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**PARTICIPANTS** attend the Step Into Spring event at Richland Mall in Ontario March 18.

## March celebrated as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Photos and Article By Traci Little

Richland Newhope held its third annual Step Into Spring walking event held at the Richland Mall on Friday, March 18. Registration began at 10 am where guests and participants had the opportunity to visit various vender tables.

This free event was sponsored by Richland County Child Services, Richland Mall, Richland Public Health, and the YMCA of North Central Ohio. This fun walk was a way to wrap up Development Disabilities Awareness Month and to promote community inclusion.

Troy Smith, manager of Community Education and Special Projects at Richland Newhope, welcomed the many guests. Ontario Mayor Randy Hutchinson visited with guests during the event.

Participants were gifted a beautiful and sunny day and it was great to see such a positive turnout after the last couple of socially distanced years. People were appreciative to get some normalcy back and the sea of smiling faces showed it.

I had the opportunity to talk with one mother, Brittany Tolley. She's a mom of two boys, ages three and two. Her three-year-old son's name is Nicholas, and he has Down Syndrome. Nicholas is a curious little boy who loves Reese's peanut butter cups. He also enjoys playing with cars, trucks and dinosaurs.

Nicholas attends preschool at the OHCAC Barbara Haxton Early Childhood Development Center in Mansfield. He receives speech, physical and occupational therapy. He struggles the most with speech as he has developmental dysphasia. Speech has been the biggest hurdle for mom to navigate with Nicholas, as dysphasia causes a person to struggle putting the right words together in a sentence, and understanding what others are trying to communicate.

Speech therapists, teachers and aids at the preschool help a lot with trying to help Nicholas grow and develop in this area. Nicholas loves to learn, count, and be taught. A person with dysphasia can be temperamental. Knowing what you want to say but not being able to communicate it properly can be extremely frustrating. He has some sensory processing challenges when it comes to overcrowded places, too many sounds, fabrics textures, and aversions to certain foods.

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## Richland Area Chamber to host 15th Annual Business Expo

The Richland Area Chamber invites the public to attend its 15th Annual Business Expo on Thursday, March 24, from 10 am to 4 pm at the Richland County Fairgrounds. 100 local businesses and non-profit organizations will be exhibiting.

A special ribbon cutting with local officials will be held at 9:45 am to open the event.

This year the event will have a "Get in the Game" theme. Admission and parking is free, and the Business Expo is open to the general public. Individual booths will be offering prizes, samples and giveaways.

The Chamber will also be holding prize drawings. A canned food drive is also being held and every attendee who brings a can will receive an entry into a special prize drawing.

"The expo is a great opportunity for the public to interact

with local businesses, which is needed now more than ever. The sports theme is going to be incredibly exciting and we have some surprises in the works", says Chamber Program & Events Manager, Lisa Duckworth.

She adds "We encourage the public to stop by, even if it's on a lunch break - there will be something for everyone."

Only a few booths remain. Interested businesses can contact Lisa Duckworth at 419-522-3211.

Over thirty local businesses are sponsoring the Expo including Adena Corporation, Black Belt Pro Fitness, Hamilton Insurance Group, and Spitzer Motors of Mansfield. A complete list of sponsors, a p

rise entry ticket, and other important information can be found at [www.RichlandArea-Chamber.com](http://www.RichlandArea-Chamber.com)

*(See ad on page 7)*

## Nominations being accepted for awards honoring senior citizens

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. is now accepting nominations for the Outstanding Senior Citizen and Community Service Awards. The deadline for nominations is May 20.

Award recipients from a nine-county area (one awardee from each county) will be honored by the Area Agency on Aging.

Nominees must be at least 60 years of age, a legal resident of Ohio for at least five years, and have made significant contributions to the community.

A husband and wife may receive the award jointly when both have been involved in community service.

One Outstanding Senior Citizen

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

Community Service Awards are targeted toward an organization, agency, service club, a media outlet or a business that has made an outstanding contribution to the community on behalf of senior citizens. One award will be presented for the nine-county area.

Additional information, including nomination forms, can be found at [www.aaa5ohio.org/events/awards/](http://www.aaa5ohio.org/events/awards/) or by contacting Susie at 567-247-7105 or [sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org](mailto:sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org).

Nominations can be mailed, faxed or emailed.

## Ontario Lions to host pancake breakfast

The Ontario Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 2, from 6:30 am to noon at Ontario High School.

Tickets are \$6 each and kids 6 and under eat free.

Door prizes will be donated by local businesses and winners do not need to be present to win.

Contact an Ontario Lions Club member for advance tickets. Walk-ins are welcome. *(See ad on page 6)*



**BAR ROOM** photographs are rather rare to find. Shown is one of Mansfield's typical watering holes.

## Where To Find The Booze In 1883

By Bob Carter

The Temperance movement supporters were creating havoc in the late 1800s. In an effort to hurt or possibly drive the saloon and elbow benders out of business, a heavy tax was placed on every saloon in Richland County. It was either pay up or close your doors.

Like business today, they must pay up, and then raise prices on their goods or services. Radio commentator, the late Paul Harvey, used to preach, "Business and companies don't pay taxes, only people pay taxes!"

On July 12, 1883, the *Mansfield Herald* published a list of the 71 saloon keepers and dealers in Richland County who had paid their assessments to the county treasurer. Mansfield had 47 with two more still to visit the court house. Shelby didn't go thirsty as they had 11. Sharon and Lexington had to scrape by with only one saloon each while Butler, Shiloh and Lucas enjoyed the services of two bar rooms each.

But then tiny Ontario and Springfield Township had none. Many patrons were very creative and found a possible excuse for thirst and visited the bars possibly just to ward off "a snake bite, sore foot, bad cold" or whatever. One could always find an excuse of some kind.

Many men braved the verbal blast when they got home. At one time Mansfield had two special saloons. One was called "The Bank," the other was "The Office." The excuse — I had to stop at the office or stop by the bank.

After a hard work day, the local tavern was the place for many to go. The Temperance people, mostly piercing eyed women, sometimes stood outside these "hell holes" and wrote down the names of who went in.

A law passed in Lexington required all patrons to enter only by the front door — no sneaking in the back door. No curtains or blinds were allowed to cover the windows. Anybody could look in. Sometimes someone was out there watching and waiting until some known person came home.

The many elbow benders were being watched! And with good reason. The excessive use of the liquor and beer had ruined many homes and jobs. However new tax did little to prevent this.



## THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER

— By Ian Stumbo —

The Japanese film *Drive My Car* won a bunch of critics groups awards best picture prizes and now has Oscar nominations for directing, screenplay, international feature and, the big prize, best picture. Director Ryusuke Hamaguchi directs this fine film about loss, relationships and comebacks.

Yusuke is a popular stage actor who is married to wife Oto who is a popular writer. Yusuke is leading a good life as an actor; however, one day he comes home to a terrible occurrence.

Fast forward to two years later, he is asked to direct a multilingual production of a popular play. He is assigned a driver who turns out to be a young woman with whom he starts a friendship as they share stories of their lives.

*Drive My Car* is a good film though at a three hour runtime there was quite a bit in the middle that was just a bunch of conversations that didn't seem to

advance the plot. The lead actor, Hidetoshi Nishijima, is terrific in the lead role and really plays this lead role of a man experiencing many emotions during a trying time.

His friendship with his driver is a highlight of the film though the many audition scenes for the play in different languages is interesting but not captivating. The first hour and last are the films best and overall I would recommend the film because there is quite a bit in the



movie to engage with. Though I would not give it all the best picture prizes it has received. *Drive My Car* is a fine film with some thought provoking moments, characters and good plot, though at three hours it takes its time to get it right and that does not always work.



## Richland County Farm Bureau breakfast will be held Saturday

Richland County Farm Bureau invites the community to attend the annual Richland County Farm Bureau Farmers Share Breakfast which will be served in the Shelby High School Cafeteria from 7-10:30 am on Saturday, March 26.

The bureau is requesting a donation for the breakfast which includes pancakes, fresh whole hog sausage, local eggs, orange juice, milk and coffee. No reservations are needed.

The money collected at the breakfast is given to food pantries in Richland County.

In honor of the FFA Chapters who help, the bureau has donated nearly \$17,000 to area food banks and the Harmony House in the past 13 years.

"Farmers remain committed to producing safe and healthy food for our communities and we share with consumers many of the same concerns about putting nutritious meals on the table on a tight budget," said Loren Hulit, Richland County Farm Bureau President.

"By inviting our community to our Farmers Share Breakfast, we hope to connect with them and provide a better understanding of the origins of the food on their plates."

To learn more visit [richland.ofbf.org](http://richland.ofbf.org) or "like" the Richland County Farm Bureau on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/RichlandCountyFarmBureau](http://www.facebook.com/RichlandCountyFarmBureau).

Shelby High School is located at 1 Whippet Way, Shelby.

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# News Briefs

The Bellville Lions Club will host a spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 26, from 4:30-6:30 pm at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 84 Church St., Bellville.

The dinner includes salad, bread and dessert. Cost is \$10 in advance or \$12 at the door.

The dinner is the Bellville Lions Club's Annual Fundraiser which supports the Honor Flight Network and The Honor Bus programs that provide veterans an all-expense excursion to Washington D.C.

The trip honors and recognizes their service to our country, and includes visits to the veteran memorials that highlight the sacrifices and triumphs of those who served, past and present.

For information call Carolyn Brook at 419-571-4630.

The next Mansfield Area Community Hymnsing will be held Friday, April 1, at New Liberty Baptist Church, Lexington Ave., half mile south of Hanley Rd., at 7 pm.

Hymnals are passed out and the congregation calls out the song numbers to allow participants to sing them together.

This Hymnsing is featuring Easter hymns. This is a free event, all are welcome.

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at Der Dutchman Restaurant.

Lunch begins at 11:30 am, followed by the meeting at 12:30 pm. Cost is \$13 for the meal.

Each month there are speakers and entertainment and members take several trips throughout the year. Dues are \$5 per year. Guests are welcome to attend.

On April 20, the meal will be turkey and those attending are encouraged to bring non-perishable items for the Salvation Army. A representative from Kingwood Gardens will speak.

The group will meet Wednesday, April 6, at 11:30 am, for lunch at Chinatown, 238 Ashland Rd., Madison area.

For more information call Darlene Lee at 419-886-4711.

Trinity United Methodist Church, 1592 Grace St., Madison area, will host Holy Week Services on Palm Sunday, April 10, 9:30 am; Holy Thursday service (with communion) April 14, 7

pm; Easter Sunrise service April 17, 7:30 am (followed by breakfast); and Easter Sunday, April 17, 9:30 am.

The church will host the Madison Community Easter Egg Hunt on April 9 beginning at 3 pm. All children ages up through sixth grade are invited.

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd. (corner of Trimble and Millsboro) will host a church rummage sale Friday, April 8, from 9 am to 4 pm and Saturday, April 9, from 9 am to noon.

There will be clothing, toys, housewares, and more. Items are priced to sell. Proceeds are used for local missions. For information call 419-756-7066.

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, March 26 and 27. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

The Ontario 4th of July Festival will be held Saturday, July 2 (rain date July 3), noon to 11 pm. The festival will be moved to Marshall Park, in the area of the baseball/softball complex.

The fireworks are being sponsored by the Niss Family.

The Ontario Lions Club will host its 2nd annual Easter Egg Hunt for visually impaired children on Saturday, April 9, from 1-2 pm.

The hunt will be held at the Marshall Park basketball court (entrance on Rock Rd.) RSVP by April 4 by texting or calling 419-709-1576. Each child will be assigned a Lion's member.

The 50th Class Reunion for the Madison High School Class of 1972 will be held Saturday, Sept. 17 at Westbrook Country Club, 1098 Springmill St., Mansfield.

Happy Hour with a cash bar will be held from 5-6 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. Dinner includes soft drinks, tea, coffee and dessert. Cost is \$50 per person and must be paid in advance

no later than Aug. 1.

The reunion will include a tour of the new middle school at 10 am the morning of the reunion.

For information contact Mike Bailey at 419-565-2777 or by email at MbaileyW8HB@gmail.com. RSVP by sending reservation and fee to Madison Class of 1972, 1155 Briarwood Rd., Mansfield, OH 44907.

The Mid-Ohio Civic Opera will perform "Trouble in Tahiti and Gianni Schicchi" May 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 8 pm and May 29 at 2:30 pm at the Mansfield Playhouse.

Pianist Sophia Pavlenko Chandley is a Kyiv, Ukraine native. Mid-Ohio Civic Opera will donate its share of the ticket revenue from one-acts opening night, May 20, to the Ukrainian relief organization of her choice. Her family is still in the capitol city. Her mother runs the nation-

al opera in Kyiv.

Tickets are \$8-\$13 at [www.mansfieldplayhouse.com](http://www.mansfieldplayhouse.com).

Crestview Schools will host a Father Daughter Dance on Saturday, April 2, from 6-8 pm at Faith United Methodist Church, 1574 OH-96, Ashland.

The event is open to all schools and includes an evening of dress-up, music, dancing and light refreshments. The dance is designed for students preschool to eighth grade.

Pre-sale tickets are \$25 per father/daughter duo, plus \$2 per additional daughter (maximum of \$30 per family).

Cost at the door is \$35 (\$40 max per family). Email [crestviewparentsclub1@gmail.com](mailto:crestviewparentsclub1@gmail.com) for more information.

To submit a news brief item, photo and caption or birthday, send an email with information to [news@tribune-courier.com](mailto:news@tribune-courier.com)

## March of Prayer continues

The March of Prayer returns for the fourth year, offering a prayer service every night in March, each night hosted in a different local church. The 30 congregations represent more than two dozen denominations, each hosting a 6 pm service in its authentic style.

Under the theme that "Mansfield is Godsfield," and "Richland is God's Land," each hosting congregation will pick its own format and topics of prayer, selections of music and opportunities for participation. Plans are for services to be livestreamed on the Godsfield Facebook page, and through congregational sites. The streaming is being coordinated by Mark Pierce, pastor at Church Requel.

Services begin at 6 pm and will continue up to two hours.

Wednesday, March 23, St. Peters Catholic, 60 S. Mulberry  
Thursday, March 24, Mansfield Foursquare Gospel, 383 Davidson  
Friday, March 25, Biblewalk Museum, 500 Tingley Rd.

Saturday, March 26, Paradise Hill, 87 Illinois Ave. N.

Sunday, March 27, Potter's House, 374 Willowood Dr. East.

Monday, March 28, Fusion at East Hills, 2170 OH 430 E

Tuesday, March 29, Linden Road Presbyterian, 160 S. Linden Rd.

Wednesday, March 30, First Christian, 200 W. Third St.

Thursday, March 31, First English Lutheran, 53 PAW

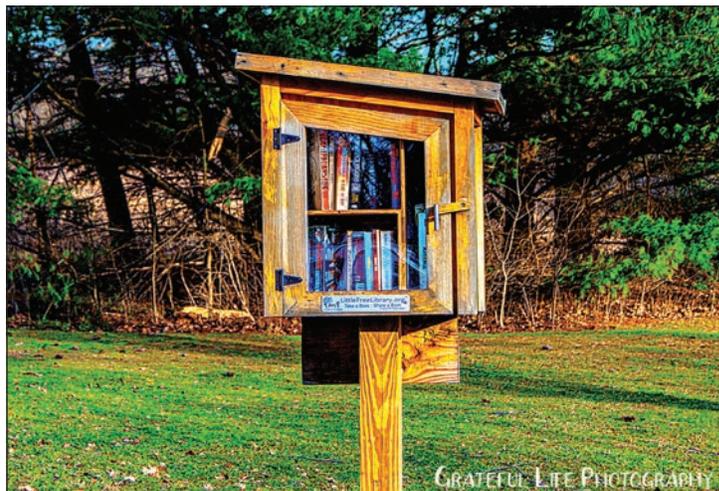


Photo by Brandon Chambers

## Gibbs announces art competition

Congressman Bob Gibbs announced the 2022 Congressional Art Competition for high school students residing in or attending a school in the Seventh Congressional District. The Art Competition is an opportunity to recognize the artistic talents of students and to celebrate the value the arts bring to children's education.

"Every year, I enjoy reviewing the submissions for the Art Competition," said Congressman Gibbs. "I am always impressed by the talent and creativity of each participant. The creative arts are an important component in the foundation of a well-rounded education. The artistic process helps exercise and hone parts of the mind that physical education and the sciences may not."

Guidelines for the competition are:

- Artwork entered in the contest may be up to 26 inches x

26 inches (including the frame) and may be up to 4 inches in depth. All entries must be original in concept and design.

- The artwork may be paintings (oils, acrylics, watercolors), drawings (pastels, colored pencils, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers), collages, print lithographs, silkscreen and block prints, mixed, computer-generated art, or photography.

Additional information can be found at <https://gibbs.house.gov/services/art-competition>.

Entries will be accepted until April 22 at 4 pm, and can be delivered to any of the approved drop-off locations: Massillon Museum of Art, 121 Lincoln Way E., Massillon; North Ridgeville Public Library, 35700 Bainbridge R., North Ridgeville; Office of Congressman Bob Gibbs, 110 Cottage St., Ashland; and Public Library of Mount and Knox County, 201 N. Mulberry St., Mount Vernon

## Jordon Baker will give live performance at Richland Academy

A special event will be hosted at Richland Academy of the Arts on Saturday, March 26. "Body & Spirit, An Evening with Jordon Baker," is a live performance event where Jordon Baker will unveil his new album, *Body & Spirit*.

Attendees at this event will have the opportunity to hear never-before performed songs, listen to stories from Jordon's life, and be inspired by a full-band performance experience.

"I released *Body & Spirit* in Feb. of 2021," said Jordon Baker. "Since then, it's been a dream of mine to share these songs in a live setting. We patiently waited for the right doors to open and know that Richland Academy is the perfect place to share these songs with the community!"

This event is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 6:30 pm with music beginning at 7 pm. Donations will be accepted at the door. Merchandise will also be available for purchase.

For more information on things happening at Richland Academy, call 419-522-8224 or visit [www.richlandacademy.com](http://www.richlandacademy.com). Richland Academy is located at the corner of 4th and Walnut St., Mansfield.

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Rev. Mike Stine, Associate Pastor  
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship  
Wednesday evenings: 6 pm Prayer Meeting  
6:30 pm TeamKID and Youth Group

### 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>

### Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 Church St. West, Lexington  
419-884-1330  
Rev. James Randas  
10:30 am Sunday Worship  
<https://www.facebook.com/Lexington-Presbyterian-Church-117768414915815>

### McElroy Road Church of Christ

297 N. McElroy Rd., Mansfield (Madison area)  
419-589-2661 • [mcelroyroad.org](http://mcelroyroad.org)  
Minister Dean Jackson  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:30 am Sunday Worship  
6 pm Sunday Night • 7 pm Wednesday  
[www.facebook.com/mrccgrace](http://www.facebook.com/mrccgrace)

### Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario  
419-529-5684 • [ontariochristian.org](http://ontariochristian.org)  
Minister Steve Broughton  
9 am Sunday School  
10 am Sunday Worship

### Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario  
419-529-4345 • [www.ontarioumc.com](http://www.ontarioumc.com)  
Rev. Christine Bell  
10:15 am Sunday Worship  
Bible Study: Check website for schedule

### Ridgeway Church of God

1380 Park Avenue East, Mansfield  
419-589-5385 • [www.ridgewaycog.cggc.org/](http://www.ridgewaycog.cggc.org/)  
Pastor John Dodds  
Associate Pastor Billy Saunders  
9:30 am Sunday School  
6 pm Sunday Family Events  
10:40 am Sunday Worship with live stream at [www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog](http://www.facebook.com/ridgewaycog)  
2 pm Wednesday Bible Study  
9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday



### G & M Body & Paint Shop

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

### Risen Savior Lutheran Church

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield  
419-775-1175 • [risensaviormansfield.com](http://risensaviormansfield.com)  
Pastor Brad Wright  
9 am Sunday Family Bible Time  
10 am Sunday Worship

### St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison) 419-589-2114 • [www.mansfieldstmarys.org](http://www.mansfieldstmarys.org)  
Father Matthew Frisbee  
Worship: 4 pm Saturday & 11 am Sunday  
5:30 pm Tuesday Worship  
9 am Friday Worship • Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

### St. Paul Lutheran

2010 Park Avenue West • 419-529-4351  
[www.stpaulmansfield.org](http://www.stpaulmansfield.org)  
Pastor Jonathan Stufft  
9 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Monday Weekly Bible Study

### St. Timothy Lutheran Church

1262 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison area)  
• 419-589-5252 • [sttimmansfield.org](http://sttimmansfield.org)  
Pastor Jonathan Stufft  
10:45 am Sunday Worship  
10:15 am Monday Bible Study  
Email: [secretary@sttimmansfield.org](mailto:secretary@sttimmansfield.org)

### Trinity United Methodist Church

1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area)  
419-589-5890 • [trinityumcmansfield.org](http://trinityumcmansfield.org)  
Pastor Micahel W. Mack  
9:30 am Sunday Worship

### Wappner Funeral Home

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## Scholarship deadline is April 1

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. has announced its 2022 Scholarship Program.

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

Scholarship award amounts for the academic year 2022-'23 are as follows: one \$2,000 for a student attending a 4-year university; one \$1,000 for a student attending a 2-year college or technical school; and one \$1,000 for a student attending any higher institute of learning or enrolled in an accredited program for certification.

Applicants must be high school graduates of 2021 or earlier or hold a GED and reside or work in one of the following nine counties: Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca or Wyandot.

Find more details about the Scholarship Program and the application on the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. website <https://www.aaa5ohio.org/education/scholarship-program/>

The deadline for applications is April 1, 2022. For more information, contact Susie Danuloff at the Area Agency on Aging at 567-247-7105 or [sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org](mailto:sdanuloff@aaa5ohio.org).

## Kindergarten enrollment continues

Kindergarten enrollment at Stingel Elementary for Ontario Local Schools began Monday, Feb. 28. Parents are asked to have registration completed before spring break, April 8.

Final forms needs to be completely filled out on the Ontario School District website.

Once final forms are completed (all forms are green) parents can come into the Stingel Elementary office and complete the application process with Mrs. Kempf anytime between 8-3. At this appointment, bring the following documents: child's birth certificate, child's immunization record, proof of Ontario residency (utility bill, lease/mortgage agreement) and custody papers (if applicable).

A kindergarten screening will be scheduled in August at this appointment.



**MRS. WELCH** took advantage of a 70 degree day in March as her biology classes at Ontario High School went outside to do an ecosystem scavenger hunt on Friday, the 18th. The frogs in the wetlands were nice and loud.

## Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Angelique Marie Dailey, March 9

John M. Zaranec Sr., March 11

Helen M. Bright, March 14

Ellouise "Ellie" M. Knecht, March 14

Shirley Ann Clay, March 15

Doris M. Huffman Willis, March 16

Nanette "Nan" Carol Carbetta, March 17

**View Full Obituaries and Arrangements at [www.wappner.com](http://www.wappner.com)**

## Pond fish sale approaching

Pond owners are invited to order fingerling fish through Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD).

Buyers can choose from among a selection of Bluegill, Largemouth Bass, Hybrid Bluegill, Redear Shellcracker, Channel Catfish, White Amur and Fathead Minnows.

Pond owners can also order pond conditioner and fish food.

Orders and payment are due by Friday, April 15, and pick-up is Friday, April 22, at 10 am at the Richland County Fairgrounds.

This is the only pond fish sale Richland SWCD will sponsor this year, so do not miss this opportunity.

Full details, including pricing and an order form may be obtained by visiting <https://richlandswcd.net/fish-descriptions> or by calling 419-747-8685.

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.

## Ontario egg hunt planned for April 9

The City of Ontario Recreation Department will host an Easter egg hunt at noon on Saturday, April 9, in Marshall Park, near the splash pad and playscape.

The hunt will be held rain or shine and is for ages three through fourth grade. Those attending are asked to arrive 10-15 minutes prior to the start to allow for time to find the correct age group. Remember to bring a container for eggs.

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# •March celebrated as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

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“Newhope is a fantastic opportunity for children with disabilities of any kind to receive early intervention. Nicholas receives this help up until he is four years old. They come to my home weekly and work with Nicholas!” Brittany Tolley said.

When I asked Brittany if there was anything she would want the community to know about her as a parent of a child with down syndrome, she went on to say, “Just treat us like you would anyone else and respect us. Comments and assumptions about special needs children are made to me weekly. These children are quick learners and able to exceed hurdles that others will never face. They may take a little longer to learn certain things but are really just like anyone else. These kids are able to live a good and full life!”

The World Health Organization acknowledges March 21 as World Down Syndrome Day. Down Syndrome is a genetic chromosome 21 disorder causing developmental and intellectual delays. Cell division happens in a unique way that results in an extra genetic material from chromosome 21. It affects approximately 6,000 babies at birth every year. This day is to raise public awareness, promote inclusivity, encourage advocacy, and support the wellbeing of those living with Down Syndrome.

Richland Newhope (Richland County Board of Developmental Disabilities) uses a person-centered approach to providing services and supports that helps individuals with developmental disabilities live the life they want to live. Find them on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandNewhope> or on their website at <https://www.rnewhope.org/>



Nicholas



*15th Annual*  
**Business Expo 2022**  
 Get in the Game!  
*March 24th 10am-4pm*  
**Public Welcome**  
**Visit with 100 local businesses!**  
**Bring Your Friends • Family**  
**Neighbors • Co-workers**

**FREE ADMISSION!**  
 March 24 · 10am-4pm  
 at the Richland County Fairgrounds

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# Pioneer grants approval to students for special trips

At the March 21, meeting the Pioneer Board of Education adopted a resolution accepting amounts and rates of taxes.

The 2022-'23 high school calendar, early childhood education calendar and feeschedule and adult education calendar were approved.

A donation of 49 mini mannequin heads, with an approximate value of \$20 each for a total value of \$980, was accepted from Lisa Gregory, Galion. These mannequin heads will be used for educational purposes in our cosmetology program.

Dawn Wright-Smith, Blackbaud Giving Fund, Charleston, SC, gave a \$30 donation to be deposited into the Alumni Endowment fund and used for annual student scholarships.

Zara Construction, Inc., Mansfield, gave a donation of \$500 to be used to purchase t-shirts for students and staff for the Pioneer CTC Community Day of Service.

The board approved a BPA State Leadership Conference trip to Hyatt Regency, Columbus, March 9-11. Students attending are Sebastian Barker, IT Support, Shelby High School; Jullian Diaz, IT Support, Lexington; Collin Dingus, IT Support, Crestview; Haley Henry, Web Page Design, Willard; Joshua Kochheiser, IT Support, Lexington; Madalynn McMillin, Web Page Design, Bucyrus; Michael Pavo-Taylor, IT Support, Bucyrus; Landen Perry, IT Support, Shelby; Rossi Ramey, IT Support, Shelby; Robert Sklar, Web Page Design, Wynford; Coltin Stanley, IT Support, Willard; Jordan Thornton, Web Page Design, Galion; and Jonathan Wood, Web Page Design, Willard. Chaperones are: Dan Foss, IT Support Instructor/SPA Advisor; Marianne Ritchie, Web Page Design Instructor/SPA Advisor; and John Yohe, Science Instructor.

A trip to the HOSA State Leadership Conference at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, March 24-25, was approved for students Gayden Strohming, Exercise Science, Lexington; Alexis Thayer, Dental Assisting, Madison; Siciali Portuguese, Dental Assisting, Willard; Colton Harper, Dental Assisting, Ashland; Kennedy Ernst, Medical Assisting, Ontario; Kaleigh Leadbetter, Exercise Science, Lexington; and Dayja Doster, Exercise Science, Ontario. Chaperone is Melissa Myers, Dental Assisting Instructor/HOSA co-advisor.

A trip to the International Career Development Conference, Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, GA, April 23-27 was approved for Bucyrus High School students Ashley Davis, Kelsey Fackler, Braxton Lewis, Karys Boyd, Eddie Dagher, Gavin O'Connell, Adacyn Rister

and Chris Neale; and chaperones Jody Tacket, Marketing Instructor/DECA advisor and Jeff Funigiello, Media Comm. Instructor/DECA advisor.

Clay Frye was hired as Director of Operations on a one-year contract, beginning in August. Jeremiah Howe was hired as a Career Tech Supervisor on a three-year contract beginning August 1, 2022. Also hired were Matt Parr, Supervisor, Satellite Programs, three-year contract; Donald Paullin, Assistant Director, Adult Education, three-year contract; Daniel Slaughter, Career Tech Supervisor; three-year contract; and Jolene Young, Assistant Director, High School, three-year contract; all beginning Aug. 1, 2022.

A resignation was accepted from J. Michael Cauley, Industrial Technology Instructor of the Col. Crawford Satellite program, effective Feb. 28, 2022.

Employment was granted to Jeffrey Evans, Auto Tech & Construction Level One Instructor, one-year contract, effective Aug. 17, 2022.

Tina Parr was employed as an intervention specialist on a one-year contract; Rich Ulmer was hired as an intervention specialist, one-year contract; and Peter Schmitt was hired as an integrated math instructor; one-year contract; all effective Aug. 17, 2022.

A chaperone stipend was approved for Skills USA competition for Christine Smith and Mike Smith. A chaperone stipend was approved for BPA State competition, John Yohe.

The employment of Jesse Meyer as a substitute instructor was given approval and a resignation was accepted from Lynette Noble, PIT cafeteria/banquet worker.

Employment was granted to Dannielle Barker, PIT cafeteria/banquet worker; and Kimberly High, PIT distribution parts pick-up/bus driver.

A resignation was accepted from Kimberly Kaple, substitute bus driver and secretary.

The board did not approve a change in location for Pioneer Board of Education meetings to the Pioneer Board of Education Conference Room. Meetings will continue to be held in the community room located at main entrance.

The board approved an agreement for language services with Interpreter Unlimited and then entered into executive session to consider the discipline of a public employee or official. The board approved a Last Chance Agreement for a certificated personnel.

## In Your Hometown: *Protecting Striking Workers Health Insurance*

By Senator Sherrod Brown

In our country, workers have rights. Corporations shouldn't be able to take away the health care workers earned just because workers stand up for themselves and exercise those rights

It's why I introduced the Striking Workers Healthcare Protection Act, to require employers to continue providing health insurance to workers on strike for fair pay and benefits and safe workplaces.

It would protect working families from being forced off the health coverage they've earned and negotiated, and protect them from having to pay out-of-pocket for the health care their families need.

Any union worker knows that strikes are always a last resort. Workers want to reach a fair agreement, so they can keep going to work and providing for their families. Workers almost never recover all the lost wages from a strike.

But sometimes it's the only option.

If a company refuses to agree to a fair contract, workers can use their collective voice. In 2019, General Motors was making massive profits, and was about to reap a windfall in tax cuts from Mitch McConnell's corporate tax giveaway.

Workers made those profits possible, and all they were asking for was their fair share. During the national union strike, General Motors dropped workers' health insurance, including the coverage of workers in Ohio.

And it happens all the time.

This year, bakery workers at Local 37 were forced off their health care benefits while on strike at Rich Products. During the UAW strike last fall, John Deere threatened to cancel the health care coverage of thousands of workers across the Midwest. UMWA workers at

Warrior Met had their health care coverage cut off when they went on strike in April 2021. The union has been paying the health care coverage for those members since the strike began.

American workers have the right to negotiate a fair contract that reflects the value of their work without the fear of losing health care benefits they earned and negotiated in good faith at the bargaining table.

Our bill would protect workers' and their families' health. And it would give workers the peace of mind that if they're backed into the corner, they can stand up to corporate abuse, without the fear of losing their families' health insurance.

## Victory center open in Mansfield

The Richland County Republican Party Victory Center is open. Volunteers will be staffing the Victory Center Wednesdays from noon to 6 pm and Saturdays from 11 am to 1 pm.

The center has yard signs, literature from candidates and more. Community members are encouraged to stop by and visit at 1680 Nussbaum Parkway, Mansfield.

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## ONTARIO RECREATION DEPARTMENT

By Heather Hendrix

Ontario High School or eighth grade students are eligible to become Summer Recreation Camp workers. Students can help with sports, dance, cheer, art, legos or science.

The City of Ontario Recreation Department is looking for students (must be 14 years old by June 1, 2022) that would like to work for the summer recreation camp this year. The camp will run from June 13-16 and June 20-23, from 8:30 am to noon.

Those interested in working can obtain an online application at <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/cityofontario?season=3110635>. Deadline to apply is March 25.

A lifeguard recertification class will be held Sunday, April 3, from 12-5 pm at Ontario High School.

Lifeguard certifications must be renewed every two years.

Cost is \$75. Deadline to sign-up for this class is March 31.

To sign-up visit <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/cityofontario?season=3134637&session=55030037>

The egg hunt will be held April 9. See page 5 for information.

## Cabin tours available at open house

The Richland Early American Center for History invites the community to tour the 1812 Blockhouse, the 1808 Petersburg Log Cabin and the new Hawks Nest Forge & Cooperage.

A spring open house will be held Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8 at South Park, 100 Brinkerhoff Ave., in Mansfield. The event is open from 10 am to 4 pm

Visitors can take a step back in time and explore early American cabin life and venture into the blockhouse where early pioneers gathered for protection. Passport stamps will be available for school children.

For information on this or other events, visit <https://www.facebook.com/RichlandEarlyAmericanCenterforHistory>



**BUCKEYE STATE CREDIT UNION** held a ribbon cutting at the new Lexington Avenue location. Attending were Jodie Perry (Richland Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director), Dan Perry (CRO), Kathy Menditto (VP, Human Resources), Megan Wiley (AVP, Operations), Kathy Menditto (VP, Human Resources), Deanna Allen (COO), Michael Abernathy (CEO), Courtney Mackley (Branch Manager), Brad Riley (CFO), Ty Schwamberger (AVP, Member Solutions), Anthony Manus (AVP, Lending) and Terrence Davis (VP, Community Engagement).

## Buckeye State Credit Union opens location

Photo and Article  
By Traci Little

Buckeye State Credit Union has a new branch located at 1485 Lexington Avenue in Mansfield. The opening was celebrated with an official ribbon cutting on March 15. Snacks, refreshments, music, and Truckin' Trav's food truck welcomed the community and guests.

Terrence Davis, VP of Community Engagement, welcomed the community with passionate excitement. He spoke about Buckeye State Credit Union being different than any other bank. Buckeye has been serving its members across northeast Ohio for many years, and now has come to Mansfield.

He said, "What sets BSCU apart from other banks is the fact that it is a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), desiring to empower its members' finances." Buckeye State Credit Union claims to be #DifferentOnPurpose.

Davis said he believes wholeheartedly in servant leadership. "When you start to serve others, it becomes contagious. It falls in line with what our Credit Union is all about, which is people helping people," he said.

"At Buckeye, you are treated

as an individual, not just a number. It looks just like a family; they will laugh, cry, and work alongside community members to see them succeed and thrive."

For three consecutive years, BSCU was recognized as a "Top Workplace" in Northeast Ohio.

Buckeye State Credit Union takes a risk on people who may or may not have a perfect credit score or even the person who may have suffered financial bumps along life's journey.

They believe everyone deserves a chance to build a promising financial future. Bad things happen to good people, and everyone deserves a fair opportunity.

Also in attendance for the ribbon cutting were Buckeye State Credit Union's CEO Michael Abernathy, CRO Dan Perry, CFO Brad Riley, AVP of Lending Anthony Manus, AVP of Member Solutions Ty Schwamberger, and COO Deanna Allen.

A few others gave a warm welcome including Paul Mercer, President of the Ohio Credit Union League, State Representative Marilyn John, Brian Polen from Mid Ohio Race Management who talked about the Shawshank Hustle, and Jodie Perry, Executive Director of the

Richland Area Chamber of Commerce.

Buckeye State Credit Union prides itself in having a strong history that built the foundation for a great future. They were formed in 1933, during the great depression, as the Akron Postal Employees Credit Union in order to serve postal workers during the worst economic period in United States history.

Buckeye's tradition has been to serve postal workers, signified by their postage stamp logo, but has grown to be more inclusive and now serves much of Northeast Ohio, including those who reside, work, go to school, worship, or volunteer in Lake, Cuyahoga, Summit, Stark, Wayne, Ashland, Richland and Medina counties.

Despite several mergers over the years all across the state of Ohio, Buckeye State Credit Union has maintained its roots in the Northeast Ohio area where it has been a staple in the community for over 85 years.

Check out the new Buckeye State Credit Union in Mansfield at 1485 Lexington Avenue or give them a call at 567-327-3051. More information can be found on their website at <https://www.buckeyecu.org/>



KNOX COUNTY CAREER CENTER students qualifying for the Business Professionals of America National Competition are (not in photo order and one missing) Lydia Burak, Abigail Kennedy, Hannah Brooks, Dryden Hager, Nathan Lubera, Ethan Temple and Logan O'Brien. These students will compete in Dallas, TX May 4-8.

## Knox County Career Center students qualify for BPA National Competition

Knox County Career Center (KCCC) students competed in person in the Business Professionals of America (BPA) State competition held in Columbus recently.

KCCC had seven students who qualified for nationals and 11 students who placed in the Top 10 in the BPA State competition. The seven national qualifiers from KCCC will compete in the BPA National Leadership Conference in Dallas, TX May 4-8.

BPA is a career technical student organization that allows students to compete in various competitions in the areas of Finance, Business Administration, Management Information Systems, Digital Communications and Design, Management, Marketing and Communications and Health Administration.

The mission of BPA is to develop and empower student leaders to discover their passion and change the world by creating unmatched opportunities in learning, professional growth and service.

As a co-curricular organization, BPA has the ability to enhance student participation in professional, civic, service, and social endeavors. BPA members participate in these activities to accomplish their goals of self-improvement, leadership development, professionalism,

community service, career development, public relations, student cooperation, safety and health.

Tammy Klein, CollegeU-Business program instructor, commented, "We are so very proud of the time and effort students gave toward preparing for and competing in their BPA contests. State contests were a wonderful experience and we are looking forward to Dallas!"

Klein added, "As a former BPA student, I have personally experienced how BPA can change lives by opening eyes and minds to new possibilities."

Nate Greene, Computer Network Technology program instructor, added, "I am extremely proud of all of our students who qualified for nationals. These students have been studying and preparing for their competitions for several months."

Students qualifying for the BPA National Leadership Conference (National Qualifiers) are Lydia Burak (CollegeU-Business), Presentation Management Individual (third place); Abigail Kennedy (CollegeU-Business), Legal Office Procedures (third place); Hannah Brooks (CollegeU-Business), Human Resource Management (third place); Dryden Hager (CollegeU-Business), Business Law & Ethics (fifth place); Nathan

Lubera (Computer Network Technology), Computer Network Technology (first place); Ethan Temple (Computer Network Technology), Network Administration using Cisco (fourth place); Logan O'Brien (Computer Network Technology), Server Administration using Microsoft (fifth place).

Students placing in the Top 10 at the BPA State competition are Kierstin Cox (CollegeU-Business), Prepared Speech; Joshua Rashley (CollegeU-Business), Fundamental Spreadsheet Applications; Robert Swint (Computer Network Technology), Advanced Interview Skills; Griffyn Hoenie (Computer Network Technology), Computer Network Technology; Blake Ward (Computer Network Technology), Computer Security; Kaden Pealer (Computer Network Technology), Network Administration using Cisco; John Auker (Computer Network Technology), Server Administration using Microsoft; Garry Cooper (Digital Media & Software Development), Digital Media Production; Dani Burky, Rachel Troyer, and Corigan Iams (Digital Media & Software Development), Computer Animation; Emma Frazee (Pre-Professional Mentorship), Interview Skills; and Holly Sawicki (Pre-Professional Mentorship), Economic Research Individual.

## Scholarship will honor memory of Marilyn Archer

Advantage Credit Union created the Marilyn Archer Scholarship to honor the memory of Marilyn Archer. Marilyn fought a valiant four-year fight against cancer and died at the age of 52.

She worked for the Credit Union as a volunteer for 20 years and as a staff member for 10.

She gave to the credit union in many ways that made the road easier for those that followed without anticipation of personal profit or recognition.

It is the hope of the family and the credit union that this scholarship will inspire future leaders with the gifts she possessed of common sense and a volunteer spirit.

The scholarship is for \$1,000 to go toward college expenses.

A few board members select the winner, based on a 500-word essay, scholastic and extracurricular activities, along with transcripts, and statement of desire. All students in Richland County are eligible, along with those who are members or the son or daughter of a member. If a student is not a member, a free savings account will be opened for them, which makes them a member for life.

The credit union to provide products for young adults that help them build credit and make smart loans that give them a chance to get established. Another plus is that once a member, always a member, so if one moves away from the area, they'll be able to take the hometown, local benefits with them.

Along with the completed application, submissions must include a high school transcript, list of extracurricular activities (clubs, sports, etc.), statement of desire: What are your future educational goals/dreams and how will this scholarship assist you in achieving them?; and a 500-word essay in response to "Describe how you would explain the value found in credit union membership to your fellow high school seniors."

Applications are due by 5 pm on Friday, April 29. To receive an application visit [https://www.advantage4.org/upload/marilyn\\_archer\\_scholarship\\_2022.pdf](https://www.advantage4.org/upload/marilyn_archer_scholarship_2022.pdf)

Call Advantage Credit Union at 419-529-5603 for more information.

# St. Patrick's Day at Ontario High School



## Honor and Merit Rolls

### Ontario High School

Third Grading Period

#### HIGHEST HONORS

**Seniors** — Ian Barnes, Laura Beckett, Meredith Bise, Brooklyn Blaising, Gracen Boor, Gina Camarata, Haley Carpenter, Alejandro Carrizal Ramos, Ryan Chapman, Rachell Clark, Nathaniel Cogar, Brody Conley, Johnathan Corcoran, Brandon Daily, Priya Das, Darian Delbrugge, Emma Drexel, Samantha Fraley, Aiden Frankhouse, Madison Genders, McKenna Gorbett, Kendal Goulding, Brooke Hagerman, Jansen Hildreth, Elliott Hopkins, Sophia Humphrey, Nathaniel Judson, Shelby Keever, Jaslyn Ly, Macy Mangan, Ellie Maurer, Chasity Mies, Allison Moody, Destiny Moton, Chance Mullins, Rylee Nigh, Amanda Phillips, Alexander Rathburn, Nathaniel Reid, Elizabeth Royle, Ava Ruhe, Audrey Saltz-

giver, Ashton Schonauer, Cooper Schroeder, Madelyn Seibel, Nathan Slater, Courtney Smith, Alyssa Taylor, Riley Them, Evan Trumpower, Riley Vavra, Brooklyn Wharton, Tiffany Whittaker and Shelby Zimmerman  
**Juniors** — Omar Abdelaziz, Hayden Baker, Mckenzie Barnhart, Zachary Berry, Leah Blay, Cameron Boyce, Elizabeth Corn, Jayden Dechert, Kennedy Ernst, Joslyne Frazier, Easton Frost, Nevaeh Garza, Kaden Gilland, Joseph Griefenstine, Kayen Huvler, Olivia Justice, Colin Kmetz, Joseph Litao, Brandon Litteral, Robert Mangan, Grace McClenathan, Duncan McLean, Miles Meisse, Kylee Mullins, Elizabeth Nagel, Brody Phillips, Natalie Reid, Logan Rhodebeck, Luke Russell, Hadley Schultz, Elijah Selser, Lauren Sexton, Alexis Shaver, Kylie Snow, Audrey Spearman, Chandler Spognardi, Andrew Stephens, James Stewart, Alexandria Switaj, Brienne Trumpower, Adison Turnbaugh,

Connor Wiggins, Elanor Wilging and Erica Ye

**Sophomores** — Carson Barnes, Charles Danuloff, Makayla Dickson, Paige Dunkle, Alexander Ellis, Autumn Ervin, Quinton Frankhouse, Trista Jewell, Olivia Kreger, Jaslyn Lopez, Jena Ly, Najee Morris, Kavya Patel, Brayden Robinson, Grady Schroeder, Ella Saffer, Jonah So, Chase Studer, Gracie Thurber, Carter Weaver, Brooklyn Weinand, Canaan Wentz, Richard Ye and Brady Zehe

**Freshmen** — Jack Belding, Madison Carpenter, Taylor Dille, Brooke Eyerly, Zoe Hampton, Eden Howard, Samuel Jackson, Vanessa Liu, Zachary Mcchristy, Rowan Mcmanes, Emma Mies, Bodpegn Miller, Claire Morrison, Alan O'Blisk, Camden Platner, Ryan Racer, Ethan Radojcsics, Laila Amos, Evan Ruhe, Elaina Seif, Claire Shaw, Landon Sowards, Grady Taylor, Mason Turnbaugh, Anna Ward, Kennedy Weiler and Jack Zahn

#### HONOR ROLL

**Seniors** — Skylar Ambrose, Alexis Barry, Kaylee Calhoun, Teyron Cantey, Brianna Carbar,

Kenichi Chang, Paige Danuloff, Faith Dickson, Paige Divelbiss, Persephone Fry, Hunter Hughes, Lexi Milligan, Alexander Morehead, Siera Mullins, Chloe Pore, Fiona Reeder, Kayla SeEVERS, Gabrielle Smith, Gabrielle Waggoner and Colin Walters

**Juniors** — Jillian Ambrose, Isabel Baker, Katelyn Bauerdick, Olivia Blevins, Caden Boebel, Elisha Burson, Dayja Doster, Lillian Fetzer, Destini Gottfried, Cole Gremling, Jayla Hall, Rylan Hefner, Anna Jones, Logan Kegley, Scott Kern, Arron Knapp, Kayla Kurtz, Noah Marsh, Thomas Montgomery, Taylor Mullins, Hunter Petit, Jordan Reed, Adam Renchen, Ella Ritter, John Rose, Belicia Salas, William Saltzgeber, Tanner Stevens, Grace Voelp, Brooklyn Ward, Natalie Warner, Bryce Wentz and Laprina Young

**Sophomores** — Jastyn Allen, Abigail Bechstein, Grason Bias, Ivy Bistline, Carson Bricker, Dione Cantey, Eleanor Cotter, Hailey Crabtree, Gabrielle Davis, Jazmine Ellis, James Fetzer, Rachel Foss, Ethan Grider, Savannah Jackson, Elizabeth Lacroix,

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Jocelyn Leheh, Lillia Lehman, Joshua Mazzocco, Ezra Pearce, David Reedy, Haylee Riedel, Brooklyn Rowe, Micah Smith, Sarah Strickler

## MERIT ROLL

**Seniors** — Jordan Bulakovski, Emily Cacchio, Mariah Cook, Tyler Danals, Jasmyne Decimus, Emily Doyle, Bayleigh Eaton, Dane Ervin, Tessa Fearn, Macie Hamilton, Chloe Hollar, Lukas Hopton, Gage Johnson, Aaron Lambert, Nicole Lucido, Trevor Maglott, Zavier Marlow, Ethan McCoy, Nuhami Miller, Julia O'Blisk, Breanna Roth, Braxton Scott, Xander Seffens, Faith Shoemaker, Gina Smith, Lilliana Snyder, Ethan Turnbaugh and Mendy Ye

**Juniors** — Brooklynn Adkins, Alexander Bayes, Roma Blevins, Colton Ciroli, Tristan Cortez, Hugo Estrada Gomez, Braxton Hall, Madaline Henderson, Ciara Hergatt, Nolan Hoffner, Zayne Hooks, Marisa Horton, Adrienne Kearns, Ayvette Knapp, Keely Kurtz, Derekah Lawrence, J'lee Long, Lance Miller, Colin Milligan, Abigail Mink, Alexis Partin, Mia Porter, Pablo Sanchez Vidal, Payton Schisler, Trenton Smith, Elijah Stankovich, Bryce Thompson, Cooper Vanarsdalen, Mercedes Vandenberg, Cali Walsh, Gage Weaver and Dylan Wiese

**Sophomores** — Caleb Barabani, Michael Barnhill, Grayson Casey, Taylor Counts, Jaylen Curry, Kaden Dickerson, Anzaya Estep, Ezri Farley, Megan Goldbach, Madeline Hansen, Natalie Kline, Mackenzie Large, Maggie Love, Ariana Morales Mora, Brenna Nelson, Brandon Paxton, Nicholas Pohlbel, Grayson Purvis, Ka'mashya Shaw, Mia Strong, Jasmine Stutzman, Noah Tuttle and Jeremiah Viscioni

**Freshmen** — Devon Ad-dow-Roose, Matthew Bayes, Baylee Black, Jaydyn Chaffin, Elizabeth Criss, David Draper, Gavin Dunn, Addisyn Fender, Aiden Fox, Avaia Francis, Regan Freiheit, Mitchell Geer, Cayden Hefner, Stella Kaufman, Charles Massey, Kendra Nelson, Ian Rachel, Evan Saltzgeber, Isabella Schoonover, Zoey Smith, Adison Viers, David Winans, David Yan and Jayden Yochem

## Ontario Middle School

Third Grading Period

### ALL A

**Sixth Grade** — Ayden Adams-Thompson, Alayna Arter,

Elias (Eli) Baumgard, Ally Bell, Myles Born, Yvette Carrizal Ramos, Max Ciroli, Grace Click, Alexee Conkle, Ellie Dawson, Jackson Dean, Grant Domyan, Noah Durfee, Nadia Eberst, Anna Faith, Ava Farinacci, Luke Genders, Maxwell (Max) Gfrer, Lillian Gray, Jilyinn (Jily) Grayson, Briella Hall, Alexander Hohman, Owen Hunt, Addysen Jacobson, Colton Joseph, Lincoln Jovani, Caleb Kelly, Aadilynne (Aadi) Kightlinger, Kooper Kilgore, Elise LeHew, Braxton Michalovich, Ahleeyah Miller, Yuka Mori, Carson Moritz, Ian Morrison, Kamryn Pelphrey, Camila Perez-Archuleta, Conner Perry, Norah Potter, Roxy Purvis, Kolbe Ramion, Morgan Rose, Leah Rzeppa, Kennedy Sapp, Daycee Schlotterer, Vaydie Schroeder, Kaelin Scott, Sofia (Sofi) Shields, Alexis (Lexi) Them, Ella Them, Kendall Thomas, Tyler Turnbaugh, Haiden Utery, Rylee Vandenberg, Zane VanTilburg, Mason Wilkerson, Tanner Winningham, Molly Wirick, Henry Yugovich, Ava Zehe, Antony Zhu, Kevin Zickefoose and Leah Ziegler

**Seventh Grade** — Ryleigh Ames, Emma Bell, Bryant Born, Kaylei Chandler, Connor Dawson, Robert (Rob) Faith, Alexandria (Alex) Fender, Eliana Fittante, Logan Goldbach, Eva Hadsell, Abigail (Abby) Hart, Jazlyn Johnson, Yuchen Lin, Kyleigh McCarthy, Tatum Mottayaw, Sky-lie Salmos, Maja Seibel, Ava Spearman, Lin Angel Tan, Lauren Uhde, Owen Walter, William Wang, Timo Winningham, Mitchell Ye and Jordyn Yeager

**Eighth Grade** — Brady Baumgard, Darbie Broom, Blake DeWees, Alaina Friend, Mackenzie (Kenzie) Goodlin, Kailey Hale, Emma (Em) Henderson, Brinlee Kreger, Kaylee Lynch, Delaney Moritz, Madeline (Maddie) Mullins, Eleanor Pesce, Raiden Rhinehart, Madelyn (Maddy) Roseberry, Payne Schwartz, Lily Secrist, Alexia SESCO, Hayden Sexton, Joie Simmering, Alexis Swank, Nora Swanson, Justin Switaj, Grace Them, Addison Thurber, James (Jimmy) Unger, Michael Ward, Reese Wilkerson, Jace Young, Hattie Yugovich

### HONOR ROLL

**Sixth Grade** — Harley Crawford, Haydon Gaines, Desmond Hefner, Lillian (Lilly) Ladner, Talan Mathison, Amelia McCoy, Ryann Messer, Tulsi Patel, Mason Richardson, Jack Rietschlin, Emily Simms, Caiden Smith, Garrett Smith, Maddix Smith, Peyton Vance, Jonathan Winans

**Seventh Grade** — Aaliyah Caldwell, Ava Cline, Braedayn Currier, Brennan Fields, Maia Fox, Garrett Hagerman, Camryn Hanning, Haleigh Hefner, Vincent (Vinny) Hocker, Emerson Jovani, Rylee Kegley, Madison Mabry, Sydney McManes, Caden Meyers, KayVion (KayVi) Norris, Gavin Reiver-Crew, Sophia Sandwall, Cooper Schroeder, Kadynce Smithberger, Paxton (Pax) So, Alandria Thomas, Elton Toska, Braedon Watson, Paige Weiler and Madelyn (Mady) Yoha

**Eighth Grade** — Brooklynn Black, Sasha Bulakovski, Serena Caudill, Marcus Crabtree, Mason Egner, Jonah Fenner, Drake Gerber, Aaliyah Gonzalez, Maximilian (Max) Grillo, Nicholas Huml, Paradise Jeru, Kiarrah Kearney, Jaren LeHew, Joelle Ly, Trenton Maglott, Lilliana (Lilli) McLaren, Gracy Miller, Dale Morris, Emy Nutter, Alexis (Lexi) Ogle, Jacob (Jake) Palmer, Morgan Pearson, Eva Rietschlin, Madeline (Maddie) Saltzgeber, Remington Schroeder, Jacob (Jake) Seymour, Hayden Skropits, Jordan Spurlock, Jaxson Tinkham, Brailynn (Brai) Webb and Cohen Williams

### MERIT ROLL

**Sixth Grade** — Abigail Balasabas, Isobel Boorum, Raegan Boughton, Makayla Converse, Kylie Corwin, Jaxon (Jax) Cross, Korbin Crubaugh, Zane Curry, Ieyanna David, Daulton Dials, Charity Dickson, Owen Drexel, Aria Edgell, Izayah Hatcher, Matthew Jenkins, Violet Lucas, Marisa Moffo, Jamar Norris, Katja Parsons, Atlee Price, Carlie Schnitke, Natalie Sipes, Gavin Wagner, Molly Weaver, Kayden Webb, Titus White and Parker Willis

**Seventh Grade** — Jaxson Anderson, Cheyanne Barden, Faith Brahler, Olivia Brinker, Brody Cheek, Lillian (Lily) Chitwood, Jada Clemons, Lily Garn, Shaun Gilbert, Lincoln Ginn, Lilly Gorell, Nolan Grider, Andrea Hart, Jaren Holden, Grace Holzmueller, Grace Horning, Kiera Hughes, Brylie Ireland, Kennedy Johnson, Molly Julian, Braelyn Llewellyn, Myah Lynch, Mia Micheli, Gavin Miller, Kyle Morris, Grace North, Isla Peachee, Ashton Pfeifer, Le (Phuong) Phan, Anna Saltzgeber, Carson Smith, Natalie (Nat) Smith, Saylor Smith, Piper Studer, Dominick Tilton-Cantrell, Ashlynn Viers, Brayden Woods and Dakota Yunker

**Eighth Grade** — David Barger, Katelyn Bednarz, Trinity Burgy, Ava Calise, Alexander (Xander) Chitwood, Bianca Clark, Serenity Cole, Jack Cotter, Tessa Crum, Tessa Curtis, Brooklynn (Brooke) Cushing, Ryder Doe-hla, Jake DuChene, Sophia El-

lis, Emma Fagan, Kate Fletcher, Miles Ginn, Dakota Graaf, Lexy Hopton, Malayna Horton, Xander Jellison, Nadia Keith, Keegan Keller, Jayden Kiser, Jazmin Kiser, Garrett Ladner, Daisy Loper, Ava Moots, Aiden Ohl, Elaina Owens, Phoebe Platner, Hannah Rox, Karsyn Schoonover, Clark Spearman, Caleb Thomas, Lillian Waxter, Anna Weaver, Sara Wharton, Anna Wilson, Trevonte (Trey) Wynn, Aileena (Leena) Young and Blakeigh Yoxtheimer-Michalovich

## Clear Fork High School

### Second Grading Period

### ALL A

**Seniors** — Leah Argenio, Destiny Bittinger, Aaron Brown, Jessica Brown, Maddie Clark, Zacharias Clark, Caitlyn Drockton, Sarah Fitzsimmons, Abigail Fowler, Taylor Grossman, Adeline Haring, Emmalee Mellick, Isabella Molina, Evan Moody, Ian Price, Hannah Pryor, Saylee Shoemaker, Ethan Staley, Alyssa Swank and Sydney Thorne

**Juniors** — Joshua Blakley, Claire Blubaugh, Gael Clark, Zoey Duffey, Sarah Hahn, Kylee Helinski, Allyson Hoffer, Zachary Hotz, Rachel Kovacs, Chloe Lewis, Shayla Mack, Gracie Palmer, Jordan Pfeifer, Lillian Pfeiderer, Benjamin Pryor, Reagan Roby, Brooklyn Walker, Brooklynn Worner and Lillian Wortman

**Sophomores** — Heather Ather-ton, Carter Coile, Zoe Daniels, Lincoln Dill, Emma Dormaier, Beau Dornbirer, Cooper George, Alton Jeffries, Collin Johnson, Abigail Kern, Abigail Kitzmiller, Annika Labaki, Jada Lamp, Olivia Markley, Christopher Mazzola, Emma McCoy, Evan Picchioni, Andrea Swainhart, Kasey Swank, Kayleigh Walker, Linzy Weyhmeller, Avery Wine and Savannah Wolfgang

**Freshmen** — Ava Beard, Addison Blakley, Jessica Hecht, Jay Jackson, Grace Johnson, Trevor Kinnamon, Bailey McKee, Madison Merendino, Leah Mortimer, Madison Oswald, Mackenzie Palmer, Rebecca Pryor, Reina Rehberg, Alexis Rodriguez, Baylie Salkovick, Mason Sansom, Kaybria Sims, Christian Walker and Hayden Wilson

### HONOR ROLL

**Seniors** — Braden Ball, Andrew Blauser, Hanna Brown, Madison Caudill, Mylah Flynn, Vegas Granholm, Noah Jordan, Braylon McCoy, Ayden Oswald, Darren Raike, Ashtynn Roberts, Michael Rowe, Jadin Sansom, Jared Scott, Justin Stewart and Hannah Therrien

**Juniors** — Josiah Bailey, Keith

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# Honor and Merit Rolls

(Continued from Page 12)

**Beard, Brooklyn Black, Lyvia Davis, Grace Knell, Hannah Nutter, Charles Penney, Collin Reed, Kaitlyn Schneider, Madelyn Shields, Elaina Shutt, Madison Smith and Keegan Wilson**

**Sophomores** — Zain Brown, Jessica Brown-Gassner, Christina Carroll, Timothy Conkling, Jackson Dudley, Saylee Fowler, Peyton Hoskins, Kiley Howell, Rachel Lefever, Nate Lind, Madison McKenna, Allison Montgomery, Emilee Morrison, Kadynce Muntain, Macy Ousley, Stephen Schlosser, Jonah Sharp, Aria Stage, Kylee Swank, Trinity Weekley, Grace Weikle, Gavin Welch and Katelen Wimer

**Freshmen** — Chandler Ball, Liam Beer, April Berry, Jayden Bowman, Merista Brown, Cheyanne Dearth, Venessa Eicher, Bobbie Fliger, Damon Hoskins, Sienna Johnson, Grant Keep, Carter King, Kylie Lorentz, Brooklyn Lutzmann, Fisher McLaughlin, Chloe Mowry, Isabella Oswald, Arianna Reid, Katrina Rogers, Jazmine Spayde, Dawson Staley, Haylee Swank, Anna Taylor, Claire Wallis, Hunter Weikle, Lillian Weikle and Dillion Wheeler

## MERIT ROLL

**Seniors** — Emma Boyles, Carrissa Brown, Rebekah Conrad, Stella Fry, Ellie Hauger, Logan Myerholtz, Madelynn Palmer, Ryan Peterson, Tatum Swihart, Courtney Valerio, Kaleb Wilson and Sarah Wiseman

**Juniors** — Braden Boyer, Marissa Bradley, Blaze Chapman, Cooper Conkling, Peter Cook, Lauren Firmi, Benjamin Gehrisch, Elizabeth Langer, Emily Mansfield, Charles Myer, Frederick Proto, Kaden Riddle, Lauryn Robinson, Aaliyah Rogers, Victor Skoog, Cooper Tedrow and Caroline Tilton

**Sophomores** — Renee Anders, Kylie Belcher, David Buckland, Milo Burgholder, Ben Eyster, Nevaeh Frederick, Erica Gillis, Emilee Greene, Marissa Lawhun, Charlene Luschei, Hannah Neff, Sophia Perry, Hayden Roberts, Taya Shultz, Piper Stepp and Isabella Swiatek

**Freshmen** — Melodie Blubaugh, Jared Bowman, John Carey, Emily Conrad, Garrett Hotz, Emily Montgomery, Alexander Ousley, Lauren Perry, Logan Pfeiderer, Regan Pore, Jonah Reed, Layla Soliday, William Stewart, Lola Stillion, Evan Tahmalwash and Tanner Thorne



**PIONEER PRESCHOOL** partnered with Gorman Nature Center to host an evening with animals. A snake and two turtles came to visit.

## Ontario Schools Menu

### Breakfast

- Monday: Apple cinnamon muffin, fruit juice
- Tuesday: Whole grain mini pancakes, fruit juice
- Wednesday: Cream cheese filled bagel, fruit juice
- Thursday: Whole grain cinni mini roll, fruit juice
- Friday: Two whole grain pop tarts, fruit juice

### Week of March 28

- Monday: Cheeseburger sandwich, sweet potato rounds, pickle chips, pears
- Tuesday: Chicken drumstick, mashed potatoes with gravy, roll with butter, applesauce cup
- Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, broccoli, apple/cinnamon loaf, mixed fruit
- Thursday: Sloppy joe sandwich, baked beans, potato chips, peaches
- Friday: Cheese pizza, green beans, fruit juice, cookie bar

### Week of April 4

- Monday: Corn dog, baked beans, peach and pear mix, pudding cup
- Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, romaine salad, bread sticks, pears
- Wednesday: Turkey sandwich, sweet potatoes, applesauce, fudge bar
- Thursday: French toast sticks, sausage patty, hash brown, orange juice
- Friday: Fish sandwich, cole slaw, potato chips, peaches

### Week of April 18

- Monday: Chicken patty sandwich, broccoli, mandarin oranges, cookie
- Tuesday: Hot dog or coney, baked beans, apple slices, caramel
- Wednesday: Submarine sandwich, cooked carrots, corn chips, fruit juice
- Thursday: Pepperoni pizza calzone, buttered corn, peach cup, granola bar
- Friday: Bosco sticks with marinara sauce, green beans, mixed fruit, Goldfish Grahams

### Week of April 25

- Monday: Pepperoni pizza poppables, string cheese, cucumber slices, peaches
- Tuesday: Taco salad, black beans, orange sherbet, Jello cup
- Wednesday: BBQ pork sandwich, potato wedges, apple crisp, ice cream cup
- Thursday: Chicken finger wrap, lettuce and cheese, broccoli, sidekick juice
- Friday: Ham sandwich, carrot sticks, scalloped potatoes, pineapple

### Week of May 2

- Monday: Chicken and cheese quesadilla, cheese sauce cup, black beans, peaches
- Tuesday: Beef and bean burrito, romaine salad, spiced apples, ice cream cup
- Wednesday: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, roll with butter, fruit cocktail
- Thursday: Shredded chicken sandwich, sweet potato fries, strawberries, brownie
- Friday: Pepperoni pizza, cauliflower, mixed fruit, fruit snack



**ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL** health students practiced physical activities wearing "drunk goggles," which simulate the effects of drinking alcohol. The teachers are Mrs. Carcione and Mr. Sanalone.



**MANSFIELD CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** Teacher Ellen Lilly is RISE FMs March 20–27 Teacher of the Week. Mrs. Lilly was nominated for her ability to disguise learning as fun, her compassion and care for her students and her way of making every moment a teachable one.

## Ontario swimmer recognized

Ontario High School recently recognized the girls and boys swimmers for a very successful season. The first half of the ceremony saw the following athletes receive varsity and junior varsity awards:

JV: Kaity Barnett, Jazmine Ellis, Ezri Farley, Katie Keffalas (diver), Lindsay Knecht, Rowan McManes, Olivia Thoman, Moe Bolen, Aiden Fox, Trayse Gobble, Jaden Holt, Zach McChristy, Wyatt Riet-schlin, Thatcher Samuels, Canaan Wentz, David Yan and Richard Ye

Varsity Freshmen: Katie Bolin, Sky Liu, Elaina Seif, Logan Bernatt, Evan Ruhe

Varsity Sophomores: Haley Damron

Varsity Juniors: Jayden Dechert, Ellie Martinez, Brienne Trumpower, Colin Cordrey, Duncan McLean, Hunter Petit and Alex Rose

Varsity Seniors: Shelby Keever (4), Ava Ruhe (4), Riley Them (4), Tiffany Whittaker (4), Alex Matthes (3) and Evan Trumpower (3).

Coaches Award: Ellie Martinez and Evan Trumpower

Most Improved: Colin Cordrey and Haley Damron

Most Valuable: Shelby Keever, Ava Ruhe and Evan Trumpower

Academic Recognition (3.5 GPA): Katie Bolin, Jayden Dechert, Ezri Farley, Shelby Keever, Sky Liu, Rowan McManes, Ava Ruhe, Elaina Seif, Brienne Trumpower, Zach McChristy, Duncan McLean, Hunter Petit, Evan Ruhe, Evan Trumpower and Cannan Wentz

1st Team MOAC: Shelby Keever, Ava Ruhe, Brienne Trumpower, Tiffany Whittaker, Evan Trumpower, Colin Cordrey, Alex Rose, Hunter Petit, Logan Bernat, Duncan McLean, Alex Matthes and Evan Ruhe

All-District: Brienne Trumpower, Ava Ruhe, Shelby Keever, Tiffany Whittaker, Colin Cordrey, Evan Trumpower, Alex Rose and Hunter Petit

All- Ohio Swim: Brienne Trumpower, Ava Ruhe, Shelby Keever, Tiffany Whittaker, Evan Trumpower, Colin Cordrey, Alex Rose and Hunter Petit

All-Ohio Academic: Ava Ruhe, Shelby Keever and Evan Trumpower

All-American Academic: Shelby Keever and Evan Trumpower

## April recognized as National Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. This month and throughout the year, Richland County Children Services (RCCS) encourages all individuals and organizations to play a role in making our community a better place for children and families. By ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills, and resources they need to care for their children, we can help promote the social and emotional well-being of children and youth and prevent child maltreatment within families in our community.

To help spread awareness for child abuse prevention, Richland County Children Services (RCCS) is inviting individuals, churches, organizations, businesses and schools to tie a blue ribbon on their door, mailbox, or car antenna during the month of April.

The blue ribbon is the international symbol for child abuse prevention. It serves as a reminder that all of us have a responsibility in helping protect children.

In support of this effort, downtown Mansfield is going "blue" in April. The city is tying blue ribbons around lamp posts, and the downtown gazebo in Central Park will be lit with blue lights in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

This year's theme for Richland County Children Services is "Making a Difference Together." The most important thing we can do to help children thrive is to support families before they reach a crisis.

"Each year, we educate and raise awareness about the impact child abuse has on children and society. Providing information about comprehensive best-practices that are known to build parental capacity through protective factors is key in helping families become more resilient. To make child abuse less likely to occur, we need to invest in our community and our families," said Brigitte Coles, RCCS Community Engagement Specialist.

Protective factors are the strengths and resources families draw on during difficult times to shield them from life's stresses. Research shows that when parents possess protective factors, the risk for neglect and abuse diminish and optimal outcomes for children, youth, and families are promoted.

Major protective factors include knowledge of parenting, knowledge of child development, parental resilience, social connections, and concrete supports.

National Child Abuse Prevention Month is more than just raising awareness about the reality of child maltreatment. It's about taking action to reduce it. RCCS is helping to reduce abuse and neglect by providing our families with the support they need. There are certain issues such as a family's neighborhood, income level, or other societal factors that can make parenting more challenging. By reducing these vulnerabilities through strengths-based approaches that truly support families, we can begin to mitigate child maltreatment and improve the outcomes of children, youth, and families.

RCCS is marking National Child Abuse Prevention Month with several activities:

The Child Abuse Prevention Month Kick Off will be held at the Richland County Courthouse, 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, in the Commissioners Board Room, on Thursday, March 31, at 9:30 am. The Richland County Commissioners will present a Proclamation in observance of April being National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Proclamations will also be issued by the cities of Mansfield, Ontario,

Shelby, and villages of Bellville, Butler, Lexington, Lucas, Plymouth and Shiloh.

Blue ribbons will be on display in downtown Mansfield for Child Abuse Prevention Month courtesy of RCCS, the city of Mansfield, the Mansfield United Lions Club and Tara's Floral. The community can participate by displaying blue ribbons on a tree, door, fence, on a vehicle or mailbox. The blue ribbon is the international symbol for child abuse prevention. Participants can take pictures of their blue ribbons/blue ribbon trees and send them via email to Brigitte.Coles@jfs.ohio.gov for publication on the agency's website and Facebook page.

Fun Family Night will be held at the Mansfield Carrousel, April 1, from 4-8 pm. Join Richland County Children Services for an evening of fun at the Mansfield Carrousel as part of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Enjoy free rides, blue ribbon cookies, treats and more courtesy of Richland County Children Services.

An Easter Drive-Thru Celebration will be held April 2, from 1-3 pm. Mansfield Parks & Recreation, RCCS and community partners will host an Easter Drive-Thru Celebration at South Park, 100 Brinkerhoff Ave. Families are invited to come out and see the Easter Bunny. Each child in attendance will receive an Easter bag, small toys and treats. Participants will be required to stay in their vehicles during their visit.

Wear Blue Day will be Wednesday, April 13. Wear Blue Day is an annual statewide event to spread awareness on the important issues of child abuse, neglect and dependency. On this day local businesses, offices, schools, agencies, factories, retail outlets and media partners are asked to Wear Blue to show unity against child abuse and neglect. Participants can take pictures of themselves, their group, classmates or co-workers wearing blue and send them via email to Brigitte.Coles@jfs.ohio.gov for publication on the agency's website and Facebook page.

Free Blue-Ribbon Cookie -Wear Blue Day is scheduled for April 13 at Buckeye Bakery. RCCS has teamed up with Buckeye Bakery to give the first 150 customers wearing blue a free cookie in support of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The Central Park Gazebo in Mansfield will be lit blue, April 1-30 in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

For more information about child abuse prevention programs and activities go to [richlandcountychildrensenservices.org](http://richlandcountychildrensenservices.org). Call the Richland County Children Services 24-hour child abuse hotline at 419-774-4100 to report child abuse and neglect.



A TREE is decorated in recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

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# Communnity joins together for City of Ashland Saint Patrick's Day Walking Parade

Photos and Article By Traci Little

Kilts, bagpipes, and a green river were all things you could see at Ashland's first annual St. Patrick's Day Walking parade. The balmy 75 degree weather was pleasant and refreshing. The parade started at Corner Park and ended at Foundation Plaza on E. Main St. at 5 pm on March 17.

Everyone was decked out in their favorite green attire. A mother, Haley Kamenik, enjoyed watching the parade with her sweet 9 month old, Ruby. Ruby was wearing a matching clover dress and leg warmers. If there was a fashion show, she would get my vote for sure.

Mayor of Ashland Matt Miller waved at the crown dressed up in his top hat, bowtie, and plaid pants. At noon on March 17, Center Run, the creek that runs through the town of Ashland, was turned green. Everyone was fascinated with this fun touch of the Irish. Celtic music played throughout the speakers and each pole was lined with colorful balloons, updated spring banners, and a St. Patrick's themed flag.

What a quaint, hometown feel the city of Ashland portrays. Crowds of kids, parents and grandparents lined the streets to watch the parade full of bagpipes, stilt walkers, animals, juggling, unicycles, candy throwing and more! I can't wait to see what festivities they come up with for next year!





MRS. RHODES' culinary class at Ontario High School made zucchini bread.



Grandma Baumberger's Zucchini Bread

Mix 3 eggs, 1 cup oil, 2 cups sugar, 2 Tbsp. vanilla. Mix 3 cups flour, 2 tsp. baking soda, 1 tsp. baking powder, 1 tsp. salt, 1 Tbsp. cinnamon and add to wet ingredients. Mix well. Add 2 cups shredded zucchini (if frozen, thaw and drain well). Pour into two greased bread pans. (You can also line with parchment). Bake 350 for 50-60 minutes or until knife comes out clean.

This recipe in Memory of Evelyn Baumberger

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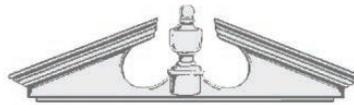
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March 25, '04



Submitted Photo

**STINGEL STUDENTS SUPPORT HUMAN SOCIETY** – Against Animal Cruelty (AAC), a service group founded by five fifth grade girls from Ontario Stingel Elementary School, held a bake sale at Hawkins Market this past Saturday. Their goal was to raise \$200 for the Richland County Humane Society. At the end of the day, the girls had collected \$500 toward these efforts. AAC is a group committed to finding good homes for sheltered animals throughout Richland County and is not affiliated with Ontario Schools. Earlier efforts by the group have resulted in collecting animal toys, food and other necessities for the Humane Society. Pictured from the left are Justine Plieninger, Justine Shaum, Kristen Moyer, Tirani Simones and Hilary Grube.



T-C Staff/Bud Motter

**ONTARIO** held its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 19 at Marshall Park. The cold temperatures didn't stop Jocelyn Allen, 17 months, as she finds her first egg.

March 24, '16

**District Champs** — Lexington Senior High School's Minutemen proudly display their trophy and nets, results of the Minutemen's district final win over Willard Saturday in the Mari-on Coliseum. The Minutemen are now in the "Sweet Sixteen" of Ohio Class AA Schools, Left to right, kneeling, are manager Paul Owens and Steve Koroknay, Art Moore, Chuck Lew, Dave Cochran, Dan Cochran, Bob Heston and manager and trainer Rick Welch. In the second row, left to right, John Cochran, Terry McCammon, Coach John Barr, Jim Zirkle, Gary Paxton, Sid Young, Doug Griebing, Bernie Davis, Assistant Coach Robert Carter, Dave Shaffer, Dave Clever, Minuteman" Tom Welch and Lexington School Superintendent Howard Hofacre.

March 13, '64



# CLASSIFIEDS

## OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### LEGAL NOTICE

In the Matter of the Adoption of Emma Rae Dible; Case Number: 20225006; Richland County Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division

Darrell Owens, Jr. whose last known address is unknown, is hereby notified that on the 10th, day of February, 2022 a petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Richland County, Ohio, 50 Park Ave. East, Mansfield, OH 44902, being Case No: 20225006 for the adoption of Emma Ray Owens and alleging that your consent as parent of said child is not necessary because you have failed without justifiable cause to provide more than de minimis contact with minor or to provide for maintenance and support of said minor as required by law or judicial decree for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner. A consent hearing will be held on the 20th, day of April, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. and the best interest hearing will be had on the 31st day of May, 2022 at 10:00 AM before the Judge of said Court at 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE PETITION WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS AFTER THE PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING IS GIVEN TO YOU. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST ALSO APPEAR AT THE HEARING AS SET OUT ABOVE.

A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION MAY BE ENTRED IF YOU FAIL TO TIMELY FILE AN OBJECTION AND/OR APPEAR AT THE HEARING.

Kelly L. Badnell  
Judge, Court of Common Pleas  
Probate Division, Richland County, OH  
(T-C 3-10, 17, 24 '22)

### 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, April 20, 2022, at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 North Stumbo

Road, upon two proposals submitted by Menards:

1. Rezone parcel #0386015212006, on Walker Lake Road from Office Service to Business.

2. Amend Section 1137.05(c) Business District Conditionally Permitted Uses: Mini-warehouses.

The Planning Commission does not recommend these proposals. All persons interested in this issue are invited to attend and express their views.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-24, 31 '22) L

### ONTARIO POLICE DISPATCHER LATERAL ENTRY EXAMINATION

The City of Ontario will conduct a Lateral Entry Examination for the position Police Dispatcher. The examination will begin with an Oral Board Interview which will be scheduled once all the applications are received by Civil Service.

Candidates must be U.S. citizens and present a valid driver's license at the time of the Interview. Candidates will be subject to psychological, polygraph, drug and alcohol screening along with a comprehensive background check. Must be at least 21 years of age, must be currently employed as a Police Dispatcher with a minimum of 1 year of service and possess a high school diploma or GED equivalence. Pay ranges between \$22.97 - \$24.08 dependent on exact prior years of service.

The City of Ontario is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on any basis prohibited by law including military status. However, if you are applying for a civil service examination and elect to claim military service credit either as an honorably discharged veteran or as a member of the National Guard or a Reserve component as provided in R.C. 124.23, then please attach a copy of your honorable discharge from active duty, DD 214 or other proof of eligibility for this credit.

Applications will be available at the **Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, beginning March 17, 2022, at the Police Department window or online at www.ontpd.com** Those with questions may call the Division of Police at 419-529-2115.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-24, 31 '22) 47L

### ONTARIO FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER

The City of Ontario, Division of Police is currently hiring for the position of full-time Police Officer. The selection process will utilize a Later-

al Entry hiring process to establish an eligibility list for hire. The selection process will begin with the screening of applicants to ensure they have met the minimum qualifications through the Civil Service Board. Applicants will then continue in the process and will undergo a scored interview(s). The **Minimum** qualifications to apply are:

1. Candidates must be a commissioned Ohio Peace Officer with at least **one year of full-time experience** as a Peace Officer.

2. Candidates must also be at least 21 years of age; have a High School Diploma or GED; and must possess a valid Ohio Driver's License.

Prior to appointment, candidates must submit and successfully pass a background investigation, truth verification test, drug screen, a physical and psychological examination. The current starting salary range for this position is **\$27.17 to \$32.86** with extra income possibilities of overtime and paid details. The City of Ontario offers an excellent benefit package. Lateral Transfers will start one step lower than their current pay step, if currently employed as a full-time law enforcement officer and will be brought to their current pay step after 6 months.

More information at [www.ontpd.com](http://www.ontpd.com)

Application packets may be obtained at the Ontario Police Communications Center located at 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, OH 44906 or online at [www.ontpd.com](http://www.ontpd.com) beginning **03/17/22 at 2:00 p.m.** Applications must be submitted in person at the Ontario Police Communications Center and may include a cover letter, resume, educational background, and specific training documentation relating to employment as a police officer.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-24, 31 '22) 56L

### LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on March 16, 2022.

The complete text of these Ordinances may be viewed and copies obtained at the Office of the Clerk of Council, Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, during regular business hours.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-17 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO, OHIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2022 AND EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2022, AS AMENDED.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-19 – AN ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE CITY'S 2021 STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-20 – AN ORDI-

NANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CHAPTER 938 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO ILLICIT DISCHARGE AND CONNECTION STORMWATER REGULATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-21 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CHAPTER 1353 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-22 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CHAPTER 937 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO STORM WATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-23 – AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE CHAPTER 1354 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ONTARIO RIPARIAN AND WETLAND SETBACKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker  
Clerk of Council  
City of Ontario, Ohio  
(T-C 3-24, 31 '22) 58L

## Park Meadows Senior Apartments HELP NEEDED

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