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SCHOLARSHIP FUND — North Central State College President Dr. Dorey Diab, Bob Brown (son of First Generation-to-College Fund creator Emily Brown), OSU Mansfield Director of Development and Community Relations Cindy Wood and Richland County Foundation President Brady Groves gather to celebrate five scholarships being awarded this year to Richland County first generation college students.

Scholarship fund helps first generation college students

Photo and Article By Traci Little

The youth of Richland County are benefiting today largely due to the legacy of Emily Campbell Brown and Dr. Charles Gaily Brown. Shortly before Emily Campbell Brown's passing in 2009, she created the First-Generation-to-College Scholarship Fund at the Richland County Foundation, under its backing. This foundation receives the funds, invests them and chooses the scholarship winners.

The Emily Campbell Brown and Dr. Charles Gaily Brown First-Generation-to-College Scholarship Fund has awarded 69 scholarships totaling more than \$70,000 since 2009. These scholarships are awarded to students who have parents that did not earn a two or four-year college degree.

For students with limited financial resources, staying in school is often more of a challenge than starting school – so the Brown fund prioritizes funding upperclassmen in good standing on a path to completion of the degree. This year, five such scholarships focused on helping individuals from Richland County continue toward their degree. They were awarded an average of \$2,000 each. Emily made it clear from the fund's creation that the student's need be a primary factor when considering applicants.

A check was presented from Ohio State University Mansfield and North Central State College at the Richland County Foundation on Thursday, Oct. 20. Brady Groves, President of the Richland County Foundation, opened with these remarks,

"We're excited to partner with different donors and organizations. We love to provide opportunities to these local students, through the investments being made by Ohio State University Mansfield and North Central State College. We've been involved with the Brown Family since the inception of their scholarship."

One of Emily's three sons who helps to maintain the fund in his late parents' honor, Bob Brown, said, "It has been a decade since my mom established the scholarship fund. Our family has always believed in education and higher education. My dad was a physician, and my mom grew up in the south, rural Georgia to be exact. Her parents raised seven children, six of them being girls."

"They sent all six girls to college, and they all graduated. In the 1920s and 30s, this was rare. They have valued education, helped to enrich lives, and opened vocational opportunities to others over the years. I'm grateful for the response this community has had to this scholarship fund. We're so thankful to local college institutions (OSU and NCSC) who have embraced this scholarship. These students are likely to go to college locally because it is the first time

anyone in their family has had to go to college. We're terrifically grateful to these colleges."

"My father's great grandfather, Reverend Richard Gaily, was an Irish immigrant that settled in Richland County. He established a school in Lexington called Lexington Seminary. It educated boys and girls. Later, his great grandson, my dad, served on the Mansfield School Board. Education has been something that our family has valued and benefited from and continues to endeavor to make education available to others."

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Donors needed to maintain supply

The American Red Cross urges blood donors of all types to book a time to give blood or platelets now and help keep the blood supply from dropping ahead of the holidays.

People of all blood types are needed, especially platelet donors and those with type O blood – blood products that are critical to keeping hospitals ready to help patients depending on transfusions in the weeks ahead.

Book now by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting Red-CrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). As a thank-you, all who come to give Nov.1-22 will receive a \$10 e-gift card by email to a merchant of choice.

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 10 am to 4 pm, OSU Mansfield/NC State, Eisenhower Center, 1760 University Dr., Mansfield; noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario; and 8 am to 1 pm, Shelby YMCA, 111 W. Smiley Rd., Shelby

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2-7 pm, Lucas High School, 5 First Ave., Lucas
Saturday, Nov. 5, 9 am to 2 pm, Shelby Police Department, 31 Mack Ave., Shelby

Wednesday, Nov. 9, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, Nov. 10, noon to 6 pm, Mosaic at Park Avenue Baptist Church, 296 Park Ave West, Mansfield

Tuesday, Nov. 15, noon to 5 pm, Berean Baptist, 2145 Middle Bellville Rd., Mansfield

THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER
— By Ian Stumbo —

The DC comic universe has returned with Dwayne Johnson starring in *Black Adam*.

Set in the country of Kahndaq, a young man is bestowed other worldly powers and then sent away as quickly as he received them. He is resurrected by a woman and her son, setting out to unleash his powers on the world.

The character of Black Adam is interesting and Johnson gives a really good performance.

The movie was originally rated R and was trimmed back to PG-13. It shows, as this movie seemed more overtly violent than others in this universe, though it still works.

The best parts of this movie come from the middle section when members of the Justice Society are summoned by Amanda Waller (Viola Davis) to take out Black Adam. The members include Hawkman (Aldis Hodge), Atom Smasher (Noah Centineo), Cyclone (Quintessa Swindell) and Doctor Fate (Pierce Brosnan). Brosnan gives the best performance in the movie and is perfectly cast as this hero who can see into the future.

This movie also features Sarah Shahi and her son as the hu-

man and relatable characters of the movie. *Black Adam* features some great fight scenes and special effects. The downturn of the movie comes at the bookends. The beginning takes about a half hour to even introduce Johnson and seems to be going in different directions.



The end of the movie with the villain Sabbac happens really fast and abruptly. Then the film does what a bunch of these superhero movies do — throw in a ton of special effects at the end — and it ruins some of the story and pacing.

Black Adam is a decent and pretty good entry in the DC universe which has really struggled to find a foothold against the Marvel juggernaut.

Dwayne Johnson gives a more measured performance and is quite good in the lead role and the members of the Justice Society do a fine job, especially Brosnan. This movie would almost be recommended if the beginning and end wouldn't have been so shaky. There is a great deal of fun to be had though.



RPH will be closed Friday, October 28

Richland Public Health will be closed from 8 am to 4 pm on Oct. 28, for a scheduled staff in-service day.

For more information about Richland Public Health events or services, visit www.richlandhealth.org, the Richland Public Health Facebook page, or call 419-774-4500.

Oh no, Not Politics!

By Bob Carter

The political parties of today spend millions on advertising to sway voters to elect their candidates and gain power over the nasty other bunch. It's a never ending struggle so it seems.

Television is the present battleground. Back in 1880 it was with flags and speakers. Such it was in the fall of 1880 in Lexington.

Mansfield's two newspapers had to rely on local correspondents to report local news which then went into print. Al Moore covered news in Lexington for the *Mansfield Heard* which was a republican paper. *The Mansfield Shield and Banner* covered the democrats.

The political news from both papers was always slanted. Moore was a master of bias reporting. He was a republican after all, and did his best to support his party. In the fall of 1880 this was reported from Lexington:

"At 5 pm there was a poplar pole erected on the northwest side of the town square, on which was placed on the upmost top a beautiful streamer thirteen feet in length with the inscription "Garfield and Arthur" which was presented by the ladies of the town, elevated to a distance of some eighty feet in length, which will wave until the wind and storms shall rent it from its place."

Then followed a campaign gathering. A large bunch of horsemen from Lexington and Ontario, led by a band, escorted the speaker, Col. Cooper of Mt. Vernon, from the railroad station to the town square. He only talked for an hour and fifteen minutes, but had to quit early so he 8 o'clock train back home. The horsemen and bands marched the speaker down the hill to the station where they met 50 more horsemen from Mansfield. Then the horsemen and band, with most of the crowd on foot, marched the half-mile long parade through the streets.

In Moore's view it was a grand republican success. Most horsemen and citizens wore campaign ribbons.

Then there was another great political event he reported with another lop-sided column. It was the democrats. They didn't just lie down and take this. They had their own big rally with speakers and raised two banners in the park on poles just as high. They too paraded with band and horsemen. As Al Moore dryly reported:

"They made great preparations for this wonderful event (with their mouths) for some days and decorations were such as a windy democrat could be proud of. There were three houses on Frederick Street decorated with ten flags, two saloons, one shoe shop and one barber shop with flags out, and not one on Delaware St."

"The procession in the evening consisted of a marshal band and about twenty men and boys carrying torches and was 32 1/4 seconds passing at any given point. They could have 10 seconds better time but one of their musicians was afflicted with rheumatism brought on by hard work (he is now expecting a pension)."

The republicans did well in 1880. Garfield was an Ohio boy, and to celebrate they erected another pole and flag on the town square (they only had one, the democrats had two) and paraded with band and horsemen.

Moore reported some young democrats were yelling and whooping interrupting the speakers. Perhaps enough was enough. Moore later suggested the poles be cut down and cut up for fire wood for the ministers.

No party ever really dominated Lexington. It has see-sawed back and forth to this day. The 1880 election was always memorable though. So was correspondent Al Moore.

As for President Garfield, he was shot by an assassin four months into his term and died 79 days later.

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News Briefs

First Congregational Church, 640 Millsboro Rd. Mansfield, will host a holiday bazaar on Monday, Nov. 7 and Tuesday, Nov. 8, from 9 am to 3 pm. Tuesday is half-price day.

The event will offer lightly used Santas, snowmen, angels, stockings, wreaths, greens, bulbs, trees, centerpieces holiday clothing, Thanksgiving items and more. Vintage items will also be available.

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First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Avenue West, will offer non-perishable senior food boxes each fourth Tuesday, monthly.

The Greater Cleveland Food Bank has a senior box program available to anyone 60+ who is low income. Participants will receive a 30 lb. box of non-perishable food items. Those receiving boxes will need a current ID with date of birth and evidence of monthly or annual income. Registration and distribution are from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on the east side of the building. There is no cost for this food.

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St. John's United Church of Christ will host a rummage sale Friday, Oct. 28, 9-6 and Saturday, Oct. 29, 9-3. There will be many items and a snack bar will be available by donation.

The church is located at 68 Park Ave East, Mansfield, (Next to the Richland County Courthouse). Shoppers are asked to use the Parish Hall Entrance off Franklin St. There is a large parking lot on the side of the church. Proceeds will go to the church's restoration project.

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City of Ontario Zoning Inspector Michael Morton has released the September 2022 zoning report. Permits were issued to McEwen, Rosewood Ct., above ground pool; Harper, Red Maple Ln., new home; Cove Coffee Shop, Shelby Ontario Rd., walk-in cooler; Sheets, Park Avenue West, detached garage; and Harmon, Randallwood Dr., detached garage.

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Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd., will host "Kirkin' O the Tartan" for Reformation Sunday, Oct. 30 at 10 am. There will be children's activities, Scottish highland games such as caber tossing and sheaf throwing and archery. A "Kirkin' O the Tartan" is a traditional Scottish Presbyterian Worship Service. The College of Wooster Pipe and Drum band will play a short concert beginning at 9:30 am.

At the close of the service, there will be a moment considered for a "Blessing of the Tartans." Following the service, will be a "Scottish Tea." Everyone is welcome to attend and can wear a family tartan and kilt, if preferred. For information call 419-756-7066.

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A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Oct. 29 and 30. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, broken down cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

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The Richland County Republican Party Victory Center is open for yard signs, slate cards and candidate literature. The center is located at 1680 Nussbaum Parkway, Ontario, and is open Tuesdays and

Thursdays 12-6 pm and Saturdays 10 am to 1 pm.

The next First Monday Luncheon will be Monday, Nov. 7, from 11:45 am to 1 pm in the Kobacker Room, DLX Events and Catering, 28 N. Main St., Mansfield. The speaker will be Greg Lawson from the Buckeye Institute. RSVP to 419-528-8223 or rcohgop@gmail.com. Optional lunches are \$10.

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Holiday assistance is available through The Salvation Army, 47 S. Main St., Mansfield. Registration is being taken for a Thanksgiving food box, Angel Tree (children 12 and under) and Adopt-A-Family programs.

Sign up dates are Nov. 1-3 from 9:30 am to noon and 12:30-2:30 pm. A photo ID is required for the adult signing up as well as proof of address for all adults in the home and birth certificates for eligible children in the home or another form to prove birthdates of children.

Anyone that has signed up for Christmas programs at another agency will not be eligible. For information call 419-525-2912.

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First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, will celebrate Reformation Sunday on Oct. 30, at 10 am. Following worship, everyone is invited to join together in the Undercroft for a pot luck lunch featuring various kinds of chili.

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A senior citizen luncheon will be held in Madison Comprehensive High School's Ramble Inn, 600 Esley Ln., on Thursday, Nov. 3, at 12:30 pm. The cost is \$4.25 per lunch. RSVP to 419-589-2600, ext. 65001.

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The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at Der Dutchman Restaurant. Lunch begins at 11:30 am, followed by the meeting at 12:30 pm. The meal on Nov. 16, will be roast turkey and the Pioneer Career Technology Center Performing Arts Program will perform. Cost is \$13 for the meal. Dues are \$10 per year. Guests are welcome. For information visit www.lexasc.org.

The group will also meet Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 11:30 am at Cheddar's, 979 Lex-Springmill Rd., Ontario.

Christmas Gathered Treasures Show Saturday, Nov. 5 • 10 am to 3 pm

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Oakland Inn returns to 1846

As the first locomotive steams into Mansfield, and the United States welcomes its 30th state, the Oakland Inn offers a dinner theater of historic proportions — 1846.

Located at Oakland Lutheran Church, 2045 Olivesburg Rd. at Crall, three miles north of the Reformatory, 1846 is the next in a series of small audience meal events that was first offered in 2005.

Remaining performances are Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 5–6, 6:30 pm. Tickets are \$28 and can be purchased on Eventbrite.com, search 1846 Dinner.

All proceeds benefit Oakland's discretionary fund for meeting local needs. Expenses are defrayed by grants through Thrivent Financial.

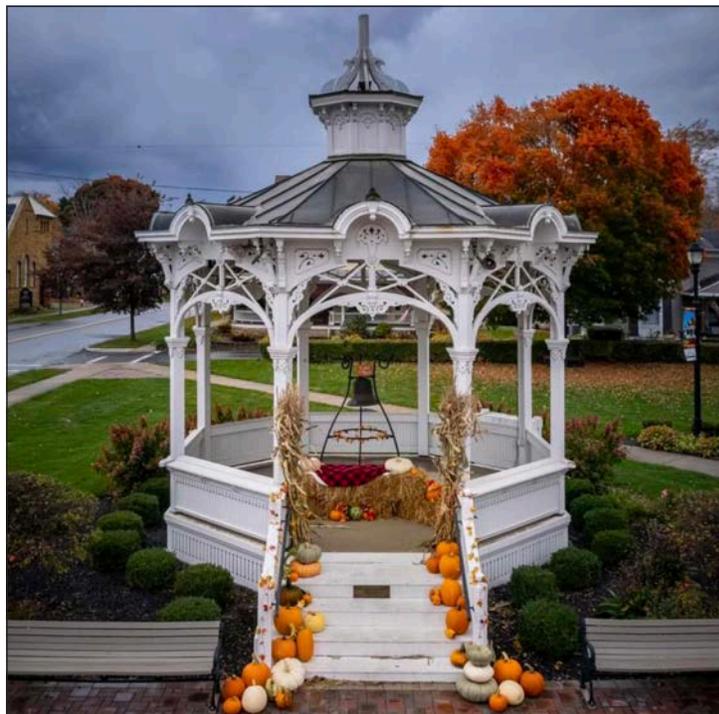
Only 34 tickets are available for each show, due to the size of the space; the meal is a hearty one of beef, chicken, cornbread, cabbage, potatoes, cheese and apple crisp, all dishes popular at the time.

Although Mansfield in 1846 was still a village of less than 2,000, all of Richland County was populated by farm families working the soil. The arrival of the railroad would provide access to materials coming in and good going out, quickly increasing Mansfield's population and the opportunities of manufacturing in the area.

Music of the day, stories of local notables — Bartley, Appleaseed, Blymyer and Cook — and items of national interest will pepper the meal in between courses, with Lintern as Jacob Zeiters, innkeeper, and several pioneer servers, each with their own story.

Courtney Collins, coordinator of the meals prepared behind the scenes, says the event nourishes more than the stomach.

This fall will mark more than 50 such performances at "The Oakland Inn."



Bellville • Photo By Mark Shutt

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clear Fork Alliance Church

1008 State Route 97, Bellville
419-886-4333 • www.clearforkalliance.org
Rev. Matt Merendino
Rev. Mike Stine, Associate Pastor
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship
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
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
Minister Dean Jackson
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10:30 am Sunday Worship
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Ontario Christian Church

1029 Lewis Rd., Ontario
419-529-5684 • ontariochristian.org
Minister Steve Broughton
9 am Sunday School
10 am Sunday Worship

Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West, Ontario
419-529-4345 • 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/
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
2 pm Wednesday Bible Study
9 am Men's Breakfast 2nd & 4th Sunday



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419-529-2747

Risen Savior Lutheran Church

1685 Lexington Ave., Mansfield
419-775-1175 • 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
Father Matthew Frisbee
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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
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
Pastor Jonathan Stufft
10:45 am Sunday Worship
10:15 am Monday Bible Study
Email: secretary@sttimmansfield.org

Trinity United Methodist Church

1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area)
419-589-5890 • trinityumcmansfield.org
Pastor Paul Turner
9:30 am Sunday Worship

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Memorial Arrangements

Michael Cecil "Buzz" Flynn

BELLVILLE: Michael Cecil "Buzz" Flynn, loving father of Bryan Michael Flynn, passed away at home Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022.

Mike graduated from Clear Fork High School in 1979 after attending two years at the Knox County Career Center and earning his certificate in machine trades. He was a licensed professional heavy equipment driver and most recently worked at Lexington Concrete and Supply and previously Mark Ford and Donley Ford as a sales professional.

He was a member of North Bend Church of the Brethren and loved the Lord. He prayed constantly for those he loved, especially his parents, Cecil and Pat Flynn, who preceded him in death.

Mike didn't know a stranger. He was a friend to countless people and loved spending time with them. Mike took pride in his home and property, loved watching football with friends, enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson, and at one time, was an avid hunter and fisherman.

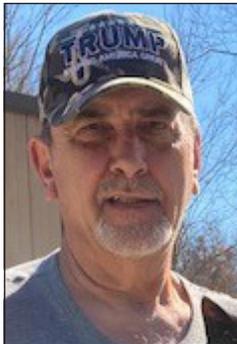
Mike really enjoyed time with all his nieces, nephews, children of friends and neighbors and hosting many gatherings on his homestead. Mike also had a special place in his heart for his animals and pets.

Surviving Mike is his son Bryan Michael Flynn of Bellville, sisters Kimberly Knapp of Bellville, Teresa and Ted Catino of Carmel, IN., brother Donnie Flynn of Bellville, special friend Shelly Blackford of Bellville along with many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and extended family.

There will be a Celebration of Life for family and friends on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022 from noon to 3 pm at the Quality Inn, 1000 Comfort Plaza, Bellville, Ohio 44813. Private burial will be in Bellville Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to 33 Forever, 1 Marion Ave., Suite 215, Mansfield, Ohio 44903.

Visit snyderfuneralhomes.com to leave a message for the family.



Bernice "Bea" Friend

MANSFIELD: Bernice "Bea" (Bessler) Friend, 87, passed away at her home after a brief illness on Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022.

Born Dec. 22, 1934, in Cleveland to Wanda (Urbanowicz) Bilski Bessler and Andrew Harold Bilski Bessler, she graduated from Madison High School in 1953 after moving from Cleveland in 1950.

Her first job was at Lumberman's Mutual in 1953 typing and transcribing in the engineering department. Before leaving in 1956, she had advanced to secretary for the department head.

She married Frederick Charles "Chuck" Friend Nov. 26, 1955 in Mansfield.

In 1969, Chuck and Bea purchased property on S. Illinois Ave. and established Friend Engineering and Machine Company where she worked as secretary. The company completed work for customers including Eagle Rubber, National Latex, Faultless Rubber, Garber Company, Procter and Gamble, Ohio Brass, Therm-O-Disc, Tappan and Norwalk Thermostat.

In 1981, the couple bought a farm on Windsor Rd., Mifflin Township, where they lived for 38 years.

The couple retired from the business in 2000, but Bea later returned as secretary for their son, David Friend.

Bea had a love of music all her life and began playing organ in the 1960s. She joined a organ group which met monthly for a meal and music at members' homes.

Her husband Chuck built a wagon for a calliope and he and Charlie Otcasek pulled Bea and her friend, Jean Otcasek, with a tractor or truck as they played during local festivals including the Shelby Bicycle Parade, Lexington Blueberry Parade and Miss Ohio Parade and numerous others for over 14 years.

She was very fond of butterflies and they adorned every room in her home. She enjoyed shopping and attending craft shows. In her later years, she was helped with shopping trips and everyday tasks by her special aids.

She had a large pin collection and had multiple pins for every occasion. She loved to cook, especially desserts and had a special BBQ chicken recipe.

She was a light to everyone she encountered and kindhearted to all.



She loved to visit with her family and always enjoyed having conversation with everyone she met.

She was a member of St. Mary's of the Snows on Ashland Rd., Madison area, for over 70 years.

Surviving are sons David (Deb Catlett) Friend and Richard Friend, all of Mansfield; sister-in-law Pat (Mike) McClure; grandchildren Jenna (Jeremy) Wolford, Taylor (Keylee) Smith, Gwen (Ryan Boyer) Smith, Daniel (Ashlee) Catlett; and great grandchildren Audrey Wolford, Cody Wolford, Lucas Catlett and Natalee Catlett. She is also survived by son-in-law Ron (Stella) Smith, cousin Shirley Freund, nephews Brian Phillips and Jeff Phillips and good friend Jean Otcasek.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Chuck Friend, daughter, Dianne Claire Smith and good friend Charlie Otcasek.

Calling hours will be held at the Ontario Home of Wappner Funeral Directors, 100 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd., Ontario, on Friday, Oct. 28, from 9-11 am with a service at 11 am.

The family would like to extend its gratitude for care and concern to his caregivers and OhioHealthHospice. Words of comfort may be expressed to the family at www.wappner.com

Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Mildred Faye Henderson, Oct. 7
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Wesley Metz, Oct. 14
Roger Eugene Misamore, Oct. 14
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Jeffrey Rhodes, Oct. 16
Maranda Shaw, Oct. 16
Milton Easterday, Oct. 17
Janiece Yosick, Oct. 18
Karen Eichler, Oct. 19
Michael "Mike" E. Lemaster, Oct. 19
Gail Oxendine, Oct. 20
Janice L Stover, Oct. 20
Gizella Kinkel, Oct. 22
Bernice "Bea" Friend, Oct. 23
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Mechanics Bank announces James A. Courtney Award winners

Mechanics Bank has announced Nicki Brindo, Kayla Krauss and Shirley Pew have been awarded the James A. Courtney Award. The Award is presented to Mechanics employees who best exemplify the com-

pany's mission "to pursue excellence in every possible way to enrich the lives of people and the communities we serve."

The award is presented on a peer nomination basis.

Nicki Brindo began her ca-

reer at Mechanics in 2014 as a Customer Service Representative (CSR). Nicki later served as a Senior CSR, Customer Service Specialist (CSS), Senior CSS, CSS Coordinator and Management Trainee prior to her current po-

sition of Branch Manager at the Shelby Office.

Kayla Krauss joined Mechanics in 2015 as a Customer Service Representative. Kayla served as a Customer Service Specialist prior to her current position of Answer Center Specialist. Kayla holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting from the Thomas Edison State University.

Shirley Pew began her career at Mechanics in 1985 as a Customer Service Representative. Shirley served as Coordinator of Staff Development prior to her current position of Assistant Branch Manager at the Lexington Office.

The James A. Courtney Award, named for Mechanics' former President, is the company's most prestigious recognition of performance. Mechanics Bank is Richland County's only independent bank with nine convenient locations in Richland County.



Nicki Brindo



Kayla Krauss



Shirley Pew

Ontario schedules leaf pick-up

The City of Ontario has announced it will be able to provide fall leaf pick-up service again this year. Pick-up began Oct. 24 and will end on, or about, Friday, Nov. 18, weather permitting.

There is not a specified schedule for service to each neighborhood. Workers will try to make a second round, but this is not guaranteed, so leaves should be placed at the edge of the roadway (not in the roadway) as soon as possible.

This service is for leaf pick-up only. Sticks, tree limbs, or other yard debris should not be placed among the leaves.

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Early and absentee voting for general election underway

Absentee and early voting has begun by mail or in-person at the Richland County Board of Elections, 1495 W. Longview Ave., in the lower level classroom.

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

Absentee applications to print to vote by mail are available by going to boe.ohio.gov/richland/ or by calling the office at 419-774-5530 to have a request form mailed.

Early in-person voting schedule:

Monday, Oct. 24, through Friday Oct. 28, 8 am to 5 pm

Saturday, Oct. 29, 8 am to 4 pm

Monday, Oct. 31, through Friday, Nov. 4, 9 am to 7 pm

Saturday, Nov. 5, 8 am to 4 pm

Sunday, Nov. 6, 1 to 5 pm

Monday, Nov. 7, 8 am to 2 pm

Early in-person voting ends at 2 pm on Nov. 7. After 2 pm, voters must vote at their polling place on Election Day Nov. 8.

Voters will be directed to enter the room through one door and exit through another to help with the traffic flow. As a reminder, voters should not wear campaign apparel or engage in political discussions at the early voting site or at the polls on election day.

To see a ballot online visit Voter Information Search at <https://lookup.boe.ohio.gov/vtrapp/richland/vtrlookup.aspx#> and enter last and first name. Click sample ballots.



CITY OF ONTARIO MAYOR RANDY HUTCHINSON issued a Proclamation recognizing Stormwater Awareness Week. Mayor Hutchinson presents the Proclamation to MS4 Technician Dan Herrold.

This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



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This gorgeous one year old is so much fun. When anyone approaches her kennel, she starts

tap dancing with excitement. She is one of the friendliest dogs at the shelter!

Kay also loves sprinting around play yards, running after toys, and being affectionate with any human spending time with her. She is sweet and incredibly lovable and very smart! Kay unfortunately needs to be the only animal in the home.

Kay is available at the Richland County Dog Shelter in Mansfield.

Those interested in meeting any dogs housed at the shelter, the kennels are open 11-4:15 Monday-Friday and 10-2 on Saturday. The shelter is located at 810 N. Home Rd., Mansfield. The shelter uses a lot of bleach, detergent and dog treats and welcomes donations. Volunteers are needed to help walk and play with dogs.

Currently, adoptions are \$150, which includes spay/neuter, microchip, dog license and some vaccines.

McGinnis coming to Galion library

Edgar Award-winning novelist Mindy McGinnis will be speaking and signing books at the Galion Public Library Community Room at 6 pm on Monday, Nov. 7. The event is free and open to the public and sponsored by the Galion Public Library in collaboration with the Friends of the Library.

McGinnis, an Ohio area author, recently collaborated on a book with author James Patterson. She focuses on young adult readers and writes across multiple genres, including post-apocalyptic, historical, thriller, contemporary, mystery and fantasy.

Past star-rated books by the American Library Association, Booklist, Voice of Youth and others include *Heroine*, *The Female of the Species*, *A Madness So Discreet*, and *The Last Laugh*.

Teddy Bear concert is this Saturday

The Renaissance Theatre will host the first of its three Teddy Bear Concerts of the 2022-'23 Mechanics Bank Education Series on Saturday, Oct. 29 at 2:30 pm.

"The Spooky Old House" concert will be held in the community room at the Mansfield/Richland County Public Library's main location, 43 W. Third St., Mansfield. This humorous Halloween story is brought to life by artistic director Michael Thomas in an engaging musical adaptation that features audience participation, interactive storytelling with local actors, and live musicians from the Mansfield Symphony.

With audience members sitting alongside the performers and geared to children ages 2-10, each concert offers an interactive element as well as a relaxed environment. Small audience sizes, lights up, and low sound levels, allow audience members with autism and other sensory-processing disorders to be accommodated at this performance.

Teddy Bear concerts are set up to allow children an up-close experience with symphonic instruments, live acting, and basic musical concepts. Tickets are free for "The Spooky Old House."

For more information, visit <https://rentickets.org/event/the-spooky-old-house-teddy-bear-concer>

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KCCC takes first place at ONLA's Ohio High School Landscape Olympics in Wooster

Knox County Career Center's (KCCC) Landscape Design & Management program won first place at the 7th Annual 2022 Ohio Nursery & Landscape Association's (ONLA) Ohio High School Landscape Olympics (OHLO) at the Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute in Wooster, Ohio.

ONLA's Ohio High School Landscape Olympics tests students' skills through hands-on, competitive events designed by industry professionals. OHLO broadens the High School education experience and introduces students to the many opportunities offered by a career in the green industry.

KCCC's Landscape Design & Management program competed in 15 events against nine other schools, most of them being career tech schools. KCCC is the first school to win back-to-back titles.

"The seniors set a goal to win the title again this year. All of our students put in a lot of hard work for this event. I am really proud of them," said John Campbell, KCCC's Landscape Design & Management instructor.

Campbell added, "I am proud of what they accomplished. The Ohio High School Landscape Olympics is a great event put on by ONLA. It is set up and judged completely by employers and sup-

porters of the Landscape Industry."

OHLO is open to all Ohio High Schools and Career Centers with horticulture programs.

Single teams from all participating schools may compete in all events, or just a few. Competitive events test the student's abilities to interact in a hands-on environment. Events are planned, implemented, and scored by industry sponsors using guidelines generated by ONLA.

"I had a good experience. It was nice getting to talk with the sponsors, employers, and the judges," said A.J. Fonner, senior in Landscape Design & Management.

James Hurlow, senior in Landscape Design & Management, added, "The event was good work experience for a landscape type job. There were a variety of employers there watching us compete. I enjoyed meeting new people and finding out what they do in their program at their school."

Award Winners:

Climbing Skills: Mackenzie Ernsberger (senior) and AJ Fonner (senior), third place

Compact Excavator: Colton Love (senior), first place

Hardscape Installation: AJ Fonner (senior) and James Hurlow (senior), second place

Irrigation: AJ Fonner (senior) and Terry Kovach (senior), first place

Low Voltage Lighting: Isaac Burrell (senior), second place

Maintenance Operation: Logan Dechant (senior) and James Hurlow (senior), first place

Wood Plant Id: John Manning (junior), first place

Sales Presentation: Josie Moore (senior), second place

Skid Steer: Colton Love (senior), second place

Turfgrass: James Hurlow (senior) and Ashton Johnson (senior), first place

Plant Installation: AJ Fonner (senior), James Hurlow (senior) and Nick Jackson (junior), third place



News Briefs in Education

Ethan Peebles and Helen Keeley of Mansfield enrolled at Lehigh University as part of the Class of 2026

The members of the Class of 2026 represent 44 U.S. states and territories, including Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia, and 32 countries, and is also one of the most diverse and competitive classes ever admitted to Lehigh.



Benjamin Miller of Mansfield has been named a Brain Fellow by Baldwin Wallace University's David and Frances Brain Center for Community Engagement. Miller, a graduate of Mansfield Senior High School majoring in middle childhood education, shared the honor with eight other students.

Brain Fellows are student leaders addressing today's most complex and challenging social issues while working to educate and empower the community to take action.



The Ohio State University at Mansfield and North Central State College will host their first Reverse Internship & Co-op Fair on Thursday, Nov. 10, from 3-5 pm on campus.

The Reverse Internship & Co-op Fair flips the typical career fair design - students will host tables at the event. Meet students seeking internships and co-ops and learn more about their skills, accomplishments, and achievements.

This event is free and open to both for-profit businesses and non-profit agencies. The event will focus on students in business, engineering, technology, and marketing/graphic design majors/programs. Registration is free.

For information call 419-755-4786 or email acamak@ncstatecollege.edu.

Area Agency on Aging providing free smoke and carbon monoxide detectors October 28

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. will distribute free smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to residents of Richland County that are age 60 and older at a Fire Prevention Month Awareness event on Friday, Oct. 28, from 12-2 pm at Hawkins Corner, 2131 Park Avenue West, Door 300, in Ontario.

Area Agency on Aging staff and representatives from Richland County fire departments will be on-site to provide fire prevention resources and installation information.

Refreshments will be served. Registration is not required, but those receiving items must bring a form of I.D. to show proof of Richland County residency. This event and complimentary smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are funded by the Richland County Senior Services Levy. For information call 567-247-6487.

Pioneer programs receive numerous donations

The Pioneer Board of Education met Oct. 17 and accepted grants including Carl D. Perkins, \$316,219.06; HSTW, \$4,000; Public School Preschool, \$96,000; Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund (GEER), \$4,320.76; and GEER II, \$235,288.

The board approved revisions to policy and received donations in memory of Ron Eddleblute, Industrial Diesel Alumnus. Donations included \$100 from Ken Berger of Mansfield; Jeff and Laura Burrell, Shiloh, \$50; Donald Clark, Galion, \$50; Robert and Linda Eyerly, Ontario, \$50; Ronald and Brenda Eyerly, \$100; Thomas and Jennifer Fenton of Mansfield, \$50, Tracy and Patty Fleming of Ontario, \$75; Brian and Michelle Gates, \$50; Matthew and Kristine Geer, Stingel first grade staff, \$90; Deborah Grove, Ontario, \$50; Donald and Joan Hipsher, Ontario, \$200; Lampert Fam Live Trust, Douglas Lampert, Johnstown, \$50; Dee Mosier, Munice IN, \$25; Jeanette Ohl, Crestline, \$50; Ontario High School Boosters Club, Ontario, \$50; Ronald and Alice Seifley, Mansfield, \$25; Donald and Vicky Varvel, Mansfield, \$50; and Doris Will, Shelby, \$50.

Donations accepted for the Pioneer Penguin fund will be used to help students in need during the holidays. Donations were given by Karen Donahue, \$50; Julie Eldridge, \$100; Crystal Escalera, \$50; Anne Kurtzman, \$35; Don and Melissa Paullin, \$50; Kathy Sabourin, \$30; Justin Tuttle, \$50; and Nita Walsh, \$50.

Greg Dodge, Shelby, donated construction tools with an approximate value of \$180 consisting of four pairs of safety glasses, six all-purpose paint brushes, two magnetic pickup lights, two universal socket sets, one Craftsman stud finder and one GFI receptacle tester. These items will be used by the students in the Construction Trades programs.

Karl Milliron, Milliron Auto Parts, Mansfield, donated 12 hood panels valued at \$504. This donation will be used for student projects in the Collision Repair Career Tech Program.

Mr. & Mrs. Bob Turner, Shelby; generous donation of several dress clothing items with an approximate value of \$500. These items will be used in our Sharing Closet for student use.

The Village of Crestline donated \$400 for performances at the Crestline Harvest Festival by students from the Performing Arts Program. This donation will be used for educational supplies for the Performing Arts program.

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

The board approved student participation in competitive events including the FCCLA Fall Leadership Training at Heartland Conference Retreat Center, Oct. 10-11, 2022, Marengo, for students Nevaeh Chucci, Kylie Kelly, Laura Quail, Jaelyn Tesso and Ariaeh Zellner and chaperone Kris Bruce, FCS Instructor/FCCLA Advisor.

Attending the National FFA Convention, Oct. 26-29, 2022, in Indianapolis, IN, will be Colonel Crawford FFA students Bobby Collins, Dustyn Estep, Antonio Restelli, Hunter Church, Grayson, Putman, Alaina Stone, Brevin Shaffer, Trent Gallaway, Kevin Wilburn, Maddie Boyer, Logan Bright, Elisabeth Rollison, Jordan Tedrow, Zac Janeczek, Hadley Williams and JT Fogerty with chaperones Joshua Schieber, Ag Science Instructor/FFA Advisor and Belinda Boyer, parent/FFA Alumni; Lucas High School FFA students Bobby Collins, Dustyn Estep, Antonio Restelli, Hunter Church, Grayson Putman, Alaina Stone, Brevin Shaffer, Trent Gallaway, Kevin Wilburn, Maddie Boyer, Logan Bright, Elisabeth Rollison, Jordan Tedrow, Zac Janeczek, Hadley Williams and JT Fogarty with chaperones Matt Dotson, AG Instructor/FFA Advisor and Belinda Boyer, parent; and Wynford FFA students Addison Lust, Seth Pope, Mallorie Williams, Wesley Houpt, Nate Schiefer, Marty Schuster, Colton Worden, Jaxon Vance, Evan Wolfe, Levi Hartschuh, Jacob Wagner, Addison Sebring, Marlie Hosey and Clay Lusk with chaperones Mike Hoffman, Ag Science Instructor/FFA Advisor and Tessa Martin, Ag Science Instructor/FFA Advisor.

Attending the National FCCLA Fall Conference, Nov. 11-13, at the Hvatt Regency Center, Columbus, will be Lucas FCCLA students Issabell Iceman, Alyssa Shay, Emma Hamm, Jalana Lawhun, Madi Krupa, Devyn McGugin, Rebekah Case, Kailyn Caugherty, Katie Reznik and Jacob Gibben with chaperones Maleesa Warner, FCS Instructor/FCCLA Advisor and Barb Neal; and Shelby High School FCCLA students Haylie Gushard, Annabelle Snipes, Maggie Bogner, Maryn Lantz, Kendall Lantz, Olivia Hicks and Grace Garrett with

chaperones Kelly Jung, FCS Instructor/FCCLA Advisor and Lindsay Lantz.

Retirement resignations were accepted from Paul Brown, Collision Repair instructor, effective June 1, 2023; Laurie Easler, counselor, effective July 1, 2023; and Rebecca Nichols, Hospitality instructor, effective Oct. 1, 2023.

The board approved Jordan Studer, FCS Instructor/Bucyrus Satellite, for three dock days on Dec. 15, 16 and 19, 2022.

A supplemental contract was approved for Caleb Alt for maintenance of buses for the 2022-'23 contract year. Stipend contracts for certificated personnel were approved for Google Docs training for Jeni Stewart, Colton Penwell and Amanda Glessner. A HOSA co-advisor contract was approved for Lindsay Neumann.

Tracy Carroll was approved as a PIT Cafeteria/Banquet Worker, effective Sept. 12, 2022.

A mileage allowance was approved for Krystal Winters, marketing coordinator.

Sandy Grau was employed for Adult Education Holiday Wreath and Spring Floral classes.

Employment of a substitute student worker for the Early Childhood Education program was approved.

The board accepted a retirement resignation of Greg Nickoli, superintendent, effective Oct. 31, 2022. The board then adopted Resolution 22-22 for reemployment of Greg Nickoli as superintendent, as a four and 3/4 contract effective Nov. 1, 2022 through July 31, 2027.

The board adopted Resolution 22-23 concerning Reduction in Force for 2022-'23.

The board then entered into executive session to discuss details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for the board of education.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOLS' FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) baked some homemade, pumpkin flavored dog treats for the Humane Society as a service project.

CITY OF ONTARIO'S 3RD ANNUAL HAUNTED HOLLOW TRAIL



Paid internship opportunity available at Richland SWCD

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is accepting applications from current college students for a paid communication intern position beginning Spring semester of 2023.

The intern will assist with photography and videography, graphic design, social media and events. The paid internship is made possible through a grant from the Richland County Foundation Fran and Warren Rupp Fund.

The application deadline is Nov. 10, 2022. Visit <https://richland-swcd.net/get-involved/internships> for more information.

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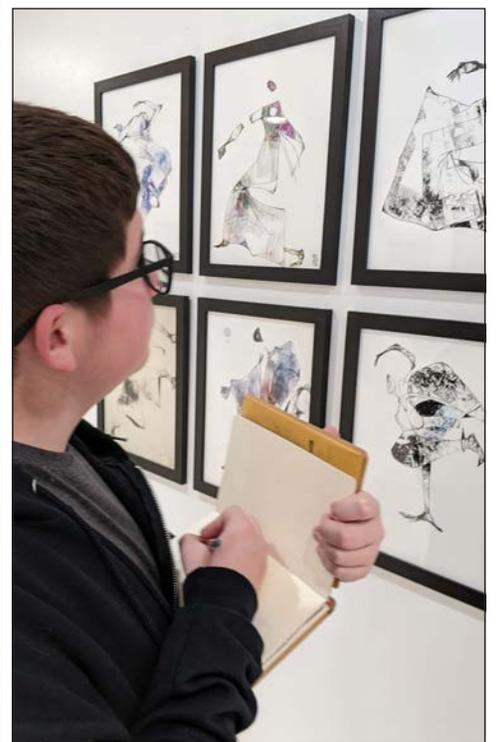
Ontario students visit Mansfield Art Center

Mrs. Garberich's eighth grade art students at Ontario and student teacher, Ben Stafford, visited the Mansfield Art Center to view a photography show and learn about glass. Students were given a guided tour of the photography display and learned about each of the Ohio artists participating in the show.

After reflecting on each of the artist's work, students used their prior knowledge of the Elements of Art and Principles of Design to choose four photos that best represented those elements and principles.

Students then challenged themselves by drawing four art pieces in their journals. After finishing their drawings, students were able to visit the center's new glass studio.

Students were provided a demonstration along with safety instruction guidelines. Each student was able to produce a glass flower with guided instruction. Even Principal Chris Miller was able to join in on the learning activity.





ONTARIO'S FCCLA AND SHELBY'S FCCLA joined forces to raise funds and awareness for breast cancer. Both of the schools participated in the t-shirt/sweatshirt design and sold them to raise money for the American Cancer Association.



EIGHTH GRADE STUDENS in Mrs. Ritchey's Literature classes at Ontario Middle School took a break from annotating their novels to practice their skills in following directions. Students had to read an adventure story and mark specific items on a grid.

Buckeye Bash coming Nov. 21

The 41st annual Ohio State University Alumni Club of Richland County's Beat Michigan Buckeye Bash will be held at the Mansfield Liederkrantz, 1212 Silver Ln., Mansfield, on Monday, Nov. 21. Doors open at 4:45 pm and a meal will be served from 5-6:15 pm.

Past Ohio State football players, including former All-American Chimdi Checkwa, Captain Bryant Browning, and starter Marcus Hall will share memories of Beat Michigan Week.

Other highlights are Buckeye music, live and silent OSU item auctions, \$10 and \$15 goodie bags, Buckeye trivia, a 50/50 drawing and "drop a ticket" activities.

The cost per ticket is \$25 and includes the meal. For tickets, see Judy Villard Overocker at the OSU Extension office, 1495 W. Longview Avenue, Suite 206, Mansfield, or by calling 419-747-8755. Seating can be reserved for groups of eight.

The Buckeye Bash is the major source of income for the OSU Alumni Club's scholarship funds and club outreach. By donating to and/or participating in this fun, community event, Buckeye fans can pay it forward and help support our future "Buckeyes".

Donors of \$250 or more will receive a set amount of complimentary admission tickets and a coordinating amount of meet and greet tickets for the former OSU football players.



SCIENCE CLUB students at Ontario High School began their wetland research behind the school on a nice fall day. Students took water samples to be analyzed for chemical, physical and biological properties and tested using Hach sampling kits for nitrogen and phosphorus. Using their Chromebooks, they attached Vernier sensors to measure dissolved oxygen, pH and temperature. Later, students looked at water samples under the microscope to explore algae and zooplankton.



ONTARIO HIGH SCHOOL students helped to decorate for the City of Ontario's Haunted Trail at Marshall Park, Ontario.

•Scholarship fund helps first generation college students

(Continued from Front Page)

Cindy Wood of OSU Mansfield, said, "It is a great honor to be part of this greater community solution. According to the data, Richland County has a lot of individuals that haven't had the opportunity to go to college. Approximately 40-50% of our student body at OSU Mansfield are first-generation individuals. Cindy's grandmother in 1918 was the first to get a college degree in her family. She went onto say, "on behalf of OSU, we're so honored to be a part of this!"

Dorey Diab of NCSC, said, "Higher education obtainment is the window or door to maintain a good standard of living and quality of life. Jobs like factories, healthcare, engineering are looking for talented and educated individuals. We're meeting the needs of the community when we help send these students to college. I'm personally a first-generation college student. My parents' calling in life was to say, "you're not going to be like us, you're going to get an education and go somewhere with your life." All four of us kids have higher education and have enjoyed the quality of life that the United States has provided us, especially as an immigrant to this country. Thank you to the Browns for this scholarship, and the support that makes higher education accessible in our community. Social and economic prosperity makes our community thrive and prosper."

Five hundred dollars was donated from both OSU Mansfield and North Central State College.

Brown went on to thank these wonderful colleges. "This is where a lot of the scholarship money finds its ways, so thank you for embracing this scholarship and its purposes. You both gave moving personal testimonies of your experiences and why you value the pursuit of higher education."

James Davis Sr, MSW, is the recipient of this year's scholarship. He graduated successfully with a master's degree. He went back to school in his mid-30's with two children in middle school. He and his wife took the plunge and returned to school even with young, growing kids in tow. He has been very involved with the OSU Mansfield campus in various leadership opportunities. He now works as a Life Coach at Family Life Counseling and Psychiatric Services. James also received scholarships in 2019 and 2020.

In order to apply for the scholarship, one needs to fill out the FAS-FA form, have at least a 2.5 high school GPA, and 2.0 for returning students. Grade point average and financial need is evaluated. January 1 is open for those to apply, and the deadline is April 1.

Those who would like to donate to this meaningful scholarship fund, you may donate online at richlandcountyfoundation.org by selecting the Brown Fund from the drop-down box.

Combating domestic violence and crime in Ohio

By State Rep. Marilyn John

According to the Ohio Domestic Violence Network, there were 112 fatalities associated with 72 domestic violence cases in Ohio from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022. In recognizing Domestic Violence Awareness Month, I wanted to highlight that throughout this General Assembly, my colleagues and I have taken decisive action to focus on the issue of domestic violence in hopes of ending the turmoil that unfortunately many families face here in our state.

One bill, known as Aisha's Law, combats domestic violence by expanding domestic protections for victims and giving law enforcement resources to stop abusers. Additionally, it further penalizes acts of domestic violence while also allowing law enforcement to obtain an emergency protection order on behalf of victims when courts are not open. As a cosponsor of the bill, I believe passage is important as it will let law enforcement agencies adopt specified tools and training aimed at countering domestic violence. Aisha's Law has passed the House and currently awaits action in the Senate.

I would also like to highlight House Bill 161, another bipartisan bill passed in the House which requires individuals convicted of domestic violence to be added to the Violent Offender database. It's our hope this will flag for residents and law enforcement alike possible individuals that have a history of domestic violence from repeating these heinous acts.

I have personally introduced my own legislation under House Bill 390 that seeks to protect individuals against crimes of human trafficking. The initiative requires governmental evidence-retention entities to secure and test sexual assault examination kits in relation to an investigation regarding human trafficking – this critical step will help further ensure those who suffer from human trafficking are able to seek proper care and justice.

Outside of those bills and other bills combating domestic violence, we have taken steps to crack down on this crime through allocated funding. Specifically, within the state budget, we provided millions of dollars to support fighting crime, combating domestic violence and supporting victims through law enforcement training, crime reduction and sexual assault investigation grants.

Some of the funding went toward violence against women, in this case, \$17.7 million to support rape crisis programs and another \$7.5 million for domestic violence programs. Moving forward, it's my goal to ensure that we keep working toward funding initiatives supporting families, women and children regarding domestic violence and other crime-related issues and to finalize the passage of several bills that help combat domestic violence across Ohio and here in Richland County.

To seek resources regarding domestic violence visit www.odvn.org, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-7233 or text START to 88788.

Richland SWCD's annual celebration planned for Nov. 3

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) will celebrate the past year and recognize the Cooperator of the Year and the Volunteer of the Year at the Annual Celebration Thursday, Nov. 3.

The celebration will be held at the Lexington Senior Civic Center, 67 E. Main St., in Lexington beginning at 6 pm.

Eligible voters may cast their vote for one board supervisor position from 6–7 pm.

The candidates are Fred Cooke, Nathan Neal, and Mike Temple. Absentee voting is being held from now until noon Nov. 3 at the Richland SWCD office. Election information is available at <https://richlandswcd.net/get-involved/board-supervisors>.

This year's guest speaker is Aaron Wilson from The Ohio State University Extension.

The celebration is open to the public and includes refreshments.

The cost is \$12 per person and reservations are requested by Oct. 27 at <https://bit.ly/3PZrO4v>.

Tribune-Courier Sports Highlights



THE LEXINGTON MINUTEMEN punched their ticket to the regional cross country meet next week in Tiffin placing as District Runner-Up. Lexington was led by Latrell H (4th), Chance B (8th), Joey A (12th), Lincoln R (18th), Gage D (23rd) Alexander H (24th) and Ethan S (31st). Lady Lex brought home the district crown today. Lex was led by Emma W (2nd), Kenley M (4th), Bailey S (6th), Elvana W (9th), Maddie H (13th), Abby M (21st) and Micayla D (30th). Emma Wise was named the OCC Runner of the Year and Brailey Sloneset a new freshman record time of 18:52. Earning 1st Team OCC were Brailey Slone, Elyana Weaver, Kenley Miller, Maddie Haring. Latrell Hughes and Chance Basilone; 2nd Team OCC, Joey Aquino; and 3rd Team OCC, Abby Moeglin and Lincoln Rice.



Photo By Chip Wolfe
LEXINGTON GIRL'S GOLF state qualifiers competed at The Ohio State University Oct. 21 and 22. The girls are coached by Michael Kathrein. The girls were crowned District Runner-Up on their journey to state. Team members are Emily A., Maddy H., Darcie R., Hannah S. and Trynity W.

Lexington Seniors Maddy Hager, Hannah Smith and Trynity Wolfe

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Photo By Tiffany Basilone

THE LEXINGTON HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM has been crowned sectional champions. The team won against Central Catholic 3-0 on Oct. 18. Team members are front, Kayleen Wilson, Kaylie Eichorn, Kayla Carter, Madi Basilone, Kate Young and Tatum Stover; and back, Tricia Brown, Jazbee Mack, Jenna Lehnhart, Julia Wyant, Kaitlyn Goodman, Rachel Kocher, Ava Brown, Ava Newdome, Bella Temple and Janelle Wyant.

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Photo By Chris Parker

LEXINGTON GIRL'S SOCCER was crowned sectional champions after a game against Madison. After tying 1-1 in both periods, Lex came out on top of the shootout after two 15-minute overtime sessions. Olivia Stoots scored for Lex, followed by a score from Natalie Back for the Rams. Penalty kicks were made by Lex's Makenna Arnholt, Olivia Workman and Macy Chambers making the final score 4-3 in favor of Lady Lex. Lexington moves on to districts on Wednesday at 7:30 pm.



Photo By Kevin Hiebel

THE LEXINGTON BOY'S SOCCER TEAM took the sectional championship title after defeating Sandusky Perkins 4-1. Goals were scored by Will Perkins, Jack Hiebel and Alex Depperschmidt (2).

ODOT crews in northeast Ohio gearing up for winter

The leaves are falling, but before long it will be snow. Across the state, Ohio Department of Transportation workers are conducting safety checks on snowplows to ensure it is ready to go when the first flakes fly.

ODOT crews maintain state and U.S. routes outside municipalities and all interstates in Ohio, except the Ohio Turnpike.

“Keeping roads safe takes a great deal of work before, during, and even after snowstorms hit,” said Governor Mike DeWine. “We are grateful for the dedication of our ODOT crews who battle the elements year after year to keep our major roadways open and drivable.”

In northeast Ohio, ODOT has nearly 500 full-time employees who often work 12-hour shifts battling ice and snow and we are currently hiring! We are currently working to fill nearly 200 seasonal workers.

“Our seasonal workers are vital for helping us clear the roads in a timely manner,” said ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks. “Right now, we have job openings for these positions all over the state, and we encourage those who meet the minimum qualifications to consider coming to work with us.”

ODOT also uses auxiliary drivers. These auxiliary drivers are full-time ODOT employees who normally do other tasks and only plow snow when needed.

ODOT’s goal is to have primary routes back up to speed within 2 hours and secondary routes within 4 hours of the end of a snow event. Even with staffing shortfalls, last winter crews hit that goal 99 percent of the time.

“We aim to be the standard of excellence when it comes to winter maintenance. That will never change,” Marchbanks said.

While the department continues efforts to recruit plow drivers, mechanics are busy doing 150-point checks from the plow blade to the salt spinner of each of the more than 1,600 trucks in the fleet. These checks are done now so that any repairs can be made before the snow starts flying and the trucks hit the road.

A total of 61 plow trucks were struck last winter, up from 42 the previous winter. When these crashes occur, it takes important snow-fighting equipment off the road, forcing other plows in the area to extend their routes. It is very important that drivers give crews plenty of room to work.



BIOLOGY STUDENTS at Ontario High School learned how to extract chlorophyll pigments from plants and test their light absorption. Using Vernier technology, students tested their pigments in a spectrophotometer. This lab will help students understand how pigments absorb light so plants can make ATP and ultimately sugar.

Red Ribbon Week recognized

Red Ribbon Week is Oct. 23–31 each year. It is the largest drug-abuse prevention campaign in the United States.

Red Ribbon Week began in 1985 when DEA Special Agent, Enrique Camarena, died while trying to keep drugs from coming into the United States from Mexico. His friends and family began wearing red ribbons and the color red to honor him.

Since then, people all around the country where the color red during Red Ribbon Week to show their pledge to be drug free.

This year during Red Ribbon Week, help change the attitudes of drug use in your community.

Some ways you can keep your neighborhood safe and drug free.

- Be active and vocal about needed changes toward community attitudes about substance use.

- Help teens understand that substance abuse is unhealthy and can drastically negatively impact their lives.

- Create opportunities; including volunteer work, where young people can grow emotionally, explore their options, succeed and feel good about themselves without drugs

- Let neighbors know it’s okay to ask for and get help. Know local resources and point them in the right direction.

- Support local enforcement of underage purchases of alcohol and nicotine products. See regular compliance checks as an important deterrent activity.

- Properly dispose of unused or expired medications. Instead of flushing or throwing in the trash, take to a secure drop off location. Safe disposal pouches are also available free of charge by contacting the CACY office at 419-774-5683.



THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER, INC. recently celebrated the opening of newly renovated space to accommodate 18 additional survivors in their emergency shelter. Funds to support the project were donated by The Richland County Foundation, The Phillips Family Foundation, The Shelby Foundation, The SN and Ada Ford Foundation and Park National Bank Foundation as well as a generous grant from the Community Development Block Grant Fund.

Run for the One 5k is this weekend

The 2nd Annual Run for the One 5k will be held Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2 pm at North Lake Park, 625 Hope Rd., Mansfield.

Pre-register at https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Mansfield/Run-fortheOne5K?blm_aid=6215683

Race day registration is from 12:30–1:30 pm at North Lake Park. The entry fee is \$30. Proceeds will benefit the Domestic Violence Shelter, Inc.

Awards will be given for top overall female/male, top female/male in each of the following divisions: 14 and under, 15–19, 20–29, 30–39, 40–49, 50–59, 60–69, 70+ and best costume children/adults.

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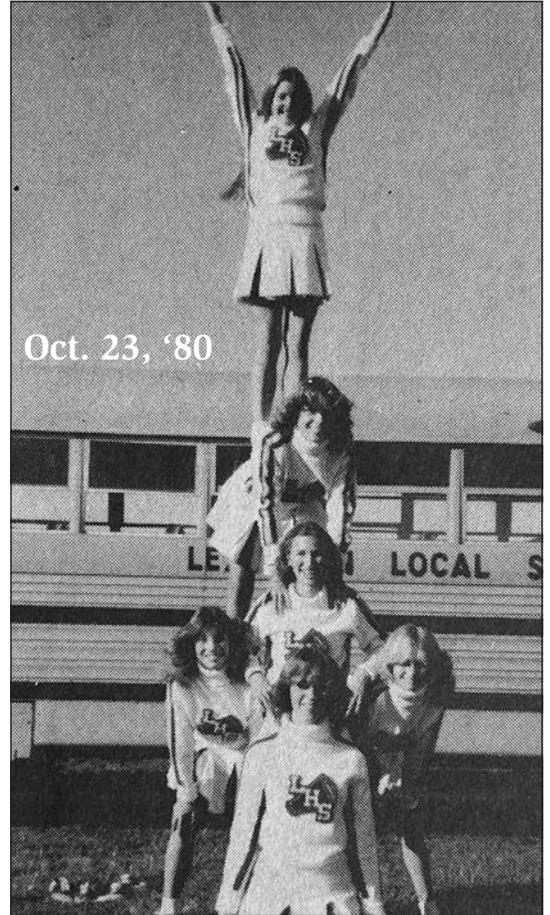
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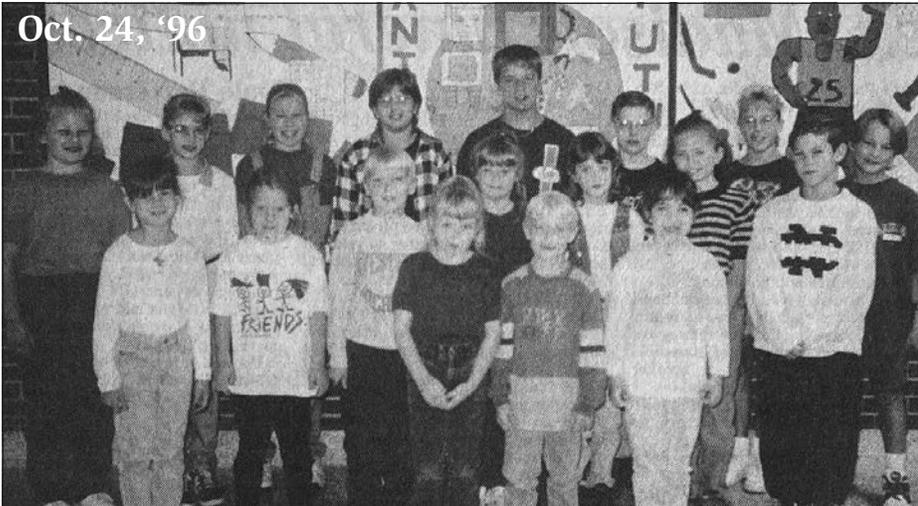
MAMMOTH-SIZE SQUASH — Shane Bowman, 7, son of Shirley and Larry Bowman of 88 S. Ireland Blvd., poses next to the mammoth Hungarian squash grown by Ed Griffon in his vegetable garden on Park Ave. W. The giant squash measures six feet, eight inches in circumference and weighs 154 pounds.

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LEXINGTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL Freshman Cheerleaders pictured above led the cheers for the Lexington Freshman Football team. The six members of the squad are: (bottom) Lorie Gause, (second row) Paige McCready and Beth Ahrens, (third row) Vicki Tallentire, (fourth row) Joni Hoffner, and (top) Amy Bahl.

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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER have been named at Madison Eastview Elementary School. The students named were, front, Sarah Rose, Kyle Partin and Mandy Alexander; middle, Ashleigh Winklmann, Leigha Seamans, Jim Yoder, Amy Blevins, Hilary Hagans, Kami Conkle and Cody Swigart; back, Kimberly Villard, Brooke Rader, Kelly Cook, Hailey Weston, Chris Mankins, Derrick Burge, Danielle Cornell and Trevor Utt.,

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THESE FOUR MADISON GIRLS have been chosen to perform at the Citrus Bowl on New Year's Day. From the left are Brooke Stoughton, Missy Pasheilich, Liz Thiel and Stephanie German.

This Day in History — At 2:35 pm, Oct. 27, 1904, New York City Mayor George McClellan took the controls on the inaugural run of the city's innovative new rapid transit system: the subway. While London boasts the world's oldest underground train network (opened in 1863) and Boston built the first subway in the United States in 1897, the New York City subway soon became the largest American system. The first line, operated by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company (IRT), traveled 9.1 miles through 28 stations. Running from city hall in lower Manhattan to Grand Central Terminal in midtown, and then heading west along 42nd Street to Times Square, the line finished by zipping north, all the way to 145th Street and Broadway in Harlem. On opening day, Mayor McClellan so enjoyed his stint as engineer that he stayed at the controls all the way from City Hall to 103rd Street. At 7 pm, the subway opened to the general public, and more than 100,000 people paid a nickel each to take their first ride under Manhattan.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on October 19, 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. 22-41 – AN ORDINANCE REZONING PARCEL #s 038-60-218-14-000 AND 038-60-218-15-000 ON PARK AVENUE WEST FROM B-BUSINESS DISTRICT TO GI-GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-14 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION STATE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND/OR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(S) AND TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS AS REQUIRED, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-45 – AN ORDINANCE GIVING CONSENT OF THE CITY FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REMOVE SNOW AND ICE AND USE SNOW AND ICE CONTROL MATERIAL ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, Ohio
(T-C 10-27, 11-3 '22) 46L

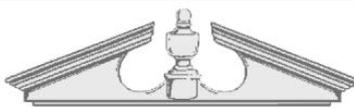
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Finnigan's Run Bellville Dog Park

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