowship.org>, email [secretary@trinitygracefellowship.org](mailto:secretary@trinitygracefellowship.org) or call 419-589-5890 Monday through Thursday from 8 am to noon.

## Red Cross donors can win shark dive trip, receive \$10 gift card

After a summer of declining donations, the American Red Cross needs the public's help to prevent a blood shortage.

Right now, the Red Cross especially needs type O negative, type O positive and type B negative blood donors, as well as platelet donors.

Donors of all blood types can schedule an appointment to give by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

The Red Cross is teaming up with Warner Bros. for the theatrical release of *Meg 2: The Trench* to celebrate a summer of sharks and help stave off a summer blood and platelet shortage.

All who come to give through Aug. 12 will be automatically entered for a chance to win a three-night New York getaway for two with a private shark dive adventure at Long Island Aquarium. Those who come to give throughout the month of August will also get a \$10 e-gift card to a movie merchant of their choice. Details are available at [RedCrossBlood.org/Movie](http://RedCrossBlood.org/Movie).

Wednesday, Aug. 2, 2-7 pm, Lucas Community Center, 252 W. Main St., Lucas; and noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Tuesday, Aug. 8, noon to 6 pm, Saint Paul Lutheran Church, 48 Church St., Bellville

Wednesday, Aug. 9, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, Aug. 10, 11 am to 5 pm, Heartland Church, 2505 Lexington Springmill Rd S., Lexington; and noon to 6 pm, Resurrection Parish, 2600 Lexington Ave., Lexington

### Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

- Stephen D Fultz, July 11
- J. Mark Haddock, July 11
- Lisa Kay Madden, July 13
- David Eugene Shade, July 13
- Mark Allen Wilkinson, July 14
- Phyllis Elizabeth McPhern, July 16
- Judith A Hampton, July 18
- Jeffrey Michael Glenn, July 20
- Donna Ann Lepkojus, July 20
- Robert Brauchler, July 21

View Full Obituaries at [www.dignitymemorial.com](http://www.dignitymemorial.com)

## CACY Hidden In Plain Sight program helps adults identify problems

Not all teens will misuse substances but all teens are at risk for substance use or risky behaviors.

CACY's Hidden in Plain Sight (HIPS) adult education program is an interactive display designed to educate concerned adults about what to look for and the confidence to know what to do if they find something concerning.

An interactive game provides clues to help determine whether a child has favorable attitudes or behaviors toward substance use or other risky behaviors.

Hidden in Plain Sight is a display of a typical teenbedroom set up with drug paraphernalia "Hidden in Plain Sight." This interactive visual program offers adults insight into current trends in youth attitudes concerning substance use/abuse, drug paraphernalia, concealment and sales of illicit drugs, tobacco, alcohol, medication and inhalants.

As players look around the room, click to find items to learn the dangers of these seemingly normal objects can have.

To play the game, visit <https://cacyoio.org/hidden-in-plain-sight/>

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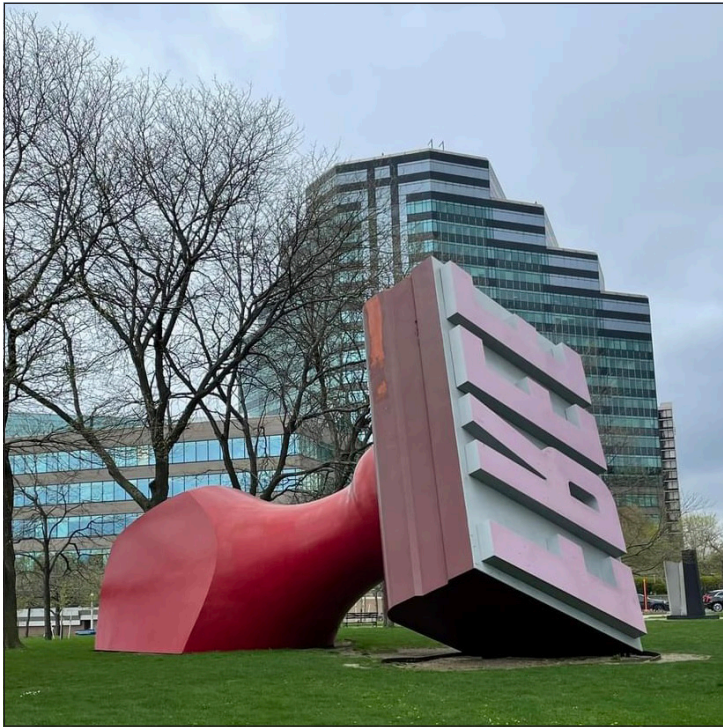


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**Day Trippin' With Damon** – The Free Stamp is located in Cleveland's Willard Park and symbolizes the emancipation of slaves from the Civil War. The aluminum and steel structure is 49 feet long, 28 feet high and weighs 70,000 pounds.

# Before & After



Erik & Deb Merkel

## Richland County Fair August 6–12, 2023

### GRANDSTAND EVENTS:

- Sunday:** Harness Racing, 5:30 pm, Free
- Monday:** Harness Racing, 5:30 pm, Free
- Wednesday:** Rodeo, 6 pm,  
Free Grandstand • \$10 Reserved Seats
- Thursday:** OSTPA Tractor Pull, 7 pm  
Free Grandstand • \$10 Pit or Reserved • \$20 Back Gate
- Friday:** Motocross 6 pm • Free Grandstand  
\$10 Pit or Reserved • \$20 Back Gate
- Saturday:** Demolition Derby, 5 pm  
Free Grandstand • \$10 Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

*Monday Senior Citizens \$5*

*Wednesday Kids Day*

*Thursday Free for Military & Veterans with ID*

- General Gate Admission \$8 daily
- Admission for Children 48" and under is free!
- Membership Ticket (7 admissions) .....\$40
- Season Ticket (7 admissions) ..... \$40

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By Kim Sterry

LOBSTER SALAD

**Ingredients**

- 2 Cups Lobster Meat
  - 2-3 Stalks Celery, chopped
  - 1/2 onion, chopped
  - 1/2-3/4 cup mayonnaise
  - 2 tsp. tarragon, fresh
  - Alfalfa sprouts
  - Salt & pepper
  - Slices of hearty bread, you are going to cut them in rounds
  - Butter to toast bread
- You will need a round cookie cutter*

**Instructions**

In a bowl, mix the celery, onions, mayo and tarragon. Add in the lobster meat and some salt and pepper. Chill using the round cookie cutter, cut out rounds in the bread. Butter rounds and toast them on a griddle.  
 \*Or you can butter and toast large pieces of bread on griddle and then cut out rounds. (However you want to get there, just so you have some toasted/butter rounds to serve your salad on.)  
 Top with alfalfa sprouts.  
 We served this with some roasted potato rounds and grated some gruyere cheese, pub style.

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**By Mátiece Thomas**

Protein is a very important and powerful macro, especially when it comes to having successful weight loss and properly building muscle. Today I want to bust the myth that we can only get our best proteins sources from meat and whey, which derives from cows milk.

I am finding a lot more of my clients have issues with allergies, including dairy and soy. I also have several clients that are vegetarian or vegan so it's important for me to find good sources of protein that all my clients can enjoy.

Pea protein is a great source of protein for vegetarians, vegans or people with such allergies as dairy or soy. It is an all-around good choice for anyone

that is wanting to add protein to their diet. It is GMO free and is sustainably grown. It is also gluten-free and it provides an impressive nutritional profile. Pea protein is rich in fiber, protein, potassium, and the B vitamin folate.

Pea protein is also high in lysine and essential amino acids that we need to have healthy bones, skin and a good mood. Studies have also shown that pea protein may help control the hunger hormones better than most types of protein.

The protein does not come from the green peas that we find in our freezer section at our local grocery store. It comes from dried yellow peas that are picked, washed and ground into flour. It's a great way to add protein to your favorite recipes or protein shakes. I am finding a lot more pea based protein powders on the shelves, just mix them with your favorite almond milk and give it a try!

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





Photos By Traci Little



**FREE COMMUNITY HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES** were offered on July 13 provided by Richland Public Health and Cleveland Clinic. Cleveland Clinic's Mobile Mammogram Unit offered free mammograms and other screening education. Richland Public Health had Medical Inflatables to walk through and learn all about colon and breast cancer prevention. Displays also provided ways to prevent these types of cancers. Cleveland Clinic Cancer Center, Mansfield is a comprehensive cancer center providing local access to diagnostics and treatment options including chemotherapy, infusions, radiation therapy, genetic counseling, PET/CT, clinical trials and more. Beyond medical care, supportive services such as art therapy, dietician services and support groups are offered. To schedule an appointment call 419-756-2122.



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## Area Agency on Aging will host cryptocurrency scam awareness event

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has announced an upcoming event focused on raising awareness and equipping older adults with the knowledge and tools to protect themselves from cryptocurrency scams. Unfortunately, the risk of scams targeting vulnerable individuals. This event, tailored specifically for older adults, aims to educate, empower, and foster a sense of digital safety within our senior community.

Exploitation, especially scams such as cryptocurrency scams, continue to be a growing concern amongst older adults. Understanding the urgency to address this issue, the Area Agency on Aging, in collaboration with the Ohio Attorney General and other professional organizations has organized a dedicated event to shed light on these scams and arm vulnerable individuals with the information they need to safeguard their finances.

The event, titled "Cryptocurrency Scam Awareness and Information," will take place on Friday, Aug. 4 from 9:30-11 am at The Brickyard on Main, 135 S. Main St., Marion.

It will feature informative presentations led by Richard Meeker, MSW, LISW-S and Katie Harper, of the Ohio Attorney General. Representatives from the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Marion Senior Center, Marion County Council on Aging, ProSeniors, Ohio Attorney General, and Marion Jobs and Family Services and Adult Protective Services will be on-site to provide resources and information. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about various types of cryptocurrency scams, including fraudulent schemes, and identity theft, along with practical tips to detect and prevent such scams.

This event is free and is intended for older adults, finance professionals and community members who engage with older adults. For more information contact Sue Montgomery at smontgomery@aaa5ohio.org. Registration is not required but space is limited. This event will be livestreamed on Aug. 4 on the Agency's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/aaa5ohio/>.

## Richland County Korean War Veterans to commemorate the 70th Anniversary

The Richland County Korean War Veterans, Chapter 51, will be hosting a gathering with dignitaries, veterans and families to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice. Three hundred guests are expected.

Donations are being accepted to help fund the event. Funds collected will help pay for the event space, snacks and drinks, gas money for entertainers and decorations.

The Han Wool Traditional Korean drummers and dancers from Columbus and pianist Miss Lee from Michigan will entertain.

The event will be held July 27, from 2-5 pm at the Mid-Ohio Conference Center, 890 W. 4th St., Mansfield. Veterans and the public are invited to attend but limited seating is available.

RSVP to 419-989-0580. To help donate, visit <https://www.gofundme.com/f/70th-anniversary-ohio-korean-war-veterans>

## This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



Whiskey

Whiskey has been at the shelter for almost a year and is chronically overlooked.

Whiskey does not have good kennel manners and looks super scary in his kennel. After Whiskey is out of his kennel, he is absolutely wonderful. Whiskey walks fairly well on a leash and is super affectionate. Whiskey seems to know what "come means" and loves snuggling.

Whiskey is a favorite among a volunteer and her pre-teen and teenager. Whiskey does sometimes act up on walks, mostly by biting the leash. He loves sprinting and playing with toys. For the most part, he's excellent all of the time.

Whiskey 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.

Currently, adoptions are on a schedule, based on the time the dog has been at the shelter. Dogs that have been at the shelter for more than a year are \$50, dogs there more than six months are \$100, dogs at the shelter longer than three months are \$125, and dogs there less than three months are \$150. This fee includes spay/neuter, microchip, dog license, and some vaccines.

The shelter's current needs are volunteers to walk and play with the dogs as well as fill kongs for the dogs to play with when they are in their kennel, help with laundry or dishes, or clean the yard. The shelter uses a lot of bleach, laundry detergent and dog treats and welcomes donations.

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# Ober Gatlinburg celebrates golden anniversary by adding new attractions to classic favorites

Photos and Article By Jenna Wolford

As I planned my family's trip to the Gatlinburg area, I wanted to be sure to visit the places I consider to be the "Icons of Gatlinburg." Among these is Ober Gatlinburg.

As a child, we came to Ober almost every trip so that we could take the tram and enjoy the Alpine Slide. Back then there were things to do, but I was excited to see the new things added in the last 20+ years.

We began our day at the Gatlinburg location on the Parkway. At this building, visitors can purchase tickets and visit the shops. This is also where guests board the aerial tramway for a scenic view of the Smokies on their way to the top of the mountain. The 2.1 mile trek takes visitors 1,472 feet in elevation as it ascends to the mountaintop 2,813 feet above sea level. The two 120-passenger counter-balanced cars provide continuous service every 20 minutes throughout the day to and from the Adventure Park and Ski Area and a highlight of the trip is when the trams pass each other at the half-way point.

Built in 1973, the tram celebrates its 50th anniversary this summer.

Ober Mountain is Tennessee's #1 skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing destination each winter but there are activities to enjoy all year-long.

As advertised, Ober offers "a mountaintop of fun, excitement and beauty high above Gatlinburg."

One of the newer activities is summer tubing. This was my first experience with snowless tubing and it was a favorite for my entire family. A conveyor, nicknamed "The Magic Carpet" carries riders and tubes up the hill where they then choose between four 250' lanes to sail back down. The material used for the tracks makes it possible for the tubes to glide and provide warm weather fun.

The Ski Mountain Coaster "Tennessee Flyer" is the highest coaster in elevation east of the Mississippi River. Departing near the snow tubing area, the coaster climbs a 1,000 foot incline and upon reaching the top, the rider is in charge of their speed as the coaster banks, dips and turns along the mountainside.

One or two riders can choose to cruise and take in the beautiful scenery or take the thrill-seekers approach and reach speeds up to 25 miles per hour. I would say I did a good middle-of-the-road speed and my husband went full bore. It's nice the ride can be tailored to the rider and this also gives a bit of a different adventure every time you ride.

The Scenic Chairlift provides a 779 foot rise above the mountain park and is the longest chairlift of its kind in the U.S. On a clear day visitors can see as far as Douglas Lake, nearly 30 miles away. As we

reached an elevation of 3,590 feet on Mt. Harrison we were greeted by a beautiful view and a band playing at the top of the mountain.

A childhood favorite of mine is the Alpine Slide and I was looking forward to sharing the experience with my own kids this trip. Built in 1976, the slide has seen some upgrades since my last slide down the mountain, but keeps the charm I remember so fondly. The chairlift delivers slide riders to the halfway point where they disembark for their adventure.

Traveling down Mt. Harrison on 1,800 feet of parallel concrete tracks, the Alpine Slide allows visitors to control their speed on push-pull sleds.

Also adding to the day's adventure were a carousel, 30-foot rock wall, chair swings and new jump pilloww.

Ice skating is available year-round in the indoor arena. The bumper boats utilize a third of the rink and glide along the ice for a fun family activity that everyone can enjoy. Its a nice cool activity when the summer heats up but would be equally as fun in other seasons.

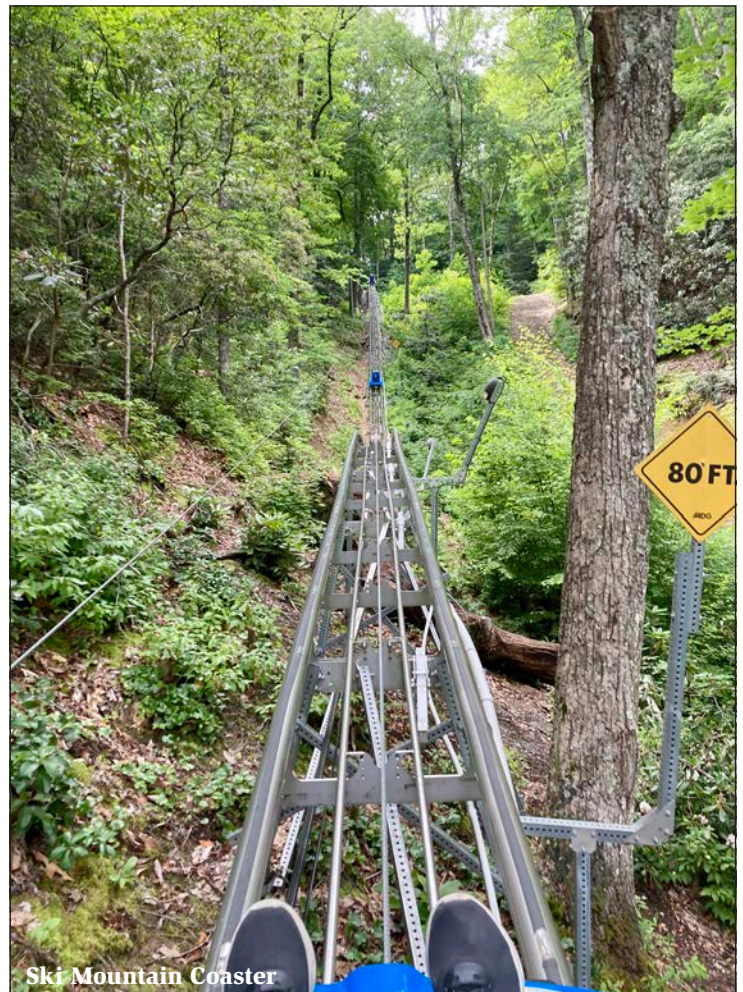
The rink is the centerpiece for the Ober Mountain Mall which is filled with shops, restaurants, eateries and specialized stores.

The Wildlife Encounter, a privately-funded and municipally sponsored zoo, includes a black bear family, river otters, bobcats, fox, and an aviary filled with birds of prey.

The Nocturnal House is the home to racoons, skunks, flying squirrels, snakes and turtles. All these animals are rescue animals or are from USDA licensed zoos.

Mountain bikers can have their bikes and themselves carried to the top of the mountain on a chairlift and then enjoy the ride back

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# •Ober celebrates golden anniversary

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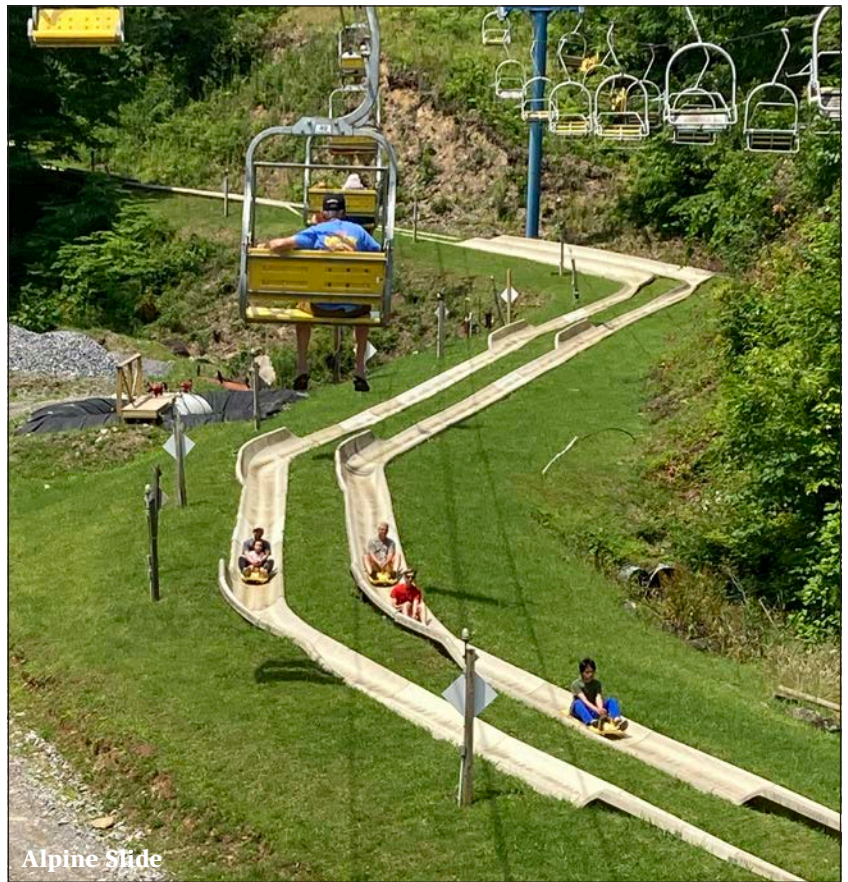
down. An obstacle course is also available for riders. This is an entertainment option that was added earlier this year.

In the winter, Ober offers ski lessons and a Family Snow Zone.

I thought Ober was a fun place before, but there is even more to see and do. I am so happy I was able to share this experience with my family. Ober Gatlinburg truly holds a place in my heart.

I highly recommend the wristband option to experience everything Ober has to offer. When doing this, plan to stay for a good part of the day as activities can be repeated.

Ober Adventure, LLC Adventure Park & Ski Area is located at 1001 Parkway, Gatlinburg, TN. For more information call 800-251-9202 or visit [www.obergatlinburg.com](http://www.obergatlinburg.com).



Alpine Slide





# •Madison BOE ready for new school year

(Continued from Front Page)

Fairchild, cosmetology/nail technician instructor; Denise Brown, Ohio Means Jobs Center representative; Crystal McMillen, financial aid advisor; Kim Stillwell-Mincieli, cosmetology instructor; Melinda Williams, cosmetology program coordinator/instructional/technical support and assessments/cosmetology lead instructor; Angela Carroll, State Tested Nurse Aide (STNA) instructor; Shaan Hess, STNA instructor; Marie Williams, STNA coordinator/sub instructor for STNA, MA & CPR; and Whitney Shopbell, phlebotomy lab assistant/administrative medical assisting.

Sports volunteers approved are Jesse Walker, boys' soccer; Roland McKinney, boys' soccer; Erin Brockway, girls' soccer; Jordan West, varsity football; and Jeff Barrett, varsity football.

Cheyenne Sumler resigned from the Madison Early Childhood Learning Center (MECLC), effective June 23.

Substitute employees hired on an on-call basis, as needed, for the 2023-'24 school year are cafeteria workers Karla Lyons, Dean Maul, Sheena Thompson, Vicki Maxey and Maura Boltz; secretaries Dottie Pugh, Margaret Washington, Maxine Hall, Joyce Feltner and Kathleen Hunt; secretary aides Stacy Moore and Pam Jackenheimer; aides Lessie Sloan, aide Beth Conn, Susan Jolley and Rosie Eberts; custodians Bobby Neal, Diana Roub, Sam Thomas, Mike Christy, John Neron and Larry Boggs; and bus drivers Alexis Angel, Daniel Brammer, Lilian Galco, Bobby Mounts, Jenny Nester, Todd Newberry, Terry Rennpage, Rebecca Richards, Partena Tesca, Melvin Zellner

and Diana Donahue.

Shelly Pogue was hired as a second shift custodian at the middle school and Steve Wareham was hired as a second shift custodian at the high school.

Elizabeth Teschler has been awarded the 2-hour cafeteria position at Eastview, replacing Sheena Thompson.

Resignations were accepted from Lisa Thoman-Cha, assistant treasurer, effective July 27; Jonathan Muro, middle school principal, July 31; and Kim Pfleiderer, food service supervisor, July 26.

Lindi Hofinger was hired as the MECLC Director.

Jordan Nelson has been awarded the middle school principal position, effective with the 2023-'24 school year, replacing Jonathan Muro who resigned.

Bruce Gibson has been awarded the middle school assistant principal position, effective with the upcoming school year, replacing Jordan Nelson.

The revision of the Administrative Salary Schedule was approved with the addition of the Director of School Improvement, Assessment and Federal Programs position to the schedule.

The contract for educational/special services and employment services was approved between the Tri-County Educational Service Center and Madison Local Schools for the 2023-'24 school year.

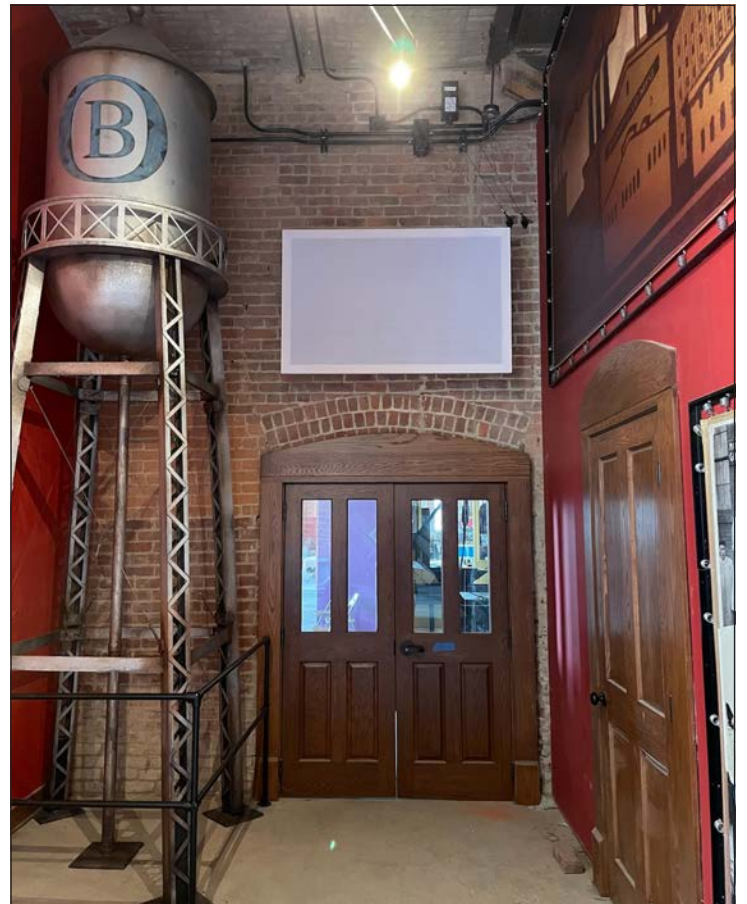
The second reading of the attendance policy was approved.

A Resolution was established about the necessity of a levy for an additional tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation. The tax will be at a rate of seven and a half (7.5) mills for each one dollar of taxable value and would be in effect for a period of five years. The levy will be on the ballot Nov. 7, 2023.

The next regular board of education meet Aug. 16, at 6 pm in the Madison Middle School Auditoria and a special meeting will be held July 27 at the Board of Education Office at 4 pm.



Photo By Mark Shutt



THE BLACK-HUMPHREY FAMILY Ohio Brass Water Tower is the newest exhibit in the entryway at the North Central Ohio Industrial Museum at the Ohio State Reformatory.



Richland Early American Center for History Weekend  
Saturday, July 22 • South Park • Photos By Jeff Hoffer





# Partnership to help protect against medical identity theft

The Ohio Senior Medicare Patrol, part of the non-profit Pro Seniors organization, announced its partnership with multiple Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) across Ohio to drive awareness of medical identity theft and stop scammers in their tracks.

Medical identity theft occurs when someone uses personal information – such as name and Medicare number – to bill for services or supplies not approved. Fraudsters may send unwanted COVID test kits, call to claim the person qualifies for free genetic testing, say Medicare is issuing new cards or they may bill Medicare for a knee brace in someone’s name.

“Medical identity theft is a bil-

lion dollar industry and scammers are good at their jobs,” said Lisa Dalga, project manager for the Ohio Senior Medicare Patrol. “People are often embarrassed after succumbing to a scam and reluctant to report it or get help. Our new partnership with district AAAs, a trusted source to older adults, will enable us to educate people across Ohio how to identify medical identity theft scams, how to keep themselves protected, and how to report when they suspect fraudulent activity on their Medicare account. Fraud happens to everyone and it is nothing to be ashamed about.”

Representatives from the AAAs across many Ohio coun-

ties will begin teaching people about this type of fraud in late July. Information to be shared includes:

Clues that a medical identity may be compromised includes receiving boxes of braces, testing kits or other medical supplies in the mail not ordered and being contacted by a debt collection company for a provider bill not owed;

### Ways to prevent medical identity theft:

- Never give out a Medicare number to anyone other than your doctor, health care provider, or other trusted representative

- Understand that Medicare and Social Security already have the Medicare and Social Security

ty numbers and will not initiate a call

- Be cautious of anyone who comes to the door offering “free” testing, treatments, or supplies for genetic diseases, cancer or the coronavirus.

- Be cautious when purchasing medical supplies from unverified or unknown sources, including online advertisements and email/phone solicitations.

### What to do if you suspect fraud:

- Check medical summary notices for visits, equipment or services you did not approve.

If someone gave out a Medicare number, it is now considered ‘compromised.’ Call the Ohio Senior Medicare Patrol at 800-488-6070 and they can help identify suspected fraud on the account, as well as help request a new Medicare number.

The Ohio Senior Medicare Patrol is part of the non-profit group Pro Seniors, Inc and is funded through a grant from the Administration for Community Living. We are fraud fighters helping to protect Medicare beneficiaries from medical identity fraud and stay safe from scammers. You can contact us at 800-488-6070 opt 4 or [www.proseniors.org/ohio-smp](http://www.proseniors.org/ohio-smp).

Area agencies on aging coordinate local services and supports for older adults and people with disabilities in their communities. The Ohio Department of Aging provides funding to 12 area agencies.



Alaska • Photo By Sue Hoffer



**THE MID-OHIO COMMUNITY BAND** performed during the Richland Rural Life Center’s ice cream social on Saturday, July 22 at the center, 969 E. Crall Rd., Madison area. The band will give a free concert at the Richland County Fair’s Nature Park Monday, Aug. 7, at 7 pm.

## Ontario zoning report released

The City of Ontario Zoning Report was released for June by Zoning Inspector Michael Morton.

Permits were issued to Michael Moody, Hemlock, above ground pool; Lowell Spencer, Victoria Ct., shed; Todd Sloboda, Deer Ridge Ln., double; Culver’s, N. Lexington Springmill Rd.; and Salah Abboud, W. Fourth St., change of use.

Driveway permits were issued to Patty Fleming, Lewis Rd.; and Culver’s, N. Lexington Springmill Rd.

Other permits were issued to Culver’s, N. Lexington Springmill Rd., storm water, pre-site plan and finished site permit; Hather-ton Enterprises, Walker Lake Rd., dycare center, conditional zoning permit; and Patty Fleming, Lewis Rd., gavel driveway.



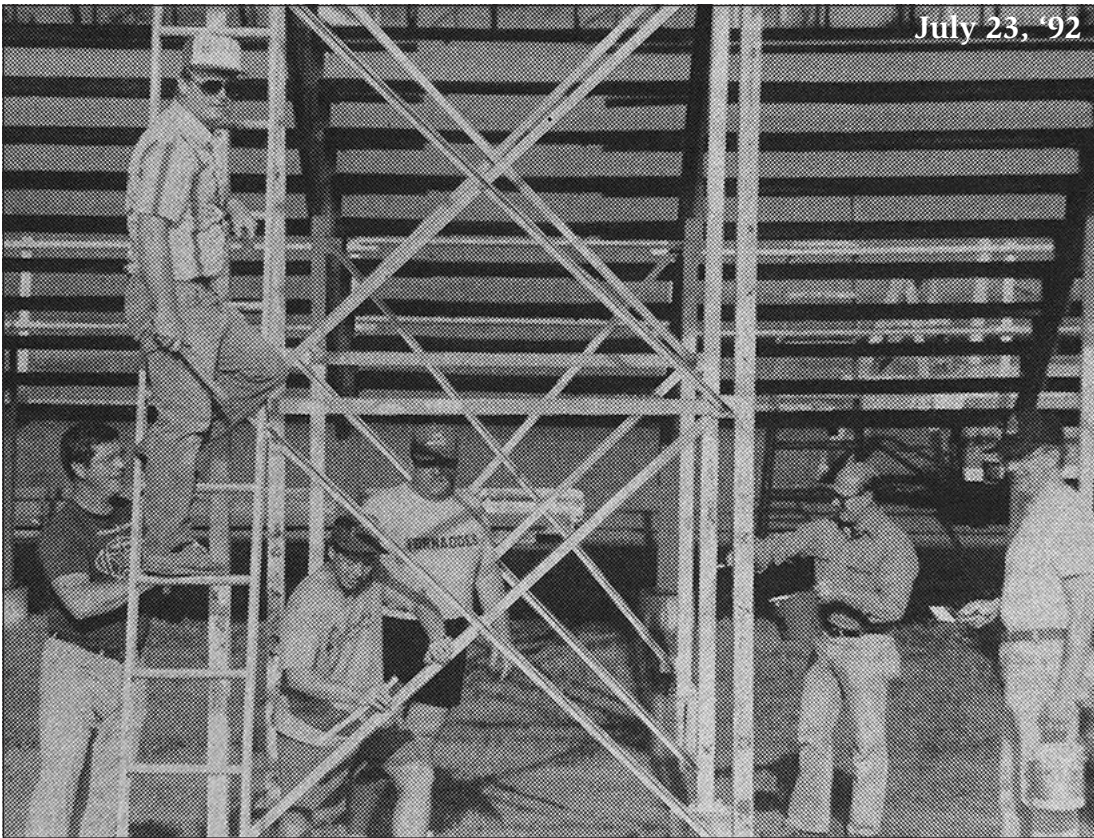
# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

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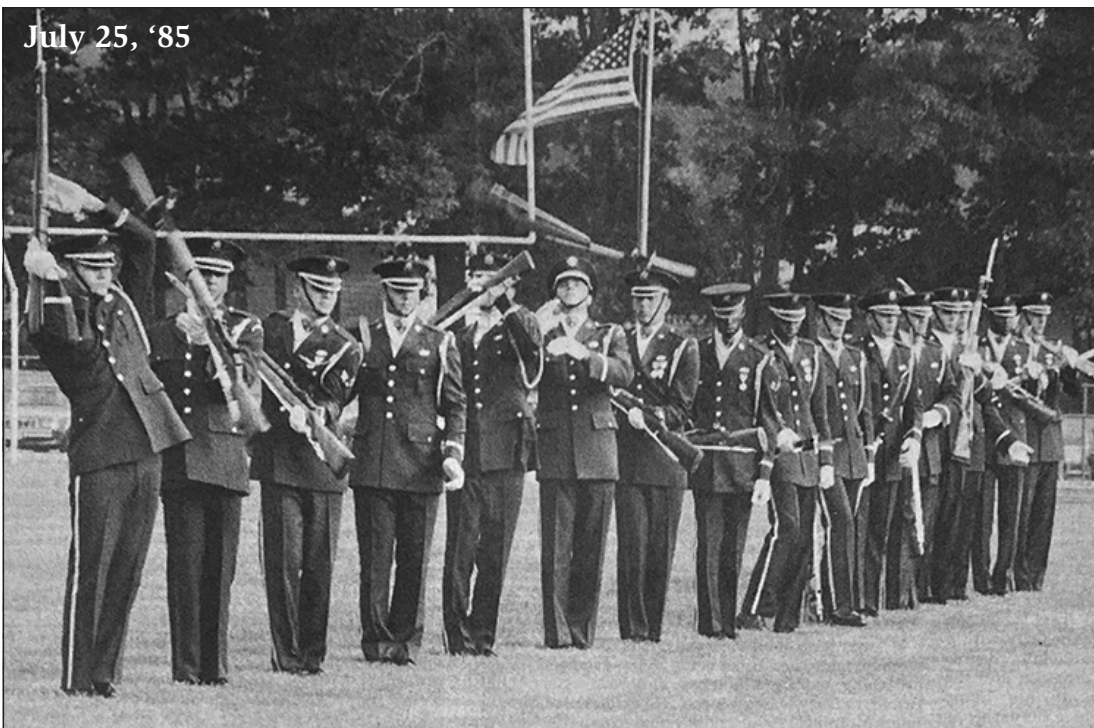


LOOKING BACK • THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



**THE LEXINGTON LIONS CLUB** is involved in many projects throughout the year and recently has been rolling up its sleeves to scrape and paint the bleachers at Minuteman Field. Pictured from the left are Loren Blackstone, Chuck Pscholka, Jake Blackstone, Harvey McNair, Mike Behr and Arnie Schropp. Also working on the project are Josh Brown, Andrew Brown, Sam Roberts, Stan Myers, Rick Hankinson, Keith Riley and John Leskovich.

George Billman



**PRESIDENTIAL HONOR GUARD** — The U.S. Air Force Presidential Honor Guard, hosted by the Local POW/MIA organization in Richland County, performed at Madison's Ram Field Friday evening

as part of the final day of activities of POW/MIA week in the county. The 20-member drill team, performing with fully operational M-1 rifles and fixed bayonets, drew a standing ovation.

Marc Stumba

**This Day in History** — On July 27, 1949, the world's first jet-propelled airliner, the British De Havilland Comet, makes its maiden test-flight in England. The jet engine would ultimately revolutionize the airline industry, shrinking air travel time in half by enabling planes to climb faster and fly higher. The Comet was the creation of English aircraft designer and aviation pioneer Sir Geoffrey de Havilland (1882-1965). De Havilland started out designing motorcycles and buses, but after seeing Wilbur Wright demonstrate an airplane in 1908, he decided to build one of his own. The Wright brothers had made their famous first flight at Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, in 1903. De Havilland successfully designed and piloted his first plane in 1910 and went on to work for English aircraft manufacturers before starting his own company in 1920. De Havilland Aircraft Company became a leader in the aviation industry, known for developing lighter engines and faster, more streamlined planes. In 1939, an experimental jet-powered plane debuted in Germany. During World War II, Germany was the first country to use jet fighters. De Havilland also designed fighter planes during the war years. He was knighted for his contributions to aviation in 1944. Following the war, De Havilland turned his focus to commercial jets, developing the Comet and the Ghost jet engine. After its July 1949 test flight, the Comet underwent three more years of testing and training flights. Then, on May 2, 1952, the British Overseas Aircraft Corporation (BOAC) began the world's first commercial jet service with the 44-seat Comet 1A, flying paying passengers from London to Johannesburg. The Comet was capable of traveling 480 miles per hour, a record speed at the time. However, the initial commercial service was short-lived, and due to a series of fatal crashes in 1953 and 1954, the entire fleet was grounded. Investigators eventually determined that the planes had experienced metal fatigue resulting from the need to repeatedly pressurize and depressurize. Four years later, De Havilland debuted an improved and recertified Comet, but in the meantime, American airline manufacturers Boeing and Douglas had each introduced faster, more efficient jets of their own and become the dominant forces in the industry. By the early 1980s, most Comets used by commercial airlines had been taken out of service. *History.com*



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## LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on July 12, 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-09 – RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX REVENUE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

RESOLUTION NO. 23-10 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT(S) WITH REVELLE TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 23-10 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 333 OVI; WILLFUL MISCONDUCT; SPEED, BY ADDING SECTION 333.021- TEXTING WHILE DRIVING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker, MMC  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 7-20, 27 '23) 35L

### NOTICE

The City of Ontario Civil Service Commission will hold a hearing for amending the Rules and Regulations at their meeting on August 10, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road. The rule for consideration is 7.08 Original Appointment Exams: Police, Sections A and C..

James Boyer  
Civil Service Commission, Chair  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 7-27 '23) 12L

# Bringing American food to American schools

By Senator Sherrod Brown

American tax dollars should support American jobs and American producers. That's why Buy America rules are so important.

And that principle should apply to more than just manufacturing. Our schools are a major purchaser of food products. The food our kids receive at school should be American-produced food, that supports American jobs in our communities.

That's why I introduced the bipartisan American Food for American Schools Act with Senator Mike Braun, a Republican of Indiana. It would require schools to buy American products for ALL in-school meals.

Right now, we have basic Buy America rules for school lunches. But they only apply to lunches, not breakfast or summer

meals or all the other ways kids get food in school. And it's too easy for school systems to get waivers to bring in foreign food.

There's no reason for Ohio school districts to serve students foreign produce when they could get fresh fruits and vegetables from Ohio farmers. There's no reason for schools to buy food products from overseas, when union bakers and confectioners and other workers make bread and snacks and canned foods in Ohio.

Canned produce and juice from China have been a particular problem. Schools will buy things like apple juice and canned peaches that are made in China, with Chinese apples and Chinese peaches.

We know schools could get those products from the U.S.

Our bill would also strengthen rules on waivers and increase transparency, requiring USDA to publish an online listing of waivers that have been granted allowing schools to bring in foreign products. That will not only let parents know when their children are being given foreign food – it will also help farmers and producers know where there may be opportunities to sell their products, and seek out districts that need affordable, domestic food.

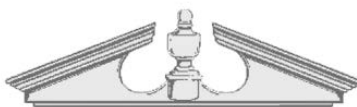
As we work on the Farm Bill this year, empowering farmers and producers to sell more in Ohio is one of our big priorities – and this will be part of that effort.

American tax dollars should support American products, whether that's iron and steel, or apple juice.



Kingwood Center • Photo By Traci Little

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