



Photo By Jeff Hoffer

**THE CIVIL WAR** came to life at South Park in Mansfield June 8 and 9. Visitors met authentically clad and equipped military and civilian reenactors who discussed the everyday lives of Civil War soldiers and the roles civilians played in supporting them. Those attending witnessed first hand Civil War medicine, talks from civilians in the 1860s and strolled through the military camps. This was the very first American Civil War Heritage Days at South Park. *(More Photos on Page 8)*

## Annual Family Fun on the Farm Festival returns June 29

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is joining Malabar Farm State Park to co-host Family Fun on the Farm Festival on Saturday, June 29 from noon to 4 pm. The festival returns for the fourth year and is open to the public with free admission.

The festival centers around the theme of where food comes from and conservation. It will be filled with many hands-on, fun activities like fishing, and archery. Fishing is free for those who are 15 years old or younger. Those attending can take a free wagon ride, visit farm animals and hike the many trails. The visitor center teaches about farming and conservation at the newly renovated, interactive displays.

Food trucks and vendors will have food and beverages for sale to enjoy while at the festival.

For more information about the festival visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/404847235375107>, e-mail [Contact@Richland-SWCD.net](mailto:Contact@Richland-SWCD.net) or call 419-747-8685.

## Lexington Mayor Jarvis issues Proclamation to Mansfield Power Squadron

The Village of Lexington Council meeting was held May 20. Council members present included Keith Bacin, Adam Gongwer, Aaron Hoptry, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise. Also attending were administrator Peter Them and assistant finance director Rachel Fagan.

Mayor Bob Jarvis presented a Boat Safety Proclamation to John Fort, SN, and Garry Schroder, SN, of Mansfield Power Squadron. As the summer boating season approaches, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) underscores the critical importance of boating safety and wearing a life jacket by being an active participant in the National Safe Boating Week campaign, which ran from May 18-24.

It was reported that Keith Bacin joined parks superintendent Todd Ward for a ride along during the workday.

Assistant finance director Rachel Fagan reported the month of April has been balanced. May 1 payroll was pushed to June, but all has been corrected.

Peter Them commented that Arbor Day on the square was a success. The Bicentennial basketball backboard shattered when a boy was making a slam dunk. He called the police department immediately. The village is replacing it with no cost to the honest citizen. Possible issues may have previously existed with this backboard. Both backboards were replaced as a precaution.

The finance committee met with Modern Office Methods (MOM). The committee will be making a recommendation at June 3 council meeting regarding a document scanning proposal.

The new software for the water department is 90 percent complete. Upon completion of the installation, the village will start with finance software then income tax software installs.

Due to much rain, all water and street departments have been sharing employees for mowing tasks. Councilman Kearns noted the unfinished dirt space behind the pickleball court. They said they are considering a sidewalk and finishing steps later.

Councilman Kearns asked about the property at 520 Highridge Ct. Kearns noted many potential zoning violations on the property, including, but not limited to: curb was cut out, total property usage is more than 25 percent (the property owners appear to be using 90 percent). Numerous neighbors have complained. Also noted was the hidden storage container behind the trees at the corner of Steam Corners Road and Salem.

Councilman Little asked if Getz will be adding topcoat to his newly developed allotment. They have spoken with Getz regarding the topcoat and the hydrant that was knocked off.

Mayor Jarvis noted They won the Soccer U9 State Championship.

As reported by Mayor Bob Jarvis, "Todd Ward, parks supervisor, Brenda and I attended Tree City USA in Worthington for our 39th year award."

"We recognized Carol Parkison for her 40 years of service on the Tree Commission by planting a tree in her honor on the square and I also attended the Clear Fork Swimming Club grand opening/ribbon cutting last Saturday."

Councilman Bacin reported that golf cart traffic has increased during the weekends, traveling in the area of Cedarwood and Fox Roads. Councilman Little also noted that the electric scooters have picked up with little girls flying all over the roads in the Woodside neighborhood.

Councilman Bacin reported that the council summer schedule begins in June. The first Monday through June, July and August will be only one meeting and summer casual attire is accepted.

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# The Mansfield Riots of 1900

By Bob Carter

Part 6

In last week's article, a mob tried to gain access to a house on Wayne Street. They were after the Dowie preachers inside. A reporter for the *Mansfield Shield* on the scene filed this report:

"Soon the mob gained entrance to the house by means of the rear door. The crowd also jostled their way past the authorities like an avalanche and poured upstairs where Fisher and McClurkin were hiding."

"The two men were dragged downstairs and out into the yard through the rear door into the hands of the relentless mob. The two elders, McFarland and Stevens took refuge with the women and children in the sitting room and the entrance was barred by Sheriff Pulver and the chief of police."

Sheriff Pulver, while the mob was surging around him intent on gaining possession of the elders, strongly considered the advisability of asking aid from Gov. Nash. In the ruckus, Sheriff Pulver lost his suspenders."

As reported, "The frightened women and children were huddled together for safety by the mob and were

led out of the building one by one in hysterical condition. Some went unwillingly. Elders Fisher and Stevens remained in the building but were badly frightened. They consented to leave Mansfield for the present if they should be taken to the city prison for safety. The mob crowd cried loudly for Fisher but it became known that he was not in the house. While authorities were busy protecting McFarland and Stevens in the parlor, Fisher and McClurkin had been dragged downstairs and away before the authorities and the mob was aware of it."

"The mob was dispersing rapidly and agreed not to molest Elders Stevens and McFarland, and on the strength of this Sheriff Pulver and deputy Bell, escorted the men towards the city prison. One can imagine Sheriff Pulver holding one of the elders with one hand while the other held his pants. A majority of the mob, hearing cheers in the direction of the Lean Harrow Works, hurried to that place."

"The elders McClurkin and Fisher had been hustled through the alley at the rear where the crowd halted as the leaders deliberated and determined the course of action. It was the will of the crowd that they be treated the same as Fockler and it was suggested they proceed to the gas house, but the fact that Focklers dose was not suc-

cessful as had been expected, that idea was abandoned. Before many minutes passed, the two Zionites were hurried away in the direction of the Lean Harrow Works where their clothes, except for their coats, were removed from their bodies of carefulness, were fairly torn from their bodies by the impatient mob, and many enthusiast securing fragments as souvenirs."

"Then took place a sight that would Dowie himself, laugh at the sheer ridiculousness. The victims were seized by the leaders and literally painted blue from head to foot! The paint, which is used for painting harrows and which was secured after defying the watchman, was applied with brooms and with their bodies having been thoroughly saturated with Royal Blue, the baptism was made complete by dousing a bucket of ingredients over each."

"The Elders were then taken for a stroll with an occasional spin. It was suggested that at the Park Avenue railroad crossing that they be taken to an ice pond for another immersion, but the consul prevailed with the mob at the time, when it should not be considered turbulent or bloodthirsty and the two Elders of Zion, shining like a newly varnished harrows, were made to proceed ahead of the mob on Park Avenue East to Central Park. There had been numerous threats made to throw them into the fish pond but only the suggestion that they might kill the fish so they were spared that ordeal."

"They were taken to their destination, the police station. Several officers and Sheriff Pulver arrived at the city jail with the elder Stevens of Chicago and McFarlane of Marion only a few minutes before the crowd made its appearance and delivered the blue coated forms of Fisher and McClurkin."

"Orlan Faber had urged the leaders of the crowd at the Lean Harrow Works to take the elders to the prison. He took the steps and immediately his name was called. He said, the crowd had accomplished his purpose and that it was time for them to disperse and return to their homes. Mayor Brown opened the door to the prison, and as he did, Faber suggested three cheers to the mayor and the crowd responded with three cheers which awakened the west end residents. Mayor Brown then asked the crowd to disperse."

"'This is unlawful,' he said. 'Let the law take its course. All go quietly to your homes.' Content with what they had done, the crowd began to disperse. In a short time the streets were practically deserted."



JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE sent these four ministers to Mansfield to quiet things down. It failed. Pictured are Elder A. McFarlane, Elder Gerald F. Stevens, Elder A.W. McClurkin and Evangelist E.P. Fisher.

## TRIBUNE-COURIER FORUM

The Ontario Lions Club would like to thank the following businesses and individuals who donated to the Ontario Lions Pancake Day on April 6: ABC Warehouse, Athens Greek Restaurant, Brian and Michelle Gates State Farm Insurance, The Cap Place, Goodyear, Graham Auto Mall, Fazoli's, Harbor Freight, Hobby Town, Logan's, Maraki Salon, Mid-Ohio Mind, Body & Soul, Millie's Music Studio, Oak Tree Golf Club, O'Charley's Restaurant & Bar, Olive Garden, Park National, Pizza Hut, Lion Randy Hanlon, Red Lobster, Rinehart, Walters, Danner Insurance, Sutton Bank, Texas RoadHouse, T.G.I. Fridays, Thrive Nutrition Studio, Tractor Supply, Twin Lakes and What Goes Around.

Again, thank you to all the businesses and to all the customers and we hope to see all of you Saturday, Nov. 2, from 6:30 am to noon.

President Lion Jim Henry and The Ontario Lions Club members

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# News Briefs

The Mansfield Men's Garden Club is currently accepting nominations for its annual community beautification awards. To nominate a garden or landscape that enhances the community, contact Rob Nalley at 419-496-3003 or [robertnalley2023@gmail.com](mailto:robertnalley2023@gmail.com); Ed Pickens at 419-564-0912 or [edpickens48@gmail.com](mailto:edpickens48@gmail.com); or visit [Mansfieldmensgardenclub.com](http://Mansfieldmensgardenclub.com). Residential and commercial nominations will be accepted through July 26.

Winners will be recognized at the annual Mansfield Men's Garden Club Beautification Awards Dinner held on Sept. 3, in the Kingwood Center Gardens King Ballroom.

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Mechanics Bank will host the Live@Lunch 2024 Summer Court-yard Series in the Mechanics Courtyard, 2 S. Main St., Mansfield. All performances will be held from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Performances are free with the opportunity to purchase food.

The schedule includes June 21, music by Nate Williams and food by Mad Meltz; July 12, music by Ordinary Elephant and food by Black Willow; July 19, music by Tom's Kitchen Table and food by Eshelman's Table; Aug. 2, music by Taylor Schlupp and food by Panchos Tacos; Aug. 16, music by EKG and food by Pasta by Grunt Grub; Sept. 13, music by Sarah Goff and food by Truckin' Trav; and Sept. 20, music by Tom's Kitchen Table and food by Mr. Bill's Wood Fired Pizza. The courtyard is open every Friday over lunch.

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

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The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at 11:30 am at Der Dutchman, Rt. 96, Bellville. Meals are \$15. The next meal will be held June 19, and will include roast pork and a program from the Area Agency on Aging.

For information visit [www.lexasc.org](http://www.lexasc.org). Dues are \$10 per year.

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The City of Ontario will host Summer Concerts at Marshall Park this summer. The concert admission is free and those attending are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chairs.

Concerts are at the Marshall Park Band Shell from 6-8 pm. The schedule includes June 25, Red Ball Jets; July 9, David Perry; July 23, Oolong Gurus; Aug. 13, Soul Town Live; and Aug. 27, Atermath.

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Madison High School turns 100 this school year. Alumni can be a part of the celebration with events scheduled all year.

Events will be kicked-off at the first home football game, Aug. 30. There will be food trucks, alumni performances and alumni recognition.

Honored prior to kick-off will be the alumni band, cheerleaders, Ramettes, majorettes and football players and coaches (who will line the field to welcome the team).

All Madison alumni attending the event will be honored throughout the evening, by decades.

To register or those who would like an anniversary t-shirt (which includes admission) visit <https://sites.google.com/view/madison-100/home>.

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Trinity Grace Fellowship, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield, will hold its annual Vacation Bible School July 21-25 from 6-8:30 pm for kindergarten through 12th grade.

The theme of this year's VBS will be the "Great Jungle Journey - an Epic Cruise from Genesis to Revelation."

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A free Shelby community meal will be held at Awake Church, 3616 St. Rt. 39, Shelby, on the second Thursday of each month, from 6-7 pm. Dates are June 13, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12.

For information visit [www.awakeshelby.com](http://www.awakeshelby.com) or call 419-342-4636.

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All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Christopher Reynolds to speak on "Skin in the Game: An Invitation to a New Earth" at 10:30 am on Sunday, June 16. For more information visit [www.allsoulsuohio.org](http://www.allsoulsuohio.org).

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The Renaissance Theatre's 2024 Pictures on the Plaza Series will feature classic family films. Movies will be shown in the plaza between the Renaissance Theatre and Theatre 166, on the grassy area visible from Park Avenue West. *Jumanji* will be shown on Wednesday, July 10, and *Shrek* will be shown on Wednesday, Aug. 7.

The Renaissance will collaborate with the Buckeye Imagination Museum, Mansfield/Richland County Public Library and YMCA of North Central Ohio for these events. Family-friendly activities will begin at 7:30 pm and movies begin at 8:30 pm.

Those attending should bring lawn chairs and blankets. There will be free popcorn.

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Richland Public Health (RPH) has released its 2023 Annual Report which is available to view at [www.richlandhealth.org](http://www.richlandhealth.org). Those who prefer a paper copy can have one mailed or can pick up one in the main lobby at RPH. To request a free printed copy call 419-774-4761 or email [chps@richlandhealth.org](mailto:chps@richlandhealth.org).

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The Mansfield community will host the Annual Juneteenth Parade and Festival on Saturday, June 15, from 10 am to 6 pm. The free celebration will kick-off with the parade at 10 am at Marion Avenue and Park Avenue West.

Following the parade will be the festival in Central Park in downtown Mansfield featuring live music and entertainment, a vendor marketplace, food trucks, community choirs, health screenings, a kid's zone, wine tasting, line dancing and more.

The event will also be raising awareness about health equity, voter education and engagement, economic empowerment and education.

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## Conservation Creation Arts and Crafts Workshop slated for July 9

The next Conservation Creation Arts & Crafts Workshop hosted by Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is Tuesday, July 9 at 6 pm at the Longview Center, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield.

Those attending will make a clay dish from an impression of a leaf. Richland SWCD provides all the materials needed to make a clay dish.

The cost is \$12 per person and reservations are requested by July 3. Visit <https://richlandswcd.net/event/conservation-creation-arts-crafts-workshop-tbd-2/> or call 419-747-8685 to register for the workshop.

This workshop's guest speaker, Kim Hildreth, wears many hats. She has led the Earth Stewardship Celebration steering committee and assisted the Mansfield Shade Tree Commission for 28 years and is employed by the Mansfield Engineering Department where she is responsible for the NPDES (National Pollutant Discharge Systems) Phase 2 storm water permit. She will share how trees and leaves are beneficial, including the impact trees have on storm water management.



Monument Valley, AZ • Photo By Mark Shutt

# Church Directory

### Clay Memorial Lutheran Church

1601 Amoy East Rd., Mansfield  
419-747-6882

Pastor Carol Kilgore  
Sunday School 9:15 am  
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

### Clear Fork Alliance Church

1008 State Route 97, Bellville  
419-886-4333 • [www.clearforkalliance.org](http://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](http://www.DiscoverCommunity.org)  
Pastor Sam Belsterling  
10:30 am Sunday Worship  
Live stream at <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityBibleChurchMansfield>

### First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

200 West Third St., Mansfield  
419-524-4813 • [mansfield1stcc1833@gmail.com](mailto:mansfield1stcc1833@gmail.com)  
Rev. Gregory Bibler  
Office Hours: Tu., W., Th. 9 am to 1 pm  
10:30 am Sunday Worship  
Christian Builders, Sunday, 9:30 am  
[www.FirstChristianChurchMansfield.com](http://www.FirstChristianChurchMansfield.com)  
FB: FirstChristianChurch,Mansfield,Ohio

### First Congregational Church

640 Millsboro Rd., Mansfield  
419-756-3046 • [www.mansfieldfcc.com](http://www.mansfieldfcc.com)

Pastor Brad Bunn  
8:30 am Chapel • 10:30 am Sanctuary  
Sunday School 10:30 am

### First English Lutheran Church

53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield  
419-522-0662 • [www.felc-mansfield.org](http://www.felc-mansfield.org)  
Interim Pastor Lisa Peterson  
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship  
Call about Prayer Groups, Small Groups, Bible Studies, Book Clubs, Pub Theology, Community Meals, Free Produce distribution and Senior Boxes.

### Hope Lutheran Church

(Formerly St. Paul & St. Timothy)  
2010 Park Avenue West, Mansfield  
419-529-4351 • [www.lutheranhope.org](http://www.lutheranhope.org)  
Pastor Jonathan Stuft  
9:30 am Sunday Worship  
10 am Thursday Bible Study  
Free Breakfast 2nd Saturdays 9 am  
Free Dinner 4th Sundays 5 pm

### 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](http://www.mansfield1st.com)  
Rev. Joseph Yerger  
9 am Adult & Youth Sunday School  
10 am Sunday Worship  
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### Mansfield Baptist Temple

752 N. Stewart Rd., Mansfield  
419-589-5413 • [www.mbt.org](http://www.mbt.org)  
Pastor Rob Kurtz  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am & 5:30 pm Sunday Worship  
7 pm Wednesday Service

### Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West., Ontario  
419-529-4345 • [ontarioumc.com](http://ontarioumc.com)  
Pastor Christine Bell  
10:15 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Kingdom Kids

### St. John's United Church of Christ

68 Park Avenue East, Mansfield  
419-522-2813 • [www.stjohnsmansfield.org](http://www.stjohnsmansfield.org)  
Pastor Faith Proietti  
10 am Sunday Worship  
Office hours: Mon-Fri 9am to 1pm  
AA Meetings M & F 10 am & noon;  
Wed. noon Brown Bag and Sat. 6 pm  
Clothing Ministry by appt: 419-512-9817

### Trinity Grace Fellowship

1592 Grace St., Mansfield  
419-589-5890 • [trinitygracefellowship.org](http://trinitygracefellowship.org)  
Pastor Larry Carnes  
9:30 am Sunday Worship  
11 am Sunday School  
Bible Study Mondays 2 pm

### G & M Body & Paint Shop

1689 West Fourth St., Ontario  
419-529-2747

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# June recognized as a time to think about brain health

Today, nearly 7 million people aged 65 and older in the U.S. are living with Alzheimer's dementia, including 236,200 in Ohio. The Alzheimer's Association is encouraging Ohioans to think about their brain health and the benefits of building healthy brain habits during Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month (alz.org/abam) in June.

The lifetime risk for the disease at age 45 is 1 in 5 for women and 1 in 10 for men. The brain changes that cause Alzheimer's are thought to begin 20 years or more before symptoms start, which suggests that there may be a substantial window of time in which we can intervene in the progression of the disease.

"Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month offers a reminder for everyone to take charge of their brain health," said Pam Myers, programs senior director for the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio and Central Ohio Chapters. "There are steps everyone can take to reduce their risk of cognitive decline, and we want to encourage anyone experiencing memory or thinking problems to talk to their doctor. There are many possible causes, and if it is Alzheimer's, there are numerous benefits to getting an early diagnosis."

Experts believe there isn't a single cause of Alzheimer's, and it's likely the disease develops as a result of multiple factors. The greatest known risk factor is advancing age. Some risk factors may be modified to reduce risk. It is estimated that addressing modifiable risk factors might prevent or delay up to 40 percent of dementia cases.

The Alzheimer's Association is offering these five suggestions to take charge of your brain health:

1. Incorporate healthy habits that may reduce the risk of cognitive decline. Research shows that adopting healthy habits may reduce the risk of cognitive decline. The Alzheimer's Association encourages individuals to incorporate 10 Healthy Habits to reduce the risk of cognitive decline. It's never too early or too late.

2. Recognize the early warning signs. Many people equate Alzheimer's with memory loss, and while that is one of the most common signs, there are other signs of cognitive decline, including altered judgment, mood changes, challenges in decision-making, and carrying out projects. Some memory changes can be a normal part of aging, but when changes start to interfere with daily living or stray drastically from a person's normal behavior, it's best to get it checked. Find the 10 signs at alz.org/10signs.

3. Proactively address memory and thinking problems. Many individuals experiencing memory and thinking problems often put off discussing them with a doctor. A 2022 Alzheimer's Association report found that 60% of U.S. adults say they would not see a doctor right away if they were experiencing symptoms of mild cognitive impairment. Rather, they would wait until symptoms worsened or until family and friends expressed concern.

Early detection and diagnosis of Alzheimer's and dementia offer the best opportunity for care, management and treatment. It also provides individuals more time to plan for the future, participate in clinical trials and live a higher quality of life. There are now treatments that may slow disease progression in early stages, making a timely diagnosis critically important.

4. Help accelerate disease-related research. Clinical trials hold the key to treatment. Individuals living with the disease, caregivers and healthy volunteers are needed for clinical trials that help advance research. Today, 55,000 volunteers are needed for 180 clinical trials. TrialMatch® is a free, easy-to-use service that connects individuals

with appropriate trials.

5. Volunteer. According to research presented at the 2023 Alzheimer's Association International Conference, volunteering is associated with improved cognitive function. More information about volunteer opportunities is available at alz.org/nwohio/volunteer.

Those concerned about themselves or a loved one can contact the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter at 419-537-1999 to schedule a care consultation and be connected to free local resources. The Alzheimer's Association 24/7 helpline can be reached at 800-272-3900.

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This year's celebration includes a "Juneteenth Quilt Raffle" for a scholarship, free kids haircuts and book signing featuring authors Effie James, Teana Sykes, Romeo Travis and Obesida Cooke. This event is free and open to all. For more information call 419-610-6334.

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The Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Richland County will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 18, at 5:30 pm at 87 E. First St., Mansfield. For additional information call 419-774-5811.

## •Jarvis issues Proclamation

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An ordinance authorizing the administrative director to enter into an agreement with K.E. McCartney & Associates, Inc., for the village of Lexington lead service line inventory project, and declaring an emergency was pproved.

A resolution was made to approve payment of an invoice based on a then and now certificate, and declaring an emergency.

### Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

- William Harrell Rachel Sr., May 31
- Linda Lou Keever, June 1
- Steven Romaine Sneeringer, June 1
- Michael Lou Gibson, June 4
- Rev. Alan Ray Spore Sr., June 5

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# World Blood Donor Day recognized on June 14

As World Blood Donor Day approaches on June 14, the American Red Cross stresses that blood and platelet donors are critically needed right now to combat a drastic shortfall in donations over the last several weeks.

Donors of all blood types are needed, especially those with type O blood and donors giving platelets.

Book a time to give now by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

June 14 is World Blood Donor Day, a day meant to raise awareness of the need for a safe, diverse and stable blood supply, and to recognize volunteer blood donors.

Those who come to give June 10-30, will get a \$15 e-gift card to a merchant of choice.

Friday, June 14, 10 am to 3 pm, YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd., Mansfield; 11 am to 5 pm, VFW Post 3494, 853 Ashland Rd., Madison area; and 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Monday, June 17, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario  
 Tuesday, June 18, 1-6 pm, Crossroads Ontario Campus, 636 Lexington-Springmill Rd. S.

Wednesday, June 19, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario; and 1-6 pm, Plankton Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh

Friday, June 21, 8 am to 1 pm, OhioHealth Mansfield Hospital, 335 Glessner Ave., Mansfield

Monday, June 24, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Wednesday, June 26, 10 am to 4 pm, Baker's Collision Repair Specialists, 595 Fifth Ave., Madison area; and noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, June 27, noon to 6 pm, Hope Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Mansfield

Friday, June 28, 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

# Ontario 4th of July Festival returns June 28 and 29

The Ontario 4th of July Festival will be held Friday and Saturday June 28 and 29.

Friday night's events will include the Ontario Car Show in Marshall Park, from 5:15-8 pm, sponsored by Gates State Farm Insurance Agency. Fair food will be available from 6-9 pm.

The Friday night corn hole tournament will see teams of two compete for the 2024 Ontario Cornhole Championship. This event will start at 6 pm and cost is \$30 per team, which will be collected at the event. There is max number of teams allowed in this event.

There will be live performances Friday (TBA) and on Saturday, The Groove Brothers Band will perform from 5:30-7:30 pm and Shucking Bubba Deluxe will perform from 8-10 pm.

Saturday's events will kick-off with the Annual Ontario Liberty 5K at 8:30 am. The parade will run down a portion of Shelby-Ontario Road and go through the park. The parade will step-off at 3:30 pm. The Patriotic Pooch Parade is planned for 3 pm.

At noon all food vendors will open. All food vendors will be in Marshall Park. This year's kids' area will be filled with inflatables and events for all ages. The Ontario Police Department will handle security and the kids area is sponsored by Mechanics Bank.

The marquee event is the frog jumping contest. To enter, bring a frog to the raffle stage by 4:30 pm. Registration is on-site.

Pour One Nine Beerfest VIP Tables Open at 5:30 pm with BBQ Dinner served at 7 pm by Dan Lew Exchange and VIP seating to the Pour One Nine Concerts. For table information visit PourOneNine.com. General Admission also opens at 5:30 pm. Tickets are required.

The festival will host food-eating contests near the raffle stage from 7-8 pm.

The professional skydiving team Fastrax will jump from planes and touchdown in Marshall Park. New for this year will be a night jump with pyrotechnics at 9:50 pm landing in Marshall Park and a skydiving sound track LIVE on Mix 106.1FM. Sorelle will return for the National Anthem at 9:55, followed by fireworks at 10:10 pm.

During the festival, raffle prize winners will be drawn. Raffle prizes include TVs, area restaurant gift cards and even a car from New Haven Auto Sales. Tickets can be purchased at New Haven Auto Sales, Sutton Bank and the studios of WVNO FM/WMFD TV to benefit Ontario Youth Sports.

To register for the car show, corn hole tournament, 5K or other event visit <https://ontario4thofjulyfestival.com>.



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# ArcelorMittal will produce steel torches for Olympics

ArcelorMittal is an official partner of the Olympic and Paralympic Games Paris 2024, manufacturing the iconic steel torches and spectaculars for Paris 2024.

"Being an Official Partner of the Olympic and Paralympic Games Paris 2024 and supplier of the Torch gives ArcelorMittal an incredible opportunity to showcase the beauty, flexibility and potential of steel. ArcelorMittal is proud to be an official partner," said Aditya Mittal, CEO of ArcelorMittal.

Together with select partners, ArcelorMittal has manufactured 2000 torches at sites including Châteauneuf, Florange and Woippy.

For the first time, the design of the torches used for both the Olympic and Paralympic Games Torches will be identical, echoing the theme of parity. The torches are manufactured from ArcelorMittal's XCarb recycled and renewably produced reduced carbon footprint steel.

The story of ArcelorMittal and the Olympic and Paralympic Games Paris 2024 is one of partnership and shared values. Creating and manufacturing the torches and spectaculars has meant Paris 2024 coming together with designers, architects and technical experts to create something truly extraordinary.

Torch designer is Mathieu Lahanneur.



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By Kim Sterry

## BLT CHICKEN SALAD WITH JALAPENO HONEY

### Ingredients

#### For the Chicken:

8–10 Chicken Tenderloins or 4–6 Boneless Breasts  
2 eggs  
1/2 cup hot sauce  
2 cups buttermilk  
1 cup flour  
Olive oil salt & pepper  
1 jalapeno - sliced and seeded  
1/2–3/4 cup honey  
1–2 limes, juiced (depends on size) 2–3 Tbsp.

#### For the Dressing:

1 cup sour cream  
1 cup greek or regular plain yogurt  
1/2 tsp. paprika salt & pepper  
1 tsp. siracha  
1 lime zested and juiced

#### For the Salad:

Lettuce of your choice (I used spring mix)  
1 lb. bacon – cooked and chopped  
1 avocado  
2 cups cherry or grape tomatoes – chopped in half

### Instructions

**For the Chicken:** In a bowl mix eggs, hot sauce, buttermilk and salt & pepper. Soak chicken 1–2 hours. Heat sauté pan (or heavy cast iron skillet) with oil. Put flour and some salt & pepper in a pie dish or something with sides to coat chicken. I also had a baking sheet covered with parchment paper so I could “double dip my chicken. A piece at a time, take chicken out of buttermilk and dip in flour mixture, put on parchment paper. Work until all pieces are done and then do them one more time before you put into the pan with the oil. Cook for 5 to 10 minutes (depending on whether you are using tenderloins or breasts) browning on each side, then as they are done, put on baking sheet in a 300 oven to finish cooking. You can leave chicken whole or slice into pieces.

**For the Jalapeno Honey:** In a saucepan add the honey, jalapeno and lime juice and simmer until jalapeno is soft and infused into honey (about 15–20 minutes. (you can do this first and let it simmer while you are preparing the chicken). When this is done, drizzle over the cooked chicken and let it sit while you assemble your salad.

**For the Dressing:** Mix all the dressing ingredients and chill. I love to do this in a blender, it's quick and easy. You can also just mix in a bowl with a whisk.

**For the Salad:** Assemble individual salads or in a large bowl. Enjoy!

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### By Máteice Thomas

Do you find yourself feeling like you are burning the candle from both ends? It seems everyone I have spoken to lately is feeling just that way.

Another phrase I have heard a lot lately is that time seems to be flying by — the day, the month, the year. I personally have been feeling both things.

I sat down this weekend and asked myself what I can do to correct this. Unfortunately, sometimes we can't take away the responsibilities that we already have on our plate.

So, I decided to slow down when I can and be more deliberate when planning my little carved out pieces of free time. My goal is to find more ways to create free time that I can enjoy.

This is so important for our mental and physical health. It is so important to have our down time. We need to find things that are at a slower pace, that let us

just breath, things that make us happy and help us to unplug and destress.

Stress is linked to so many health problems: cancer, high blood pressure, heart conditions, diabetes — not to mention it releases our evil cortisol hormone that likes to store belly fat and none of us want that.

I have heard people say, “I don't have the time to slow down.” The simple fact is that you can choose to destress and slow down, or your body will make you.

Find things that make you happy and bring you joy. Plug one of them into each day. That would be a great start.

One fact that we all know, is that we are given this one life to live to the fullest, there are no do-overs. That does not mean to fill it so full that you can't enjoy it, fill it with your dreams, your loved ones and things you can do to stay healthy.

My Trainer Girl tip for you today is: Take time to unplug and enjoy a piece of your day, don't let your dreams go unfinished and live every day as if it's your last, with no regrets.

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



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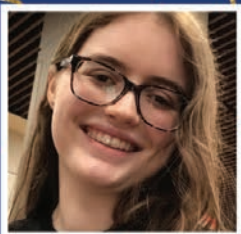
**Day Trippin' With Damon** – Ohiopyle Falls, sometimes referred to as the “Niagara Falls of Western Pennsylvania”, is located near the center of 19,052 acre Ohiopyle State Park. The name Ohiopyle comes from the Native American term “ohiopehla”, which loosely translates into modern English as “white, frothy water.”

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# Richland County Domestic Violence Shelter hosts “Painting For Prevention” traveling murals

The Richland County Domestic Violence Shelter is pleased to host a traveling mural show called “Painting for Prevention.” The show features 4-foot-by-8-foot artwork panels created by local artists and intended to convey themes of comfort, understanding, and hope.

“These incredible murals are evocative and uplifting,” said Richland County Domestic Violence Shelter Executive Director Colleen Rice. “When a person is in a state of healing, artwork can have a very therapeutic effect. We are delighted and grateful for the opportunity to host this collection for even a brief time as it moves throughout our area.”

The Domestic Violence Shelter is working with Mankind Murals and local artists to involve survivors at the shelter in creating original murals to adorn the shelter walls after the “Painting for Prevention” collection has moved on.

Mankind Murals and Children Services developed this innovative public art project with support from the Richland County Foundation and Public Arts Commission with the objective of moving the art around Richland County. The murals were most recently displayed at Buckeye Imagination Museum. They will be on display at the shelter for a few months before moving on to their next destination.

To learn more about the murals, or to inquire about serving as a host location, contact Luke Beekman of Mankind Murals at 419-956-0777 or visit [www.MankindMurals.org](http://www.MankindMurals.org).

For additional information about the Domestic Violence Shelter, contact Colleen Rice, executive director, at [crice@thedvshelter.com](mailto:crice@thedvshelter.com) or call 419-774-5843 ext. 101.



Artist Evelia Sowash and Nayana



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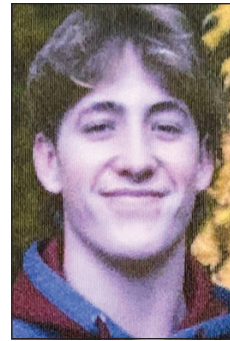
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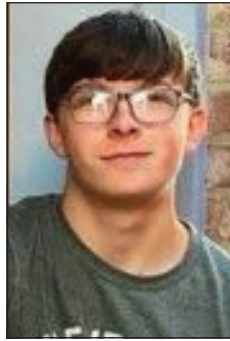


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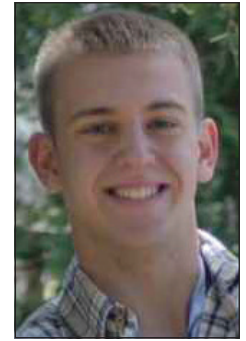
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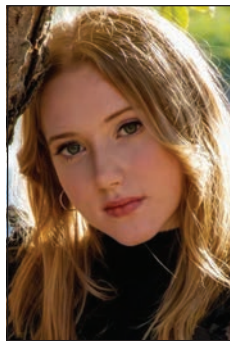
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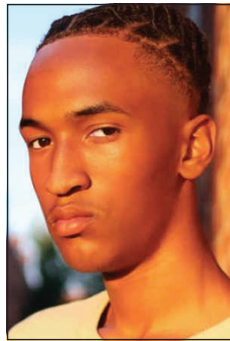
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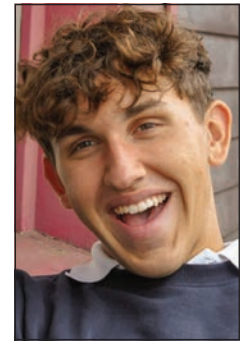
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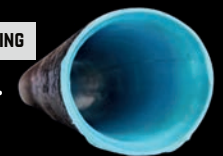
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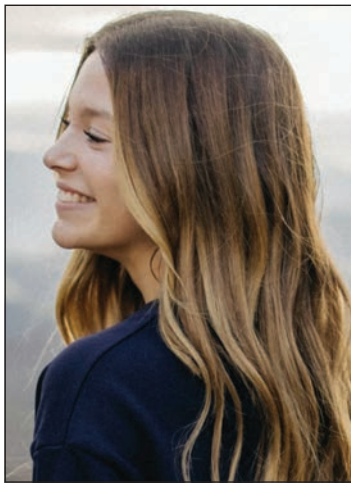


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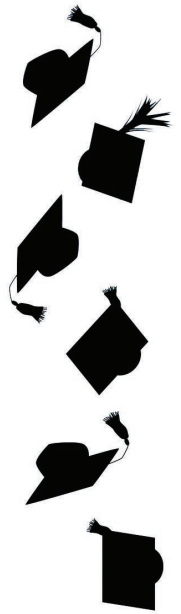
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Makayla Rose Westbrook



Joel David Yoxtheimer



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Temple Christian hosts 46th Annual Commencement Ceremony

The Senior Class of Temple Christian School received diplomas at the 46th Annual Commencement Ceremony on May 25.

The opening prayer was given by David Yoxtheimer, followed by the salutatorian address from Maggie Eagle.

The Pastor's Award was presented by Pastor Robert J. Kurtz to Rachel McKenzie.

The valedictorian address was given by Evelyn Day.

The senior class sang "Gratitude" and the class address was given by Pastor Bruce Bowman.

Steve Harris gave the presentation of the class and the presentation of diplomas was given by Pastor Robert J. Kurtz, administrator.

The ceremony included the honoring of parents and a video presentation of the Class of 2024.

The closing prayer was given by Pastor Travis McKenzie of Compassion Church (Ashland).

Class colors are kelly green and white.

Class advisor is Jenessa Jorgensen and junior attendants were Ashlynn Knepsheild, Evan Carroll, and Malachi Keim.

Logo for The Ohio State Reformatory and Happy Graduation Class of 2024.

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# Honor and Merit Rolls

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**Seniors** — Kylie Belcher, Alton Jeffries, Collin Johnson, Abigail Kitzmiller, Mikka Knapik, Nate Lind, Madison McKenna, Macy Ousley, Caleb Peters, Evan Picchioni, Hayden Roberts, Madison Ruhl, Aria Stage, Andrea Swainhart, Grace Weikle, Alexandria Welshans, Linzy Weyhmeller and Kendall Windsor

**Juniors** — Ava Beard, Melodie Blubaugh, Bobbie Jo Fliger, Kylie Lorentz, Fisher McLaughlin, Emily Montgomery, Rebecca Pryor, Jonah Sharp and Kaybria Sims

**Sophomores** — Ethan Beck, Alyson Brokaw, Nicholas Coker, Mattie Colegrove, Tristan Cromer, Kaiden Dettmer, Caroline Dill, Tyler Evans, Liam Hamilton, Madelyn Hite, Jasmine Johnson, Marissa Kenison, Rowyn Lang, Clayton Lewis, Jozie Lloyd, Austin McFerren, Kenadee Muntain, Lucy Myer, Callie New, Eliana Pelkey, Selena Ross, Myles Sharp, Matthew Shutt, Faith Smith, Mary Stupka, Shelbi Sullivan, Sophia Wharton, Mia Wilson, Ashtyn Wine and Nathaniel Wine

**Freshmen** — Asia Bechtel, Jadalyn Brokaw, Grace Burgholder, Mackenzie Daniels, Aiden Demoss, Mariah Hatfield, Alaina Hawkins, Davis Hoeflich, Marcus Hoeflich, Caleb Mack, Alexis Radcliffe, Samuel Robinson, Bryn Sansom, Hudson Schag, Ella Schmidt, Kabuto Setser, Hailly Thrush, Arianna Vanhooose, Austin VanHouten and McKenzie Wandall

### HONOR ROLL

**Seniors** — Heather Atherton, Cory Balduff, Timothy Conkling, Marissa Lawhun, Allison Montgomery, Sydney Mortimer, Kadynce Muntain, Sophia Perry and Abigail Sauder

**Juniors** — April Berry, Jayden Bowman-Rasmus, Emily Conrad, Garrett Hotz, Grant Keep, Carter King, Trevor Kinnamon, Isabella

Oswalt, Reina Rehberg, Arianna Reid, Peyton Salisbury, Lola Stillion and Claire Wallis

**Sophomores** — Kailyn Bowman, Jacob Brokaw, Alyssa Burger, Benjamin Campbell, Taylor Carpenter, Ava Carr, Tre Copeland, Abigail Geary, Lucas Goodman, Iona Hickerson, Brenley Higgins, Ethan Hull, Gwyneth Jones, Zoe Lamp, Erny Nutter, Bryar Ousley, Hunter Rahall, Bailee Riddle, Paisley Thrush, Michael Tokar, Liliana Trunzo, Audrey Vanausdle and Sophia Wilson

**Freshmen** — Jonathan Annis, Adelaine Bash, Mary(Max) Betts, Coy Bieri, Taylor Bly, Arianna Bostic, Addison Brown, Wesley Bunnell, Layla Daugherty, Gavin Domka, Benjamin Dudley, Allie Emerson, Noah Goodman, Charles Granholm, Brynley Kirkpatrick, James Lifer, Joseph Lykins, Brody McGregor, Landen McKee, Katrina Neal, Zachary Nelson, Marin Ocheltree, Ava Roberts, Jonah Robison, Isaac Ross, Alexander Schlosser, Chloe Steward, Wade Traxler, Addison Weikle and Adalyn Wise

### MERIT ROLL

**Seniors** — Renee Anders, Zain Brown, Caden Freitag, Austin McCune and Isabella Swiatek

**Juniors** — Segno Ault, Christopher Fenton, Brooklynn Lutzmann, Melisa Maldonado Elias, Kylie McGinty, Chloe Mowry, Mackenzie Palmer, Dawson Staley, Christian Walker, Allyson Walls and Lillian Weikle

**Sophomores** — Jhayda Ammons, Tobin Amos, Brinley Barnett, Sabree Caudill, Reece Cook, Xander Cyphers, Savannah Dorion, Hansen Dornbirer, Jason Hamilton, Aiden Haring, Lilah Henry, Addison Johnson, Zackery Johnson, Trysten Kilgore, Karter Kline, Kaleb Martin, Nicholas Martin, Garrett Ranshaw, Porter Schmidt, Hadley Slaughter, Rozy Stover, Gavin Walker, Mason Walls, Ava Wharton and Makenna Wuertz

**Freshmen** — Morgan Armstrong, Aubree Barnes, Landon Berry, Cooper Brokaw, Weston Coble, Carter Coale, Wade Davis, Christian Edwards, Jonathan Evans, Peyton Freitag, Erika Hollar, Colin Hull, Ethan Line, Isabella McKenna, Mya Perry, Marley Pinkerton, Ashlyn Salisbury, Miley Shafer, Deacon Sims, Nicholas Skaggs, Owen Weikle and Owen Weiser

## News Briefs in Education

Kelly Wisner of Mansfield was named to the honors list for the Spring 2024 semester at Mercy College of Ohio. To be named on the list, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.3 or higher and be enrolled for 6-11 credit hours. Wisner is earning a BS in Medical Imaging. Mercy College of Ohio is a Catholic institution with a campus in Toledo, OH.

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Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within each division for the spring semester 2024 have been named to the dean's list recognizing academic excellence. Local students on the list are Morgan Dininger of Lexington, Jenah Calderhead of Mansfield, Shelby Zimmerman of Ontario and Emma Shaffer of Ontario.

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Miami University students ranked in the top three percent of undergraduate students within each division for the spring 2024 semester have been named to the president's list recognizing academic excellence. Local students on the list are Ben Pryor of Mansfield,

Elizabeth Hamler of Mansfield, Sophia Masi of Mansfield, Hope York of Mansfield and Jake Kmetz of Ontario.

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Area students have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2024 semester at the University of Mount Union.

Local students are Alex Depperschmidt of Mansfield, Andrew Hathaway of Lexington, Jacob Hathaway of Lexington, Kaylan Lamb of Lexington, Adriana Russell of Mansfield and Lucas Starling of Mansfield. To be eligible for the list, students must have completed at least 12 credit hours of traditionally graded coursework while achieving a grade point average of 3.550 or better with no letter grade below a B. The University of Mount Union is in Alliance, OH.

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Ashley McLaughlin of Mansfield was named to the dean's list for the spring 2024 term at University of Maryland Global Campus. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at UMGC.

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# Romanchuk announces funding for district projects

State Senator Mark Romanchuk (R-Ontario) announced the investment of millions from the One-Time Strategic Community Investment Fund (OTSCIF) to fund meaningful projects that will benefit local communities and residents for years to come.

“These projects will enhance our children’s education, our health, and our safety,” said Senator Romanchuk. “I am pleased we have been able to obtain significant funding for so many worthwhile endeavors.”

The following projects were awarded funding to Senate District 22:

- \$1.5 million to Mansfield Christian School to add classrooms and cafeteria space in order to serve more students. It will also provide a new Career Academy Program, designed to connect students to local employers.

- \$1.4 million toward construction of the Akron Children’s Medina Health Center.

- \$1 million to Cinnamon Lake Sanitation for operation and maintenance upgrades.

- \$1.15 million to Avita Comprehensive Cancer Center to provide a new 26,000 sq. ft. cancer care facility. 14 chemotherapy rooms, a Radiation Oncology Suite, and a specialized pharmacy will be included.

- \$600,000 to Plymouth Fire Department for a new firehouse to include: sleeping area, offices, training, and community room.

This unique, one-time fund was established under the state’s current operating budget, House Bill 33, passed by the Ohio General Assembly in June of 2023.

The OTSCIF set aside \$700 million as an additional source of funding that communities and organizations could apply for to help with projects that might not qualify as part of the state’s traditional Capital Budget that happens every two years.

Each chamber developed a plan for \$350 million of the total amount while coordinating good faith negotiations to determine projects for the OTSCIF.

The Senate Finance Committee will begin hearings on the bill addressing the OTSCIF funding immediately. Click here for a list of projects and a link highlighting specific projects in senators’ districts. Follow On The Record for additional updates as the Capital Budget advances through the General Assembly.

# Sutton Bank appoints new chair and directors to board

Sutton Bank has announced the appointment of Lisa E. Young, CPA of Tiffin as chair of its Board of Directors.

Young has served on the Board since 2015 and brings over 30 years of experience in banking, finance and accounting, formerly serving as a staff accountant for Crowe LLP in Columbus, and as former Assistant Vice President and Controller for Commercial Savings Bank in Upper Sandusky. Since 1994, Young has been a sole proprietor of an independent accounting firm in Tiffin, providing tax preparation, planning and financial consulting for small- and medium-size businesses.

Young earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration & Accounting from The Ohio State University. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Ohio Society of Certified Public Accountants. She has served as a past chairman of the Tiffin Community YMCA Board and co-chair of the \$2 million capital campaign.

Sutton Bank has also announced the nomination of MJ (Mike) Anderson and Dr. Matt Roberts to its Board of Directors.

MJ Anderson is currently a Vice President for The Andersons, Inc., where he oversees multiple groups that trade agricultural commodities throughout the United States, as well as containerized grain and oilseeds for export. Anderson started with The Andersons in 2003 in grain operations, and since then, he has held many roles in trading as well as trade management and risk management.

Anderson also represents the grain trading industry, serving as chair for the National Grain and Feed Association’s Risk Management Committee. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Tennessee at Martin.

Dr. Matt Roberts is an independent economist and professional speaker, who has delivered over 700 non-academic speeches and talks to agriculture, banking, and government groups including the Ohio Bankers League, Nebraska Bankers Association, Johannesburg Stock Exchange, Bank CEO Network, and the American Farm Bureau Federation. Roberts received a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri, and a Ph.D. in Economics from North Carolina State University.

In the 1990s, Roberts worked as a commodity and energy derivatives broker in Vienna, Austria and as a market research consultant to the pharmaceutical industry in North Carolina. He later founded the Kernmantle Group, an independent economic research and consulting group, specializing in agriculture and energy commodity markets and from 2022–’24 he was Senior Grain & Oilseed Analyst at Terrain.

In addition to the appointments of Young, Anderson and Roberts, Todd Sutton was nominated to serve as chair of Sutton Bancshares, Inc., the holding company of Sutton Bank. Sutton has served on the Bank’s Board of Directors since 2018.

He is the great-great-grandson of Lester Sutton, the founder of Sutton Bank, and the son of Alva J. Sutton, former president of Sutton Bank. He grew up in Attica and worked at the Bank while attending high school. He then attended The Ohio State University, graduating in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration majoring in Finance and Information Systems.

Sutton has been with DuPont, later known as Primient Covation, since graduating Ohio State, in a series of market-facing and business leadership roles. He is currently the President of Primient Covation, a \$100 million joint venture in East Tennessee manufacturing biomaterials from renewable plant-based ingredients. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Tennessee State Chamber of Commerce and Industry, advocating on behalf of businesses in the state.

The new board elections became effective following the Bank’s Annual Shareholder Meeting which was held on April 26, in Attica.

“We are grateful to be guided by such a strong, accomplished Board of Directors,” said Tony Gorrell, CEO of Sutton Bank. “The depth of their experience and corporate leadership expertise in finance, business, agriculture and risk management will help guide our growth strategies, and allow us to continue to provide products and services that evolve with our customers’ needs.”

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# Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

## NCOFCA ALL-STAR FOOTBALL • PHOTOS BY JEFF HOFFER

The 38th Blackstone NCOFCA All-Star Classic Football Game was held June 7 at Clear Fork High School. Local students on the South Team were Logan Toms, Aidan Culler and Brayden Spittle, Lucas; Grason Bias, Quinton Frankhouse, Chase Studer and Trey Booker Ontario; Ja'Ontay O'Bryant, Carmelo Smith, Jahmere Dotson and Duke Reese, Mansfield Senior; Aedon Nicol, Lexington; and Kasey Swank, Clear Fork.

Local student on the North Team were Grayson Sasis, William Kepple, Preston and Martin, Madison; and Casey Lantz, Issiah Ramsey, Issiah Beck and Skyler Winters, Shelby.

The North Team head coach is Tylor Nester and the South Team head Coach is CJ Westler.



## Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

## Scott Oliver tearing-up go-kart tracks to chase IndyCar dream

By Kris Leiter

Sometimes childhood dreams become reality. Growing up as kids, we sometimes dream of becoming a professional athlete, throwing the touchdown pass to win the Super Bowl or hitting the game-winning home-run.

Scott Oliver, 22, from Lexington, and his family, are seeing his dream come true. If you haven't heard of him yet, he may become a household name very soon in the racing world. He has an aspiring dream to race in the IndyCar circuit.

This IndyCar dream has been a priority for Scott for a number of years. As most of us know, it takes a lot of money and time. It's nearly impossible to wake up one morning and just jump into a professional race car and compete against veterans in the sport.

As we speak, Scott is paying his dues. Both figuratively and literally. With only being in the racing world a mere three years, starting at 19 years old, he has been putting in time, effort and finances in the karting world.

His father, Keith, and mother are fully joining forces in helping Scott achieve his dreams.

"He's a hard worker and we are so proud of him. He is currently working at Kroger," said Keith Oliver. "Scott is putting every dime into this. He pays for everything."

"When Scott first started, we actually rented his first kart, just to make sure it was something he wanted to continue to do."

As for a lot of professions, motor sports seems to be a niche sport, where sponsorship can be monumental and very expensive.

I had a chance to meet Scott and his family recently at Everbowl in Ontario, who is also currently a sponsor. Everbowl is owned by Nick Durchik and helps Scott with his funding for his karting. They were hosting an autograph signing session for his fans.

Scott is also sponsored by 301 Auto Repair in Mansfield and Baker's Auto Collision.



Scott Oliver and his dad his dad Keith

Scott brought home the bacon a few weeks ago in Cincinnati with a first place victory at the MCC Championship in a monumental "last-lap" takeover that was one of those finishes that gives you goosebumps.

"I only led the race the first lap and last lap," said Scott. "I fell back a few times, and with one lap remaining, I made the move from fourth to first place."

Scott knew the timing was right to make the move to pass the three leaders and began to overtake them and won the race in fine fashion at the finish line.

The karts are not your normal go-kart we had as kids. Karts can achieve speeds that reach well over 100 miles per hour, 23 horsepower, 360 lbs and 16,000 RPMs.

As mentioned, the sticker price on these karts can ring out at the cash register in the neighborhood of seven to eight thousand for a used kart.

As for tires, "We use a full set of tires every race," said Scott. "They cost around \$245 a set. We thank our sponsor Checker Motor Sports for helping us with that cost."

"We use 98 octane leaded fuel. This coincides with the mixed-two stroke engine, which is a gas-oil mixture."

The maintenance is actually pretty low with an exception, "Of course if anything else breaks, we do our own motor care, every two to 10 hours."

Scott has been expanding his territory as he has also raced at Nelson Ledges the local track here in Lexington, The Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course.

"I have raced BMWs as well a Hyundai Veloster at Mid-Ohio," said Scott.

Scott's next race will be July 5-7 in race number three of the MCC racing circuit. This will be in Batavia, OH, near Cincinnati.

They are currently looking for sponsors. Scott is also on the short list of picking up another major sponsor if he continues his accolades such as the exciting last minute finish in Cincinnati a few weeks ago.

"If we keep doing well, TKG, a major player in the racing arena, has expressed interest in sponsoring us and that would be awesome," he said.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

Springfield Township, Richland County, Ohio invites asphalt contractors to bid Township's Road work for 2024.

Sealed bids will be accepted until 6:30 p.m. on JUNE 24, 2024 at the Trustee's Office, 3700 Park Avenue West Ontario, Ohio 44903 at which time they will be publicly opened and read by the Fiscal Officer. Asphalt road resurfacing will be according to specifications available at the Trustees' Office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday Beginning JUNE 6, 2024.

Also BID PACKETS can be printed from the springfieldtwprc.org website. The Road Foreman will be available to answer questions at (419) 529-2565. All bids must be accompanied by a personal tax statement in accordance with state law and Ohio Workers Compensation and prevailing wage rate. Each bid will include a 10% bid bond as required by R. C. 153.54. Bids shall be clearly marked "2024 Road Improvement".

The Springfield Township Trustees reserve the right to reject any and all bids. All materials and equipment must meet state standards. All materials and equipment must meet state standards. The Trustees reserve the right to add or delete roads to stay within budget. The completion date is October 31, 2024.

Anita Kochheiser, Fiscal Officer  
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## STREET SALE

Taylorstown Rd., Mansfield/Shelby  
Friday & Saturday, June 14 & 15  
9 am - ?

Taylorstown Rd. will have a street sale. The road stretches from Ganges Five Points, Mansfield to Rt. 39, Shelby. Surrounding roads may have sales as well.

## GARAGE SALE

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(Across from Kuhn's Bridal)  
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## Premier Bank welcomes Smith as branch manager

Premier Bank has announced the addition of Brandon Smith as Assistant Vice President, Branch Manager II of the Aurora office.

Smith brings with him a decade of industry experience.

He most recently worked as a general manager for a regional bank headquartered in Columbus where he created a district-wide recognition program, which provided recognition and credit to deserving tellers.

In his new role as branch manager, Smith will lead his team to ensure an exceptional customer and colleague experience, drive growth and effectively represent the bank in the Aurora community while devel-

oping key business and community relationships.

"I enjoy building relationships and helping people financially where they may not have known how to go about it otherwise," said Smith. "I also enjoy coaching and training and seeing those on my team excel and advance in their careers," he added.

Smith, who attended the Sandusky Police Academy earning his Ohio Peace Officer certification, is an active member of his community. He serves as a board member of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce and Treasurer of The Rotary Club of Aurora. He also volunteers as a judge

for The Rotary Club of Aurora's 4 Way Speech Contest, where students are asked to prepare a 5 to 7 minute speech on a topic of their choice incorporating the Rotary International 4 Way Test values.

He resides in Twinsburg, with his wife, Tina, and their three children, Logan, Austin and Leah. His office is located at 7075 N. Aurora Rd., Aurora, OH. He can be contacted at 330-286-2885 or BSmith@YourPremier-Bank.com.

Premier Bank, headquartered in Youngstown, OH, operates 74 branches and nine loan offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania.

## Most popular veterans benefits don't expire

While some people may think that the veterans benefits they have earned from military service could disappear, this is inaccurate. The most popular veteran benefits have no expiration date. You can apply at any point and are not time-bound.

The three most popular veterans benefits are: disability compensation, home loan guaranty and education/G.I. Bill.

For these benefits, there are important dates to remember. If you miss those dates, you may be inconvenienced, but these benefits are still available.

Disability compensation is a tax-free monthly payment based on an injury or disability that occurred during service.

A veteran completes an application, referred to as a claim. Accompanying this claim is information about their service and medical conditions. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) evaluates the claim and grants or denies benefits.

A disability compensation claim can be filed as early as 180 days prior to completion of active duty and throughout the remainder of a veteran's life.

Many veterans file multiple claims throughout their lives as new conditions are identified or previously identified conditions worsen. There is no limit on how often this can be done.

Home Loan Guaranty allows Veterans to purchase a home with no money down. There is no time restriction on this benefit. It can be used repeatedly by veterans as they move and purchase new homes.

Education/G.I. Bill bene-

fits are significant for veterans. Serve for three years and you can earn four years of free college.

It can also be used for high-tech apprenticeships, advanced Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math training, and cre-

dentials and certificates.

If service ended prior to Jan. 1, 2013, veterans could qualify for the Post 9/11 G.I. Bill or the Montgomery G.I. Bill for active duty or reservists. Each of these has an expiration date, so check at VA.gov.

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