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FLAG DEDICATION — A group of war veterans, local dignitaries and residents gathered at the Gazebo in Bellville to dedicate two new flags which be flown on I-71 and Rt. 97. Doug Theaker said, "Each flag weighs about 70 pounds and is 40 foot long and 30 feet wide. He said the wind tears the flags and they need to be replaced every three or four months. Each flag costs \$1,500 and is made in the United States. Bellville Mayor Teri Brenkus said, "We have been getting calls wanting to know when the flags will be flown again. We had to wait because the Covid-19 epidemic and election year had the company busy making flags. We will be putting up a new flag in a few days." It takes six men to place the flags due to them being so large. Mayor Brenkus thanked everyone involved.

Senior center will begin offering meals 23 – Beef tips and noodles

Lexington Senior Center is working to open doors again to the seniors. Starting Feb. 2 the center will offer 'to-go' lunches. Homemade lunches will be brought to vehicles.

The center hopes to open doors for activities, indoor dining and 'to-go' lunches starting April 5, 2021, as permitted.

Lunches served for carry out are:

February

2 – Meatloaf, macaroni & cheese

4 – Garlic baked chicken, garlic potato

- cubes
 - 9 Stuffed peppers, mashed potatoes
- 11 Ham loaf, cheesy potatoes 16 - Corned Beef/Cabbage/Herbed Potato

Halves

18 - Lasagna, garlic gread, garlic vegetables

25 – Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes

- March
- 4 - Meatloaf, macaroni & cheese
- 9 Cabbage rolls, mashed potatoes
- 11 Ham loaf, herbed noodles
- 16 Pot roast, scalloped potatoes
- 18 Chicken/bacon, alfredo, garlic bread
- 23 Beef stroganoff and noodles

25 - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, garlic vegetables

30 - Open face turkey and mashed potatoes with gravy

April

1 – Easter ham, sweet potatoes

The center continues to offer homemade lunches for \$7 from 11 am to 1 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Scholarships available through agency

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has announced the availability of three scholarships for individuals pursuing higher education or classes benefitting the field of aging.

These scholarships are made possible through the generous contributions by sponsors at the annual meeting of the Area Agency on Aging each year.

Scholarship award amounts were determined by the Board of Trustees for the academic year of 2021-'22:

One \$2,000 for a student attending a 4year university; One \$1,000 for a student attending a 2-

year college or technical school;

One \$1,000 for a student attending any type of higher institute of learning.

For eligibility criteria guidelines and application form, visit www.aaa5ohio.org. Deadline for all applications is Feb. 1, 2021.

Questions may be directed to Susie Danuloff at 567-247-7105.

Lexington BOE agenda busy with approvals

The Lexington Board of Education met Wednesday, Jan. 13 for its regular meeting.

The board members and positions remain the same with Robert Whitney, board president; Keith Stoner, vice president; and members Dr. Martin Gottschling, David Roberts and Rob Schuster.

Board president Robert Whitney called the meeting to order followed by a report from treasurer Jason Whitesel. Approval was given for the fiscal year 2022 Tax Budget.

A donation of \$5,000 from Warren Knorr for the Terry McCammon Scholarship Fund was accepted and an invoice in the amount of \$7,850.01 from Naviance for a college and career readiness implementation package for the high school was approved.

The resignation of Rick Stephens as high school intervention specialist, effective at the end of the 2020-'21 school year, was accepted.

A salary adjustment was made for Diane Eifrid from ME + 20 to ME + 30.

Employment was granted to Dave Carter, long-term substitute high school guidance counselor effective Feb. 22 -May 7, 2021, \$110 per day; and Melinda Matuch, long-term sub, junior high, effec-tive Jan. 19 – Feb. 24, 2021, \$110 per day.

The board approved maternity leave for Kristen McPeek from approximately Feb. 17, 2021 through approximately May 10, 2021.

An unpaid leave of absence for Cynthia Patrick was approved, effective Nov. 16, 2020 through approximately the end of the 2020-'21 school year.

Coaching resignations were accepted from Jennifer Moore, high school track; Alyssa McCready, girls' JV soccer; and Jay Schmidt, junior high track.

The board approved the two-year contracts with the administrative team, supervisors, and those in non-union positions effective retroactively to Aug. 1, 2020 through July 31, 2022

The treasurer was authorized to advertise for bids for one new bus per the recommendation and specifications from the transportation department.

A revised Lexington substitute list dated 12/16/20 was approved as presented by MOESC.

Bronson Brown was accepted as a fourth grade tuition student for the second semester of the 2020-'21 school year.

The board approved the Resolution Establishing Educational Requirements for substitute teachers for 2020-'21.

The board also met for an organizational meeting on Jan. 13.

During the meeting, Andrew Burton was appointed legal counsel for calendar year 2021 in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.203 and 3313.47.

The Tribune-Courier, Richland Source and Mansfield News Journal were designated as the official newspapers of the district.

Board member compensation was approved at \$125 per meeting, the maximum allowance by law, for the calendar year of 2021.

The treasurer was authorized to secure position bonds as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code 3313.25 for board president in the amount of \$20,000; superintendent in the amount of \$20,000 and treasurer in the amount of \$100,000.

The superintendent, Jeremy Secrist, and treasurer were authorized to enter into and/or accept/participate in Federal, State or Local Grants or agreements and authorize the treasurer to appropriate funds for the grants awarded. They may also accept all donations to the school district on behalf of the Board of Education.

The treasurer is permitted to file requests for amendments of the Certificate of Estimated Resources with the Richland County Auditor as information becomes available to warrant such a filing. They may also make fund to fund advances, advance returns and transfers as needed throughout the year with board ratification as part of the financial reports at the next regular meeting.

The treasurer can invest interim and inactive funds in permissible investments pursuant to board policy and as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. They may also sign all checks on bank accounts of the school district and borrow funds in anticipation of future tax receipts at the best available rate for cash flow purposes.

The treasurer was given the ability to convene meeting of the Record Commission, not limited to, but at minimum annually.

The superintendent can send school employees to professional meetings within the amount of appropriations for calendar 2021 and cab employ such temporary personnel as needed in emergency situations as prescribed by Ohio Revised Code 3319.10. Such employment will be presented to the board for approval at the next regular meeting.

The treasurerer is authorized to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code as bills are received under assumption goods received or services performed are acceptable. The treasurer may also obtain advances against tax collections from the county auditor in order to meet current expenses.

The superintendent was appointed as the Title IX and Title VI coordinators.

2 – Pork chops, hash brown casserole



It has been an honor to serve you for the past decade, I had the honor of serving the people of Ohio's 22nd District in the State Senate. This included four years as senate president — the leader of the 33member chamber.

With term limits, however, my time in the Senate has now come to an end. I would like to take this moment to say "thank you" for giving me the opportunity to work for you. Many of you voted for me, and many others did not. But whether you voted for me or against me, for 10 years I was your voice in Columbus. I took that responsibility very seriously. I worked hard to be a faithful steward to ALL people of the 22nd District, to work with my colleagues across the aisle when possible, and to not let partisan bickering get in the way of the Senate doing its work.

Make no mistake, I followed a conservative agenda. During my tenure as senate president, the Ohio Senate consistently ranked among the most conservative legislative chambers in the country. We passed laws to protect unborn life, to cut taxes, to expand school choice and to protect the citizens' Second Amendment right to self-defense. But we also worked across the aisle often. In fact, more than 90 percent of the legislation that we passed was bipartisan.

We came together to reform Ohio's criminal justice system, to strengthen laws against human trafficking, to provide PTSD coverage for first responders, and to fight the opioid epidemic.

The Senate's Democratic leader and I even negotiated a new bipartisan process for drawing Congressional districts, which was eventually adopted by Ohio's voters by a 3-to-1 margin. At a time when our national politics seem more divisive and partisan than ever before, I was proud that the members of the Ohio Senate consistently worked together across party lines.

I worked hard to make the most of my time as senate president. Our priority bills weren't just window dressing. They dealt with complex, difficult issues that will be transformative for the State of Ohio.

During my tenure as the Senate's leader, we undertook multi-year efforts to improve Ohio's economy, strengthen our

business climate, protect our environment, and reform our criminal justice system. These included cutting income taxes by hundreds of millions of dollars, and giving a 100 percent tax cut to the working poor by eliminating four of Ohio's nine tax brackets.

We passed multiple bills to protect Lake Erie and Ohio's waterways. We enacted numerous bipartisan reforms to Ohio's criminal sentencing laws and provided for increased access to drug treatment and rehabilitation.

We passed legislation to promote investment in underserved areas through the use of Opportunity Zones.

I personally sponsored Ohio's "twoforone rule," which for a period of four years requires Ohio to repeal two outdated regulations each time a new regulation is adopted.

Of course, my tenure as the Senate's leader coincided with some of the most challenging times in modern history. The Covid-19 pandemic strained the entire nation, and Ohio was no exception.

For policymakers this meant very difficult choices, as we tried to strike the correct balance between preserving public health, protecting the economy, and defending peoples' freedoms. And while many state legislatures were in recess for 2020, the Ohio Senate was not.

In fact, we redoubled our efforts and held one of the longest legislative sessions in memory, working throughout the pandemic and holding voting sessions into late December. I hope that we struck the right balance. But whether you agree or disagree, please know that my Senate colleagues and I always tried to do what we thought was right.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve our community. I look forward to seeing what the New Year, and a new group of State Senate leaders, have in store for Ohio.

I represented Ohio's 22nd Senate District (consisting of Medina, Ashland and Richland Counties, as well as portions of Holmes County) from 2011–'20. I served as Ohio Senate President from 2017–'20.

Larry Obhof (former president of the Ohio Senate)



AMAZON ORIGINAL MOVIE

Sound of Metal, available to watch on Prime Video, stars Riz Ahmed as a rock drummer in an alternative rock duo with his girlfriend named Lou (Olivia Cooke).

As Ruben, Ahmed plays a complicated character as Ruben progressively begins to lose his hearing.

Ahmed is a terrific young actor, winning a Primetime Emmy Award for the terrific HBO miniseries *The Night Of...* Director Darius Marder shows what hearing loss is really like and makes the movie from Ruben's point of view.

Marder shows the audience everything he is feeling and experiencing from a failed hearing test to admission into a group that helps

addicts, which Ruben is, who experience hearing loss. The group is led by Joe played by Paul Raci who gives a great performance as a man determined to help Ruben but not feed into his addiction and failures to help himself.

Sound of Metal is one of the best movies about hearing loss I have seen. The way it tells the story concentrating on the main character first and then everyone around

him really makes the audience much more invested in the story. Ahmed gives a strong, terrific performance as he runs the gamut of emotions and brings his all to the character.

While the movie is not much more than the initial description, the performances, direction and way it tells its story is very effective and the story is so hopeful by the end that watching Ruben's journey, though painful at times, is well worth it.

Look for The Entertainment Examiner's video posts on YouTube.



Brown helps to launch partnership

On Monday Sen. Sherrod Brown helped launch a My Brother's Keeper Ohio (MBK Ohio) partnership with Ohio's public libraries. The new partnership will give MBK Ohio students access to a curated digital library of books written by African American authors that will be used as part of the statewide MBK Ohio virtual book club. OverDrive, a Cleveland based digital reading platform, is providing access to the library.

Kwame Alexander, a New York Times Bestselling Author, and 2015 Newbery Medal and Coretta Scott King Award Honor recipient, joined Brown, the Ohio Library Council, and Ohio State University's Kirwan Institute to kick-off the book club during the launch event.

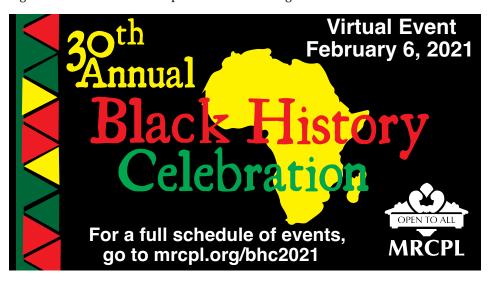
Alexander's book, *The Crossover*, is the first MBK OH virtual book club selection, which the Cleveland Public Library and Cuyahoga County Public Library are leading. This virtual event was open to both

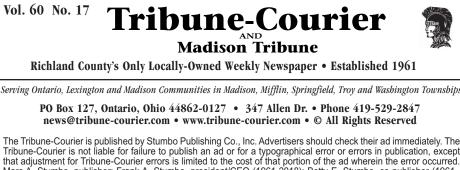
MBK and Non-MBK Ohio students.

My Brother's Keeper was started by President Obama as a national initiative to address the opportunity gaps facing young men of color, and to ensure that all young people reach their full potential.

Earlier this month, Brown was joined by Marsha Mockabee, Co-Chair of the Greater Cleveland MBK program, and Kevin Clayton, Vice President of Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement for the Cleveland Cavaliers, as they announced their partnership to engage with northeast Ohio students and address the opportunity gap facing young men of color.

Rev. Stanley Miller, Co-Chair of the Greater Cleveland MBK, also joined the call. More information on the MBK Ohio Program is available to read at https://www.brown.senate.gov/imo/me-dia/doc/MBK%20OH%202020%20Programming.





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Buckeye Children's Museum, set to open

Contributions to the project can be

made at https://www.richlandcountyfoun-

Those who need help with winter heating bills can apply for HEAP.

Applications are available by calling the

Area Agency at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799 Monday–Friday 9 am to 5 pm. Anyone age 18 and older may apply for

this assistance. Those 60 and over can

get assistance with filling out the applica-

tion. All heating types are eligible for energy assistance programs – electric, wood,

coal, natural gas, propane and kerosene.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2010 Park

Avenue West, Ontario, has changed the time of its drive-thru breakfast. It will hap-

pen on the second Saturday of the month

The Ontario 4th of July Festival is

To submit a news brief item, email in-

formation to news@tribune-courier.com.

scheduled for Saturday, July 3. The Miss

Ontario Pageant will be held June 26.

Deadlines are noon Mondays.

in late 2021/early 2022.

dation.org/donate.

from 9–10:30 am.



RICHLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONER CLIFF MEARS swears in Robert McConkie Jr. as Soil and Water Conservation District Board Supervisor on Jan. 19. With him is Brian Alt who was also sworn into the position.

McConkie Jr. and Alt will serve on Richland SWCD Board of Supervisors

Brian Alt and Robert (Rob) McConkie, Jr. were sworn into office as Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SW-CD) Board Supervisors on Jan. 19 by Richland County Commissioner Cliff Mears.

Alt was re-elected to serve another three-year term. McConkie Jr. is beginning his first three-year term. Both join Fred Cooke, Lanny Hopkins and David Krichbaum as board supervisors. The Board of Supervisors elected Brian Alt as chair, Fred Cooke as treasurer, Lanny Hopkins as secretary, David Krichbaum as vice chairn and Rob McConkie, Jr. as at large.

Supervisors are elected by Richland County residents to serve three-year terms as unpaid public officials. The Board of Supervisors create an annual and longterm plan of operation that protects the District's mission and vision and are interested, conservation-minded, local leaders who promote conservation of the county's natural resources through education, planning and technical assistance which are key to the success of the district.

Supervisors advocate for the district, attend and participate in monthly board meetings, assist with District programs and services, and attend area and state meetings.

Board supervisors meet the third Tuesday of every month at 9 am at 1495 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield and the public is welcome to attend the meetings. Those who wish to attend a meeting can contact Richland SWCD Director, Erica Thomas, at Director@Richlandswcd.net or 419-747-8684.

The Richland Soil and Water Conservation District develops, implements, and assists landowners, government agencies and our partners with a wide range of natural resource conservation programs.

Feb. 4, Effective Communication

Feb. 8, Dementia Conversations, 11 am;

Feb. 9, Understanding and Responding

Feb. 10, Effective Communication

Feb. 11, Healthy Living for Brain and

The Alzheimer's Association leads the

Body, 1 pm; and Living with Alzheimer's for Caregivers, Late Stage - Part 2, 6:30 pm

way to end Alzheimer's and all other de-

mentia - by accelerating global research,

driving risk reduction and early detection,

and maximizing quality care and support.

Its vision is a world without Alzheimer's

and dementia. In Ohio, more than 600,000

caregivers provide care for more than

220,000 loved ones. Visit alz.org or call

to Dementia-Related Behavior, 10 am; 10

Strategies, 11:30 am; and 10 Warning

Warning Signs of Alzheimer's, 2:30 pm

Signs of Alzheimer's, 4 pm

and Understanding Alzheimer's and

Strategies, 3 pm; and Living with

Alzheimer's for Caregivers, Late Stage

Virtual educational programs scheduled The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Dementia, 11 am

Part 1, 6:30 pm

Dementia, 3 pm

800-272-3900.

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter will be presenting a variety of virtual educational programs to help the community and families impacted by the disease.

These presentations cover a variety of topics and occur at different times during the day and evening via videoconferencing to allow individuals to participate in the convenience of their homes. They will discuss topics such as what is Alzheimer's disease, warning signs to look for, how to manage behaviors, and to strategize about how to have difficult conversations.

The programs are helpful for anyone experiencing signs of memory loss, their family members who may be concerned, and community members looking for more education.

All programs are free and open to the public. Registration is required. To register call 800-272-3900.

Feb. 1, Healthy Living for Brain and Body, 3 pm; and Living with Alzheimer's -Younger Onset, 6 pm

Feb. 2, Dementia Conversations,2:30 pm Feb. 3, Understanding Alzheimer's and

News Briefs

Ridgeway Church of God, 1380 Park Avenue East (Madison Township), will host a drive-thru spaghetti dinner on Friday, Feb. 5, from 4:30–6:00 pm.

The menu will include spaghetti, salad and bread. Those wanting a dinner can pull up and place an order and it will be brought to the car. Cost is a freewill donation. All proceeds will benefit the church. For more information call 419-589-5385.

Richland Newhope/Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities is now seeking nominations for its CARE awards. CARE stands for Compassion, Advocacy, Respect, and Excellence. The award categories are Direct Support Professional, Self-Advocate and Community Partner.

A nomination form with descriptions of all of the award categories can be found at www.rnewhope.org. Forms are also available at the Richland Newhope Administration Building, 314 Cleveland Ave., Mansfield. The nomination deadline is Feb. 19. For more information contact Troy Smith at 419-774-4215 or tsmith@rnewhope.org.

The Imagination District received an award of \$1 million through the state's capital budget to help the new Little

ODOT offering free UAS online classes The number of drones in the United such as surveying and inspections of prop-

The number of drones in the United State has exploded in the past decade. Currently 1.7 million drones are registered with the Federal Aviation Administration. However, only about 208,000 pilots are certified to fly them.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is proud to announce free e-learning courses that provide the fundamental knowledge needed in preparing for the Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Remote Pilot Certification Exam.

This is a great place to start for individuals that currently fly as a hobby or would like to fly UAS for work-related applications.

Becoming a certified pilot will provide the knowledge and background needed to safely fly drones and open the door to so many opportunities. UAS remote pilots utilize their skills in performing work such as surveying and inspections of property, roads, bridges, buildings, and telecommunications structures. They can do filmmaking, photography, homeland security, and more.

There are currently job opportunities all over Ohio where companies are looking for UAS pilots to join their team.

Interested persons can access the courses through the Ohio Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) website learning.transportation.ohio.gov.

After completing the FREE e-learning courses, participants will be prepared to take the certification exam. ODOT is providing this information for individuals and those looking to expand their businesses capabilities.

For more information about the free elearning courses contact Ohio LTAP at ltap@dot.ohio.gov or 1-877-800-0031.



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ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB made masks for all its members. The masks were designed by Sunshine Liu. Modeling the masks are officers Ellie Maurer, Colton Geer, and Sunshine Liu.

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Rensaissance announces auditions for West Side Story in Concert

The Renaissance Theatre and Mansfield Symphony have announced virtual auditions for the 2021 West Side Story in Concert which will take place live on stage March 20, 2021 at the Renaissance Theatre, Mansfield.

Auditions are open to performers ages 16 and older. All diversities are encouraged to submit as the Renaissance maintains a policy of ethnically appropriate casting.

The following roles will be filled:

Maria: Latina, late teens/early twenties, classical soprano - Bflat3-C6 Tony: Late teens/early twenties, classical

tenor, B2-Bflat4

Anita: Latina, 20s-30s, mezzo, F3-D5 Bernardo: Latino, 20s-30s, Bari-

tone/Tenor, Bflat2-Eflat4 Riff: Late teens/early twenties, Bflat2-G4 Ensemble of three men/three women

All roles are paid and all safety, masking and social distancing policies are strictly enforced. Rehearsals will begin March 16–20, 2021. The performance is March 20 at 8 pm at the Renaissance Theatre.

Auditionees are asked to prepare 16 bars of a musical theatre song in the style of the show. Resume and video including an introduction and audition can be sent to production@mansfieldtickets.com

Parties interested in submitting an audition should do so via an unlisted YouTube video link with the subject heading "[Your Name] - West Side Story Audition Submission" Please do not include a video file as an attachment in the email.

The deadline to submit an audition is Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Considered one of the greatest musicals of all time, West Side Story is set amid the racial tensions in the slums of midcentury New York City.

With an unforgettable score by Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim, it contains such classics as One Hand One Heart, I Feel Pretty, Tonight, Somewhere and Maria.

The Renaissance Theatre is located at 138 Park Avenue West, Mansfield. For more information visit rentickets.org or contact renaissance@mansfieldtickets.com.

Richland Academy awards released

Richland Academy of the Arts has announced the successful release of \$15,672 in Tuition Assistance and Scholarships to families who qualified for the Spring 2021 semester. In an effort to offer quality arts education to all in the Mansfield and surrounding communities, Richland Academy offers tuition assistance and scholarship opportunities year-round.

"There is importance in providing students of all ages with opportunities to explore the arts, whether it is through music, art, theatre, dance, or martial arts," states Alli Lange, Richland Academy of the Arts Media and Marketing Coordinator.

"Richland Academy has been serving the Mansfield and surrounding communities faithfully for over 30 years, and we hope to continue to enrich the lives of all who participate in our programs."

Tuition Assistance at Richland Academy is made possible by Fundraisers, Designated Donations and the Neil Doerman Scholarship Trust, an endowed fund that helps hundreds of students each year in their arts education journey. Those interested in donating to the Tuition Assistance program can contact the academy to help 'make the arts available to all."

For more information on registering for classes or lessons or on financial assistance options call 419-522-8224 or visit www.richlandacademy.com. Richland Academy is located at the corner of 4th and Walnut St., Mansfield and was founded in 1991. It is supported by the Ohio Arts Council.

Church Directory

Bunkerhill Baptist Church 3340 St. Rt. 97, Butler • 567-430-9002 Pastor Thomas Crank 11 am Sunday Worship 10 am Sunday School Bible Study 7 pm Wednesdays

Hillside First Church of God 2369 Bowman Rd., Mansfield • Pastor Glenn M. Phillips Sunday Worship 10 am • Wednesdays 6 pm hillsidefcg@hotmail.com

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church 1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield • 419-589-2114 Father Matthew Frisbee Saturday Worship, 4 pm and Sunday Worship 11 am Tuesday Worship 5:30 pm and Friday Worship 9 am Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

www.mansfieldstmarys.org



Mayflower Congregational Church

548 North McElroy Rd. • 419-589-6612 Pastor Rev. Dr. Rich Rader 9:15 am Sunday School • 10:30 am Sunday Worship Wednesday Bible Study 11 am www.mansfieldmayflower.com

Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 West Church St., Lexington • 419-884-1330 **Reverend James Randas** 10:30 am Sunday Worship

Risen Savior Lutheran Chruch

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield • 419-775-1175 Pastor Brad Wright • risensaviormansfield.com 9 am Sunday Family Bible Time • 10 am Sunday Worship

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G & M Body & Paint Shop 1689 West Fourth St., Ontario 419-529-2747

Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario • 419-529-4345 Rev. Christine Bell Sunday Worship 10:15 am Bible Study: Please check the website for current schedule ontarioumc.com

St. Paul Mansfield Lutheran - ELCA

ALL are welcome • "Living and Loving like Jesus" 2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351 Pastor Jonathan Stufft Sunday Worship 9:30 am Free breakfast 2nd Saturday each month, 9–10:30 am www.stpaulmansfield.org

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church

25 Church St., Bellville Pastor William Humphrey Sunday Services at 10:30 a.m.

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Memorial Arrangements

Donna Jean Puckett

Donna Jean (Hassler) Puckett, of Lexington, passed away on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. Beloved wife of 49 years to Richard Orbra Puckett - Honorable Korean War Veteran Coast Guard. Loving daughter of the late Harold and Nora Hassler; Sister in law of the late Judy Hostetler (Dan); aunt Mark Hostetler; Mother of Stephen and Christopher and the late Thomas and David; grand-mother of Danielle and Lillian; Great Grandmother of Cameron and Lillianna. All Services Private. www.ZMFH.com



Local bloodmobiles scheduled for February

The American Red Cross typically has a tough time keeping the blood supply strong during the winter months when inclement weather and seasonal illnesses can impact donors. This year the pandemic adds in another challenge in keeping the blood supply strong. The Red Cross is urging healthy individuals to make an appointment to give blood or platelets this month. Bloodmobiles are scheduled for

Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1–6 pm, Lexington High School, 159 Frederick St., Lexington

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2–7 pm, Lucas Community Center, 252 West Main St., Lucas; and 1-7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, Feb. 4, 8:30 am to 2:30 pm, St. Peter's High School, 111 West First St., Mansfield

Wednesday, Feb. 10, 1–7 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Make an appointment to give blood, platelets or plasma with the Red Cross by downloading the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enabling the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device.

The Red Cross is testing blood, platelet and plasma do-nations for COVID-19 antibodies. The test may indicate if the donor's immune system has produced antibodies to this coronavirus, regardless of whether an individual developed COVID-19 symptoms.

Red Cross antibody tests will be helpful to identify individuals who have COVID-19 antibodies and may now help current coronavirus patients in need of convalescent plasma transfusions. Convalescent plasma is a type of blood donation collected from COVID-19 survivors that have antibodies that may help patients who are actively fighting the virus. Plasma from whole blood donations that test positive for COVID-19 antibodies may be used to help COVID-19 patients.

COVID-19 antibody test results will be available within one to two weeks in the Red Cross Blood Donor App or donor portal at RedCrossBlood.org. A positive antibody test result does not confirm infection or immunity. The Red Cross is not testing donors to diagnose illness. To protect the health and safety of staff and donors, it is important that individuals who do not feel well or believe they may be ill with COVID-19 postpone donation.

Each Red Cross blood drive and donation center follows high standards of safety and infection control, and additional precautions - including temperature checks, social distancing and face coverings for donors and staff - have been implemented to help protect the health of all those in attendance. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at the drive and are required to wear a face covering or mask while at the drive, in alignment with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention public guidance.

RPH answers questions about vaccine

Submitted By Reed Richmond, Health Education and Communications Specialist

Ohio continues its plan to vaccinate millions of residents against COVID-19 over the next six months. This should bring us one step closer to the end of the pandemic, but it doesn't mean that we should be so quick to abandon established practices that slow the spread. To be clear – even after you receive the COVID-19 vaccine, it's important to continue behaviors like maskwearing and social distancing.

"There are several reasons why it's safer for you, your loved ones and the people in your community when everyone continues to wear masks and social distance even if you've gotten a COVID-19 vaccine," says Thomas Bader, M.D., vice president of medical quality at Hackensack Meridian Health (www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org) "When everyone does their part to stop the spread of this virus – whether that means getting vaccinated, wearing masks and staying six feet apart from people outside of your household – it helps to keep our communities safer while we work to get the pandemic under control.'

Why We Must Continue COVID Protective Measures

1. The vaccine doesn't guarantee complete immunity The currently authorized mRNA vaccines have been found to provide up to 95% immunity against COVID-19. That means that there is still a small chance that you could get infected, so you need to continue to protect yourself while COVID-19 cases are high in your area.

Wearing a mask can limit your exposure to the virus, which should greatly lower your chances of becoming ill, even if you've been vaccinated.

2. You might infect others with COVID-19

It's unclear whether or not people who receive the COVID-19 vaccine have the ability to spread the virus to others, even if they don't become sick themselves. Researchers are now studying whether the vaccines prevent asymptomatic transmission of the virus.

If you've been vaccinated, it may be possible for enough of the virus to be present in your nose or mouth for you to unknowingly spread it to those around you, even if you don't experience symptoms. Until researchers confirm that this doesn't happen, wearing a mask helps you protect the people in your community who haven't received the vaccine yet.

3. It takes time to achieve "herd immunity"

For herd immunity to help stop the spread of COVID-19, enough people would have to become immune, through vaccination, to the virus that causes the disease. It's unknown at the moment what percentage of the population would need to get vaccinated to limit the spread of the virus this wav.

Some experts believe that herd immunity may be achieved if 60 or 70 percent of the population is vaccinated. Others suggest that an even higher percentage of people would need to be vaccinated for herd immunity to have an effect. The actual figure remains to be determined.

At the moment, only 2-3 percent of Ohio residents have received COVID-19 vaccines, so we have a long way to go before our communities could reach herd immunity. Until we achieve herd immunity, it's important that we all take steps to protect one another.

How to Continue to Protect Yourself

For those reasons, it's critical to continue doing everything you can to protect yourself and your family. That includes continuing to wear a mask over your nose and mouth when you're around people from outside your household, stay 6 feet away from people who aren't from your household, limit the time you spend in indoor spaces, especially poorly ventilated ones, avoid crowds and close contact with people from outside your household and wash your hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer.

"As we continue to distribute vaccines across our communities, it's important that we all continue to do our parts to limit this spread," says Dr. Bader. "With these

vaccines, we have hope for a more normal future and a path to get there."

Why do I need a COVID-19 vaccine if I've already been exposed to the virus? It's unknown how long any COVID-19 antibodies that are in your system may protect you from the virus, or how high the levels in your system would need to be to offer you protection. There have been some reports of people that have been re-infected with COVID-19, which indicates that the natural immunity wears off over time. Also, it's possible to get a false positive result on an antibody test, which may lead you to believe that you have COVID-19 antibodies when you actually don't.

Will a COVID-19 vaccine prevent me from getting sick again? Yes, to some extent. Both mRNA vaccines were found to be about 95% effective at protecting against COVID-19. The vaccines train your body's immune system to identify a spike protein on the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 and fight it off, should it enter your system. You should expect to experience the full effects of the vaccine's immunity potential about two weeks after vou receive the second dose of the vaccine. Even if you do get an infection after vaccination, the vaccine will likely prevent the more severe forms of Covid.

How soon can I get a COVID-19 vaccine after I've been sick with the virus? If you're actively sick with COVID-19, or if you've just recovered, hold off for a while before getting vaccinated. Experts recommend that you wait until you are fully recovered from your infection and are no longer in isolation before you receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

Given the limited vaccine supply and your natural immunity following your COVID infection, you may wish to wait up to 90 days for the vaccine (so that others - who have no immunity - can receive their vaccine now). However, you are not required to wait 90 days.

Are there any other things that I can do to avoid getting COVID-19 again? Before and after you receive a COVID-19 vaccine, follow the recommended safety guidelines (listed earlier in this article) to lower your chances of contracting the virus. It may be possible to become ill if you're exposed to COVID-19 after any antibodies in your system wear off and before the vaccine takes full effect, about two weeks after your second injection.



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Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights

Ontario swim teams sweep MOAC Championship

Ontario hosted the MOAC Championship on Saturday, Jan. 23. Both the boys and girls Swim teams took first place in 20 out of 24 events. The boys reached the top of the leader board with 186 points, followed by Shelby with 130 points, Marion Pleasant 103, Marion Harding 63, Galion 57 and River Valley at 30.

Ontario posted five meet records and had four swimmers as quadruple winners. Will Bolin, Colin Cordrey, Brienne Trumpower, and Tiffany Whittaker all had two individual wins plus were part of two relays. Trumpower swam meet records in all of her events.

Seniors Will Bolin and Gregory Tan led the team with Bolin at 20 points placing first in both the 50 free and 100 fly. Tan added 18 points placing first in the 100 free and second in the 50 free. Both also contributed 40 additional points with 200 and 400 free relays.

Sophomore Colin Cordrey scored 20 points with first places in 200 free and 100 back. Junior Evan Trumpower added 18 points with two second places in the 200 IM and 100 breast. Alex Matthes placed first in his 500 free adding 15 points. Alex Rose with 14, Dylan Damron 13,and Duncan Mclean 10.

Ontario took first place in all boys relays. 200 Medley Relay: Colin Cordrey, Evan Trumpower, Dylan Damron and Alex Rose. 200 Free Relay: Evan Trumpower, Alex Rose, Gregory Tan and Will Bolin. 400 Free Relay: Will Bolin, Dylan Damron, Colin Cordrey and Gregory Tan.

The girls reached the top of the leader board with 177 points. Followed by Shelby with 138 points, Galion 131, River Valley 66, Marion Harding 46 and Marion Pleasant 26.

Leading the girls with 20 points each, junior Tiffany Whittaker placed first in the 500 free and 100 breast; sophomore Brie Trumpower placed first in the 50 and 100 free. Senior Amy Evans contributed 18 points with first place in the 100 fly and second place in the 200 IM. Natalie Link added 15 points with her first place in the 200 free. Juniors Ava Ruhe and Shelby Keever helped the team by adding 8 points in their individual events and 60 points for three first place relays along with teammates. Haley Damron and Jayden Dechert each scored 11 points. Adding points to the board were Lexi Johnson with 5 points and Riley Them with 3 points.

Ontario girls also took first in the 200 Medley Relay Shelby Keever, Tiffany Whittaker, Amy Evans and Ava Ruhe. 200 Free Relay Brie Trumpower, Shelby Keever, Tiffany Whittaker and Ava Ruhe. 400 Free Relay Brie Trumpower, Amy Evans, Natalie Link and Ava Ruhe.

MOAC records were broken in the girls 200 Medley Relay, 200 Free Relay.

First place All-MOAC swims went to:

Natalie Link, 200 free

Colin Cordrey, 200 free and 100 back

Brienne Trumpower, 50 and 100 free, meet records in both

Will Bolin, 50 free and 100 fly

Amy Evans, 100 fly

Greg Tan, 100 free

Tiffany Whittaker, 500 free and 100 breastroke Alex Matthes, 500 free

Shelby Keever, Whittaker, Evans, Ava Ruhe, 200 medley relay meet record

Cordrey, Evan Trumpower, Dylan Damron, Alex Rose, 200 medley relay

B. Trumpower, Keever, Whittaker, Ruhe, 200 free relay meet record

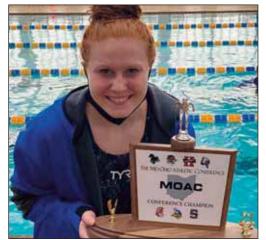
E. Trumpower, Rose, Tan, Bolin, 200 free relay (Continued on Page 8)



ONTARIO BOYS SWIM TEAM members are front, Duncan McClean and Alex Matthes; and back, Dylan Damron, Colin Cordrey, Will Bolin, Gregory Tan, Alex Rose and Evan Trumpower.



ONTARIO GIRLS SWIM TEAM members are front, Natalie Link, Lexi Johnson and Amy Evans; and back, Ava Ruhe, Tiffany Whittaker, Jayden Dechert, Haley Damron, Brie Trumpower, Riley Them, Shelby Keever and Ellie Martinez.





400 Free Relay Champs and new MOAC league record Trumpower, Evans, Link, Ruhe

Ava Ruhe

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



THE ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM held a Senior Night celebration Jan. 20. Ontario wrestling seniors are Nate Hayes-Poole, Brennan Strickler and Carter Kroll.









ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL competed in an indoor track meet in Youngstown. OHS distance runners are Miles Miesse, Owen Vick, Ariah Reuer, Ellie Maurer and Cori Wentz.



ONTARIO'S WILL BOLIN will have a day to remember as he was on the winning team for two relays and also won two individual events. He won the 50 freestyle (23:01), 100 butterfly (59:85) and in the relays 200 freestyle relay (1:36.29) and 400 freestyle (3:36.84). Both the girls and boys were top scorers in the swimming event. Girls: Ontario 177, Shelby 138, Galion 131, River Valley 66, Marion Harding 46 and Pleasant 26. Boys: Ontario 186, Shelby 130, Pleasant 103, Marion Harding 63, Galion 57 and River Valley 30.

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



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TEMPLE CHRISTIAN freshman Mia Smith (23) makes her way to the basket during the Temple Christian Crusaders game against Fredericktown during a varsity game played at Temple. Defending for the Freddies was Gabby Daniels (20). The Crusaders lost to a talented Fredericktown, made up of mostly juniors and seniors, 76–12.



MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN senior Logan Cyphers (11) adds to his total of 19 points during the Flames vs. Kingsway Christian varsity game played in the Furnace. Defending for Kingsway was Zach Zuercher (12). The Flames had little trouble putting away Kingsway Christian 74–42. and were led by senior Logan Cyphers with 19 points which included four three pointers followed by Colin Comstock with 15 points including two threes, Aman Davis with 11 points and Zack Yoho with 9 points including one three.



By Kenn Spencer

Please register as soon as possible. The deadline is quickly approaching for spring soccer and we are seeing a great number of registrations coming in this past week. Feb. 1 is our last day to register without a late fee, so make sure to get those registrations in.

OYS would like to suggest having your soccer athlete try on his/her uniform in the next few days to ensure proper fit for this spring season. Any uniform needs and/or questions can be emailed to info@oysports.com. If you or someone you know is having trouble getting registered, please contact us before Feb. 1.

Warriors: Any softball or baseball player interested in open gym is invited to join. This is an open gym so parents must stay around and hopefully participate. Athletes will be able to practice with a pitching machine and do some light fielding. See OYS Facebook for more information or call our baseball commissioner at 419-610-1091.

Middle school baseball and softball registration is off and running. If you have an athlete that attends Ontario Schools, please consider signing him/her up for this program. The Middle School season starts in March and will end toward the middle of May. The middle school program is a great way for athletes to have tons of fun with their classmates and gain valuable experience on the ball field. Cut off for this registration is Feb. 1.

Recreation baseball and softball registration is going on now. OYS is looking for boys and girls between 4–14 years old. All home games are played at Marshall Park and/or Stowell Park in Ontario.

Tomahawk baseball registration is still going strong at www.oysports.com. OYS tomahawk programs are for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges. Any individual with a physical or intellectual challenge may participate. Please call 419-566-8072 for more information. We are happy to announce that we are bringing back

We are happy to announce that we are bringing back our Community Movie Night on Aug. 8, tentatively. We are asking for the communities help in picking out the movie, please email info@oysports.com with your family's choice for the 2021 Movie Night.

•When registering, do not create an account unless you have not registered in the past – please use your password and login from previous seasons.

Follow us on Facebook. Sign-ups are posted regularly.
Watch the *Tribune-Courier* each week for updates.

•Sign up on WMFD OYS text to your cell where we text sign up information on a regular basis.

•Create an account on www.oysports.com. Once registered, log-in 24/7 and see what sports are available for your athlete.

•Call the sports director at 419-566-8072.



MOAC Senior Girls Link, Johnson, Evans



MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SENIOR Derric Taylor, due to an injury, was only able to play for a short time in the MCS Flames vs. Kingsway Chistian of Orrville at MCS on Jan. 23. Derric puts up a shot that found the net for three points. After scoring, Derric went to the bench to cheer fellow teammates on. The MCS Flames won 75–42.

•Teams sweep championship

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B. Trumpower, Evans, Link, Ruhe, 400 free relay meet record Bolin, Damron, Cordrey, Tan, 400 free relay

Second place All- MOAC went to:

Shelby Keever, 100 back

Amy Evans, 200 IM

Evan Trumpower, 200 IM and 100 breastroke Greg Tan, 50 free

Honorable Mention went to:

Dylan Damron, 100 fly

Alex Rose, 100 free and back

The Warriors host a 12 team Invitational this Saturday, Jan. 30 at 10 am.



200 Medley Relay Champs • New MOAC league record Whittaker, Evans, Keever, Ruhe



200 Free Relay Champs • New MOAC league record Whittaker, Keever, Ruhe, Trumpower

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court from the allegations of the Petition in this cause and the affidavit of the Petitioner that the whereabouts of the Respondent are unknown and that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon MICHAEL CHAR-VAT, it is, therefore, ordered that Respondent be served by publication of the following notice for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Tribune-Courier, a newspaper published in the Ohio county of Richland, and the Des Moines Register, a newspaper published in the lowa county of Polk.

MICHAEL CHARVAT The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a Petition for Temporary Legal Custody and Ex Parte Order against you regarding the children, Lillian C. and Keith C., removing the children and alleging that you have abandoned the children and that the children are and/or were dependent and neglected in your care and custody. It appears that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are, therefore. ordered to respond by filing an Answer to the Petition filed Answer to the Petition filed against you. A copy of the Petition may be obtained at the office of the County Clerk, Juvenile Court of Hamblen County, Tennessee, at 511 West 2nd North Street, Morristown, Tennessee 37814. This notice will be published for four consecutive weeks. The last date of publication will be last date of publication will be February 4, 2021, and February 4, 2021, and February 4, 2021, respectively. Your Answer must be filed with-in thirty (30) days after that. If no Answer is filed, a Default Judgment will be taken against you on April 28, 2021, and a hearing will be set without fur-ther notice to you.

Enter this the 16th Day of December 2020.

Honorable Janice H. Snider Juvenile Court Judge

PREPARED FOR ENTRY: Chris Lawson, BPR # 035222 Assistant General Counsel Department of Children's Services 613 W. Highway 11-E, Suite 1 New Market, TN 37820 (865) 606-1629 1-14, 21, 28 2-4, '21 (79L)

LEGAL NOTICE Lin Frary Clerk of Richland County Common Pleas Court Division of Domestic Relations Mansfield, Ohio 44902

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION Nicole Mills, Defendant, whose last known address was 806 Wedgewood Drive, Apt. 3, Columbus, Ohio, and whose present address cannot be ascertained, will take notice that William L. Mills, Plaintiff, has filed Case No. 2020-DIV-0641 against her in the Richland County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Division for Divorce. Defendant is required to answer said Complaint within twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication. Answer date will be March 18, 2021.

> Jeffrey A. Underwood (ID No. 0066514) 362 Lexington Avenue Mansfield, Ohio 44907 Attorney for Plaintiff 1-14, 21, 28 2-4, 11, 18, '21 (26L)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SELL UNNEEDED, OBSOLETE OR UNFIT MUNICIPAL PERSONAL PROPERTY BY INTERNET SALE/AUCTION DURING

DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2021 Notice is hereby given that the City of Ontario intends to sell unneeded, obsolete or unfit municipal personal property by internet sale/auction during 2021. All sales shall be for cash, shipping or delivery shall be the responsibility of the purchaser, and the sales shall be made through websites as determined to be most

effective and efficient in obtaining the best price. The representative of the City for the purpose of internet sales is:

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> Jeff Wilson Service-Safety Director City of Ontario, Ohio 1-14, 28 '21 (33L)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before Council of the City of Ontario, during the Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 North Stumbo Road, upon a proposal to amend Section 1137.05 Business District (b) (1) Permitted Uses and (c) Conditional Uses, and Section 913.09 Road Impact Fee Schedule.

All persons interested in these issues are invited to attend and express their views. Cathy VanAuker Clerk of Council

City of Ontario, Ohio 1-28 '21 (21L)



Kim Knudson, HNCO QAPI Manager



AS VALENTINE'S DAY approaches the Tribune invites our readers to send photos of their decorations, crafts and treats. Send to news@tribune-courier.com.

Hospice receives grant

The New London Rotary's Area United Fund has approved a grant in the amount of \$900 to fund the purchase of a chest manikin which will be used to train Hospice of North Central Ohio's (HNCO's) front line nurses on chest ports and subclavian ports.

The grant is made possible through the efforts of the 2020–'21 NLRAUF campaign. The mission of the fund is to "Support New London area through education, community involvement, service and outreach to those in need."

As the area's oldest and largest non-profit hospice organization, Hospice of North Central Ohio has served thousands of families with end-of-life and Palliative care, bereavement programs and services since 1988.

Headquartered at 1021 Dauch Dr., in Ashland, Hospice of North Central Ohio serves more than 200 patients daily in Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Morrow and Richland counties who are living with chronic and terminal illnesses. Additionally, free continuous bereavement services are provided for hundreds of families of hospice patients and to anyone in the community experiencing grief.

Call 800-952-2207 for more information. HNCO is a 501c3 non-profit organization with over 37 years of experience and a community partner of United Way of Ashland and Knox County.

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MIDDLE **ONTARIO** School seventh grade students reviewed Klondike gold rush terms associated with the informational texts they have been studying in literature. Students worked in pairs, completing a Klon-dike Gold Rush Diction crossword. OMS students working together are (top photo) Brinlee Kreger and Alex Porter and (bottom photo) Phoebe Platner and Morgan Pearson.

Honor and Merit Rolls

St. Peter's Parish & **School**

Second grading period

St. Peter's School released this week the names of the students who achieved honor roll status for the second quarter of the 2020-21 school year. Students with an asterisk after their name achieved straight "As. Students who achieved a 4.0-grade point average are also noted in the list. Overall, 59% of St. Peter's School students in Grades 5-12 achieved academic honors.

Seniors — First Honors: Cecelia Baldasare* Caden Brubaker* (4.0), Cara Brubaker* (4.0), Charles Couch* (4.0), Donavon Duncan, Katherine Elliott, Grant Farragher* (4.0), Gavin Foltz*, Albree Grose*, Kennedy Hatfield, Isabella Kern* (4.0), Mackenzie Montanez, Zachary Newton, Alayna Rickly, Julia Rizzo, Celeigh Roberts, Teaira Ross, Katherine Schonhardt, Izabella Smith, Emily Tanchevski* and Audrey VanDyne Second Honors: Emilee Bodnar, Molly

Vitcusky and Madalynn Yeager.

Juniors - First Honors: Madison Bays* (4.0), Lamaiya Boswell

Jacob Culp, Makayla Hall*, John Harris, Elijah Jensen, Zachary Keffalas, Ahmani Mitchell, Alana Mitchell, Kendall Nolen* (4.0), Bryan Phillips, Danielle Powell^{*}, Ross Pruettmiller, Corey Schenkelberg, Isaac Stampfli, Malaki Stanfield, Natalie Tanchevski*, Nakyrah Williams and Kellen Young* (4.0) Second Honors: Elizabeth Dauterman, Emma

Fesler, Alexander Garcia, Charles Schonhardt and James Williams

Sophomores — First Honors: Adrian Allen* (4.0), Erin Belmer, Payton Bodnar, Gianni

Bonham, Mahala Boothe, Alyssa Carroll* (4.0), Audrey Couch* (4.0), Griffin Cruthchfield, Grace Dix* (4.0), My'kia Letlow* (4.0), Kiersten Pitcher, Sean Putt, Logan Rhodes, Elijah Selser* (4.0), Natalie VanDyne, Andrew Wendt and Dominic Wendt Second Honors: MaKenna Coontz, Terrie Feagin, Angelo Gasper, Kanija Green, Mik'a Letlow, Makenzie Hardin, Paige Richardson and Kiyah Wentz

Freshmen — First Honors: Camryn Beauford, (4.0), James Jerger, Tamera Lindsay, Analina McCabe* (4.0), Zora Mills* (4.0), Josephine Reef* (4.0), Gisele Ward* (4.0) and Trinity Withrow-Gremling* (4.0)

Second Honors: Elijah Evage and Shariya Owens

Eigth Grade — First Honors: Magnolia Chamberlin* (4.0), Callina Francis* (4.0), Blade Hedrick*, Sania Jefferson, Joshua Laux* (4.0), Madison Osborne*, Nicholas Osborne, Sydney Phillips, Sydney Rizzo* (4.0) and Kelly Wolboldt (4.0) and Kelly Wolboldt

Second Honors: Rayden Baltazar, Kaylee Bond, Lilian Colarosa, Carter Fesler and Lamy'yah Lindsay

Seventh Grade - First Honors: Tiffany Clemons, Conner Fournier^{*} (4.0) and Olivia Laux

Second Honors: Brooklyn Jackson, Braylon Patterson, Heaven Taylor and Chelsea Williams

Sixth Grade — First Honors: Meredith Rizzo*, Abigail Farragher, Kendyll Renz and Callahan Cavanaugh

Second Honors: Madelyn Yoha, Brayden Madden and Ta'Neyah Hammock

Fifth Grade— First Honors: Madeline Levron* Remington Hedrick, David Crundwell and Dominic Stoner

Second Honors: Quinn Chamberlin and Andrew Meade

Pioneer launches sophomore virtual tour experience

Covid-19 has caused many challenges in the past year. Specifically for private schools and schools of choice, a new obstacle is on the horizon: How do schools that don't have a guaranteed enrollment find ways to reach prospective students and families?

Pioneer Career and Technology Center found itself asking these same questions in October when it began thinking about the 2021–'22 school year. As with every-thing else, it will be done a little differently this year with a creative approach that turns obstacles into opportunities.

Traditionally during the month of January sophomore students from 14 partner schools visit Pioneer and learn what program most excites them and relates to their career goals. However, to avoid the potential spread of Covid-19, Pioneer decided to take a new approach to the visitation experience.

Thanks to hard work of the staff and students Pioneer is excited to be unveiling its brand new Virtual Visitation Experience to each of its local partner schools at the start of next week.

This year during sophomore visits, a Pioneer Ambassador will meet with students at the partner schools and will assist them as they visit four Career-Technical Labs of their choosing virtually. During that time every sophomore student will have the opportunity to "walk the halls" of Pioneer and interact with over 35 Career Technical lab programs.

Additional lab visits may be done at home with their parents as well as the 360° virtual tour of the entire Pioneer building. These tours are available anytime, 24/7, on Pioneer's website. Students can

also apply anytime on the new simplified application by visiting Pioneer's website www.go2pioneer.com.

Pioneer Ambassadors will be working with students from Ashland, Buckeye Central, Bucyrus, Colonel Crawford, Crestline, Crestview, Galion, Lexington, Lucas, Northmor, Ontario, Plymouth, Shelby, Willard, Wynford, and any other school that would like to discuss the opportunities available at Pioneer from Jan. 19-Feb. 25. During sophomore visits, a Pioneer Ambassador will inform sophomores that students at Pioneer Career and Technology Center participate in clubs, activities and sports at their current school, as well as participating in activities and clubs at Pioneer that include Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), Student Council, National Technical Honor Society, Business Professionals of America (BPA), FFA, SkillsUSA and more. Additionally ambassadors will also assist sophomores and answer questions as sophomores virtually explore Pioneer.

Pioneer Career and Technology Center has been providing quality career-technical education to high school juniors and seniors for over 50 years. By being able to adapt and offer such an impressive Virtual Visitation Experience it is clear that they will continue to be an asset to the greater area for the next 50 years.

Visit Pioneer's website at www.go2pioneer.com to complete the experience yourself or call Pioneer at 419-347-7744 to learn more about Pioneer.

The link to the Virtual Career Tech lab and Pioneer building tours is found at https://www.pctc.k12.oh.us/your-futurestarts-at-pioneer.

News Briefs in Education

Miami University awarded degrees to students during virtual fall commencement on Dec. 11, 2020

Gabriel Porter of Lexington graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in English: Creative Writing

Jacob Strickler of Lexington graduated Cum Laude, University Honorswith a BA Interactive Media Studies degree, majoring in Interactive Media Studies

Joshua Hassmann of Mansfield has been named to the fall 2020 quarter dean''s list at Palmer College of Chiropractic's Florida campus in Port Orange.

Central Ohio Technical College (COTC) released the president's honors list and the dean's honors list for autumn semester 2020 to recognize students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement.

To qualify for the president's list, students must earn a grade point average of 4.0 and have completed six or more credit hours (excluding satisfactory/unsatisfactory courses) in a semester. On this list is MacKenzie Martin of Bellville.

To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and have completed six or more credit hours (excluding satisfactory/unsat-

isfactory courses) in a semester. On this list are Bridget Mickley of Bellville and Trinity Turner of Mansfield.

Heidelberg University has announced the names of 422 students who have earned academic recognition on the fall semester dean's list. Included on the list are Jalen Trammell, sophomore, business administration; and Allison Wiggins, junior, music, both of Ontario.





ONTARIO FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS from Tonya Winningham's room tried headcheese. They learned about how headcheese is made from reading a book called *Little House in the Big Woods* by Laura Ingalls Wilder. Students had mixed reviews, but most said it was okay and tasted a lot like ham. (Masks were off only when distanced and eating the headcheese.) Students are (left photo) Zoey Shaffer and (right photo) Penny Wilging.



THESE PHOTOS of hay bale art were taken on St. Rt. 97 and Dill Rd., Bellville. The Clear Fork FFA made the creations.



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TRUCKIN' TRAV (Travis Moore) celebrated his new food truck with a ribbon cutting. Moore lost his first truck in a fire this past September on Rt. 30. With insurance funds, he purchased a new truck and painted it himself. He opened his first food truck in August of 2018. The truck is open year-round. Truckin' Trav can be found every Friday night at the Phoenix Brewing Company and at some Auto Zones throughout the week. At the ribbon cutting were Jodi Perry of the Chamber of Commerce, Travis Moore, Phil Scott (acting Mansfield mayor) and Mansfield Safety Service Director Lori Cope.



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BEFORE THE MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL game against Kingsway, five seniors were honored: Colin Comstock, Logan Cyphers, Jace Craner, Zack Yoho and Derric Taylor.

Theaker to lead Pioneer board in 2021

The Pioneer Career and Technology Center Board of Education met Jan. 13 for an organizational meeting.

The Oath of Office was administered to reappointed members Mary Jean Theaker and John Kime. Douglas Theaker was elected as board president for 2021 and Richard Prater was elected as vice president.

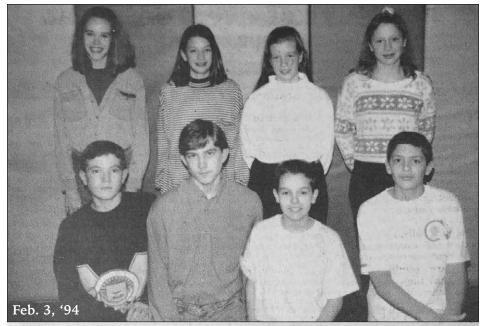
Mike Grady was appointed as the legislative liaison for 2021 and Mary Jean Theaker as the student achievement liaison. Bill Hope, Margie Prater and Douglas Theaker were appointed to the finance audit committee.

The Board of Education established the date and time of the regular board meetings as the third Monday of the month, 7 pm in the Community Room located in the Glenna R. Cannon Administrative Center at Pioneer.

The Pioneer Board of Education consists of representatives named from Mid-Ohio Educational Service Center (6), Bucyrus City Schools (1), Willard City Schools (1), Galion City Schools (1), Shelby City Schools (1) and Crestline Exempted Village School District (1).

Pioneer Career and Technology Center has been providing career-technical education to high school juniors and seniors for over 50 years. It serves over 1,100 students enrolled in over 35 Career Tech Programs and representing 14 partner schools and offers adult education programs. Visit www.PioneerCTC.edu for information.

LOOKING BACK: This Week in Tribune-Courier History



THESE ONTARIO STUDENTS took part in the recent Geography Bee sponsored by the National Geographic Society. The students are, front, Brian Haubiel, Marc Caporini, Heath Ashley and Kevin DeVore; back, Angie Moore, Melanie Motley, Rebecca Piatt and Trisha Ohl.

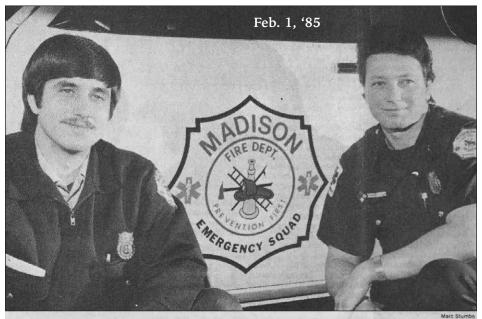
OMS students participate in geography bee

Students in Betty DeVore's cepts and facts. seventh grade geography classes at Ontario Middle School recently participated in individual class winners and an the annual Geography Bee. Sponsored by the National Geographic Society, the bee tests the students' knowledge of various geographical con-

Seven rounds of oral ques-tions were asked to determine up, Marc Caporini and Angie

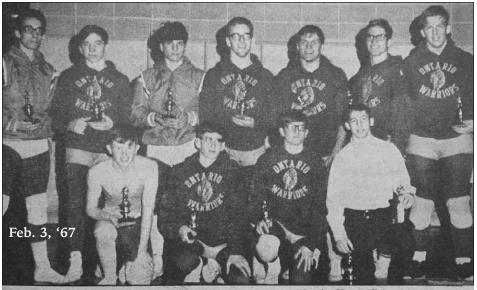
Moore, respectively, each re-ceived a map and inflatable globe from the National Geographic Society. In addition, Marc also took a

written test to determine his eligibility for state level Geography Bee competition in

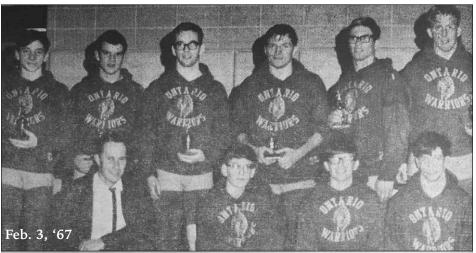


PARAMEDIC GRADUATES — Madison Township Fire Department now has another emergency service to offer area residents — emergency paramedics. Rick Evans (right) and John Pate, both from the Madison Fire Department, were recently graduated from the paramedic school at Canton's Aultman Hospital. The additional service to the de-partment includes "Medic 71" a new 1984 Chevy Blazer. All medical equipment needed to handle an emergency is carried in the vehicle. All of the equipment is portable, so easy transfer can be made to another fire department ve-hicle if necessary. Madison has the first fire department paramedic operation in Richland County.

January 28, 1986 — At 11:38 am EST the space shuttle Challenger lifts off from Cape Canaveral, FL, and Christa McAuliffe was on her way to becoming the first ordinary U.S. civilian to travel into space. McAuliffe, a 37-year-old high school social studies teacher from New Hampshire, won a competition that earned her a place among the seven-member crew of the Challenger. She underwent months of shuttle training but then, beginning Jan. 23, was forced to wait six days as the Challenger's launch countdown was repeatedly delayed because of weather and technical problems. On Jan. 28, the shuttle lifted off. Seventy-three seconds later, hundreds on the ground, stared in disbelief as the shuttle broke up in a forking plume of smoke and fire. Millions more watched the tragedy unfold on live television. There were no survivors.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS — Kneeling, left to right: Larry Hoerig (Hopewell-Louden), Bill Row-ley (Ontario), Bill Fix (Ontario) and Rick Corthe II (Tiffin Calvert). Standing: Pete Bertolotti (Crestline), Tom Magistro (Ontario), Dave Salvati (Crestline), Don Suter (Ontario), Bill Schmidt (Ontario), Mike Heuberger (Ontario) and Art Tobergte (On tario). — Photo by Nick Polles



ONTARIO INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM — Kneeling, Left to right: Coach Bill Brown Bill Rowley, Bill Fix and Jim Cain. Standing: Tom Maigistro, Mark Hartzler, Don Suter, Bill Schmidt, Mike Heuberger and Art Tobergte. - Photo by Nick Polles



Second Place Finishers in the Ontario Invitational are kneeling, left to right: Bob Davis (Crest-line), Jon Korejwa (Crestline), Dennis Engard (Crestline), and Jim Cain (Ontario. Standing: Wayne Bertolotti (Crestline), Junior Brendle (Hopewell-Louden), Mark Hartzler (Ontario), and Don Laver Photo by Nick Polles