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ROBERT MERGEL demonstrates what a Land Surveyor would use in the 18th and 19th century during The Richland Early American Center for History's Colonial Days held at South Park on June 10 and 11. The history of surveying is quite fascinating and includes different forms of technology, past and present. It was about finding solutions with what they had available at the time.

Colonial Days returns to South Park

Photos and Article By Traci Little

The echoing of Musket fire filled the air at Mansfield's South Park this past weekend. The Richland Early American Center for History (REACH) hosted their second annual Colonial Days from 10 am to 4 pm on Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11.

Historical reenactors were onsite and demonstrated period dress and talked about what life looked like in the 18th and 19th century (Continued on Page 6)

Third Annual Family Fun on the Farm Festival set for June 24

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District is teaming up with Malabar Farm State Park to sponsor Family Fun on the Farm Festival, which will take place on June 24 from 2–6 pm.

The festival returns for the third year at Malabar Farm State Park, 4050 Bromfield Rd., Lucas, with the return of popular vendors and exhibitors and the addition of new vendors. The Family Fun on the Farm Festival is open to the public and admission is free.

The festival welcomes visitors to the farm to celebrate summer's bounty of locally produced food. These days knowing where your food comes from is a challenge so the activities at the festival aim to bring awareness to locally grown food. Visitors have the chance to plant vegetables and learn how they can cultivate their own garden at home.

Various fresh food items such as microgreens, herb and vegetable plants, maple syrup, meat and honey will be available to purchase.

The outdoor festival provides visitors with the opportunity to explore nature, visit farm animals, give archery a try, and go fishing in the pond. Fishing is free for those 15 years-old and younger. There will be an agriculture and conservation trivia wheel for a chance to win prizes. The festival also allows for slower paced activities such as a relaxing ride on the farm wagon and live music and storytelling.

Food trucks and vendors will have treats and beverages for sale. For more information about the Family Fun on the Farm Festival, visit https://bit.ly/3XBX7aN, e-mail Contact@RichlandSWCD.net or call 419-747-8685.

Ontario 4th Festival expanding

The Ontario 4th of July Festival has been a staple of the community for over 20 years and will be held Saturday, July 1.

This year there will be more Friday night activities on June 30, including a live band, car show, music and kids' activities.

There will be an expanded parade including a pets division and old favorites such as The Ontario Lion's Club Frog Jumping contest and eating contests will be back.

The first ever sky diving show will be added Saturday at 6 pm as well as an all-day craft show.

The parade will be held at 3:30 pm Saturday and Lexington's Sorellé, stars on NBC's "The Voice," will sing the National Anthem to kick off the largest firework show in North Central Ohio.

To sign-up for the 5K Saturday morning, visit https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Mansfield/OntarioLiberty5KRun?fbclid = IwAR1x-22w5yjWcFeAtsYdV__9ZjEDxl8BHD0Ke3eSVy3GDc0WnFxME8PkGb 4

Anyone wishing to volunteer or donate to the Ontario 4th of July Festival Committee can call 419-566-8072.



Who's Guilty, Or Just In Time?

By Bob Carter

Today's newspapers, whether printed on paper or online like the *Tribune-Courier*, carry local news, but families' troubles are a bit watered down.

Back in the 1880s, the newspaper would spill anything of interest for all to see. The more juicy the item the more interest there'd be.

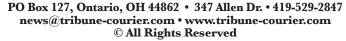
On March 11, 1886, The Mansfield Herald published this little ditty:



Why all the flowers in this period wedding photo?

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"Three Epochs in Couple's Life in as Many Days Time"

"Some time ago J. W. Russell, who lives in the country near Lexington, applied for a divorce from his wife on account of willful absence. He claims that a few weeks after his marriage his wife left his bed and board and did not return."

"The divorce was granted in the Court of Common Pleas October 23. Russell got his decree in the afternoon of Saturday, in the presence of his attorney. As soon as the decree was granted, he asked his council if a marriage license could be procured in the same room. He was told no, and directed to the Probate Judge's office, where a license was granted to J. W. Russell and Nora L. Carr."

"Russell went home and Sunday afternoon the wedding took place."

"Monday, just 24 hours after the wedding, a physician was called to the bed of the 24-hour bride, Mrs. Russell, where she presented her husband with a twelve pound baby boy.

"Verily this is the age of progress. Who can beat this record?" Matrimony helped sell papers.

In another issue in June of 1881, there was this: "There has been a boom in the matrimonial market, and several of our fair daughters have left the ranks of single blessedness."

There were no scandals to report in that issue.



Transformers: Rise of the Beasts is a reboot of the franchise that has had quite a few ups and

downs, first with the original trilogy starring Shia LeBeouf and then another two starring Mark Wahlberg that really went down in quality. Though the standalone film Bumblebee starring Hailee Steinfeld was an encouraging look forward, though that was in 2018.

This movie takes place in 1994 and stars Anthony Ramos as Noah Diaz, a young army veteran who lives in Brooklyn and trying to take care of his family including his sick brother. He turns to crime and tries to steal a car. Unfortunately, that car is a transformer and has been secretly summoned by Optimus Prime. Noah and a young museum intern and artifact expert named Elena (Dominique Fishback) are recruited by the transformers to help retrieve a key that will help them return to their planet and save Earth from being destroyed by the evil machines who are also coming for the key.

The Transformers movies are very back and forth. The first one was good. The Shia LeBeouf led films had a certain sense of fun though were overblown by large full scale, Michael Bay led special effects and excessive runtimes. I personally do not have

good memories of the first Mark Wahlberg entry and not sure I saw the second one he did. As

I said before, Bumblebee was very well done as it was more a fish out of water story.

This new entry is just fine. Ramos and Fishback are enjoyable as the leads and have good chemistry. The movie is much more pared down than the other entries and it is refreshing to

have a simpler story and all of the budget seemed to be put into the engaging final fight.

The script could have used some work though and there seems to be something missing, maybe another fight sequence could have been included and a little more backstory with the Fishback character.

Transformers: Rise of the Beasts is a middle of the road Transformers movie, certainly not the best though not the worst either and for a franchise that would probably like to make a positive comeback, this is a step in the right direction though will probably be on the lower end of the more memorable movies to be released this summer. I will give this a marginal recommendation.



News Briefs

The Pizza Hut Car Shows have returned to the Ontario location with the next one planned for Thursday, June 15, from 4–8 pm.

Pizza Hut is located at 365 N. Lexington Springmill Rd., Ontario, and the show is sponsored by Brian and Michelle Gates State Farm Insurance Agency.

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West, Mansfield, offers senior boxes on the fourth Tuesday of each month, year 'round. The Greater Cleveland Food Bank has a program called "Senior Boxes" whereby anyone 60 + who falls in the "low income" guidelines can register and then pick up a 30 pound box of non-perishables including two pounds of cheese and a 15 pound box of pre-packaged produce.

Age is a qualification, so those attending should bring a current identification card complete with date of birth and proof of income. Distribution is on the east side of the building between 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to get registered and pick up a box. There is no cost. Call 419-522-0662 for more information.

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 June 21, will include pork. David Crawford will speak about honey bees. Cost is \$15 for the meal. Guests are welcome. For information visit www.lexasc.org. Dues are \$10 per year.

The group will take a July 13 trip to Williams on the Lake in Medina for a First Ladies of Country performance. The \$93 fee includes lunch, bus and show. Logan Wells will perform selections from Patsy Cline, Loretta Lynn Dolly Parton and Brenda Lee. Call Helena Bunker at 419-683-2409 for information.

Perrysville Lions Club will host the 20th annual car show on Saturday, June 24 on S. Bridge St., Perrysville.

Registration Fee is \$5 and will be held from 9–10:30 am. The show will run from 10:30 am to 1 pm. Dash plaques will be given to the first 50 entries. Trophies will be awarded at 1 pm for Best of Show, People's Choice, Best GM, Best Ford, Best Mopar and Best Other.

There will be a 50/50 drawing and door prizes. All makes and models are welcome. For more information call Julianne Zody at 419-606-4890. Proceeds go to pediatric cancer research, Ashland County Cancer Society and other Lions Projects in the community.

North Central Ohio Industrial Museum's Friends of Manufacturing will host its First Annual Manufacturing Retirees Lunch on Friday, Sept. 1, from 11 am to 1 pm.

The lunch is free to the first 200 retirees from the area who are 65 and older and will be held at The Ohio State Reformatory, 100 Reformatory Rd., Mansfield, in the main guard room. Tours of the museum will be given from noon to 1 pm. The meal will be provided by Port-A-Cook. Dress is casual.

For information or to learn about sponsorship opportunities, contact Jerry Miller at contact@ncoim.org or 419-528-8107.

The Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center will have free produce giveaways on the fourth Monday of the Month, April thru October. Dates will be June 26, July 24, Aug. 28, Sept. 25 and Oct. 23. Line-up begins at 8:30 am and the giveaway begins at 10 am at Clear Fork Alliance Church (across from Clear Fork High School). A photo ID is required by Cleveland Food Bank.

The Mental Health & Recovery Services Board of Richland County will hold its monthly board meeting on Tuesday, June 20, at 5:30 pm at 87 E. First St., Mansfield. For information call 419-774-5811.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Christopher Reynolds at the 10:30 am service on June 18. He will speak on "The Oran Mor, the Great Mystery and the Tao: May the Flame of the Chalice Sing."

For more information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, June 24 and 25. 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.

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

Mansfield's Juneteenth Celebration will kick-off with the city's 2nd Annual Juneteenth Parade and Festival. The celebration will be held Saturday, June 17, from 10 am to 6 pm and will begin with the parade at 10 am.

The parade will feature special guest marching bands and drumlines, dance groups, local churches, businesses, organizations and political candidates.

Following the parade will be a day of festivities in Central Park Mansfield. The festival will include live bands and entertainment, health screenings, community choirs, book signing (local and statewide authors), wine tasting, food trucks, a kid's zone, a vendor marketplace and more.

The Richland Rural Life Center, 969 E. Crall Rd., Mansfield, will host an ice cream social on Saturday, July 22, from 4–6 pm

The entrance is located between Stewart Rd. and Rt. 545).

On the menu are shredded chicken, sloppy joe, all beef hot dogs, coneys, cole slaw, potato salad, baked beans, applesauce and homemade ice cream.

All items are sold A' la Carte. Homemade Ice Cream Quarts available for \$4. For information call 419-544-2418 (leave message).

Hammered flower notecard workshop planned for July 11

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) will be hosting a Conservation Creation workshop on July 11 from 6–8 pm at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary Education Building, 3774 Orweiler Rd., Mansfield.

All are invited and encouraged to attend the workshop. Participants will be making a hammered flower notecard using natural dye from flowers to create a design. They can then keep the notecard or gift it to a loved one by adding a hand-written message.

Mark Hoover from Kingwood Center Gardens will provide a program on flowers. All materials for the workshop will be provided by Richland SWCD. The cost to attend the workshop is \$12 per person and reservations may be made at https://richlandswcd.net/event/conservation-creation-arts-crafts-workshop/.

For more information on this workshop and future events visit https://richlandswcd.net/events/ or call 419-747-8685.





THE EUROBRASS ENSEMBLE will be touring in the United States and playing at Mansfield 1st EPC on July 30 at 7:30 pm. Showcasing various combinations of trumpets, horns, trombones and tuba, eurobrass will present a program that reflects the diversity and richness of God's creation. The twelve members of the ensemble come from twelve states — ten in the U.S. and two in Germany—and perform in ensembles ranging from symphony orchestras to soul bands. A eurobrass concert includes a diversity of music, from classical to gospel jazz and from ancient hymns of the church to modern praise and worship. Admission to the concert is free. A love offering will be taken. For more information call 419-756-7066 or visit eurobrass.de. or mansfield1st.com

Church Directory

Clear Fork Alliance Church

1008 State Route 97, Bellville
419-886-4333 • www.clearforkalliance.org
Rev. Matt Merendino
Rev. Mike Stine, Associate Pastor
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship
Sunday Evening 6 pm Home Groups
Monday Men's Group 7:30 pm
Wednesday evenings: 6:45 pm Prayer Meeting
6:30–8 pm TeamKID and Youth Group
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study 6:30–8 pm

Community Bible Church

1043 Springmill St., Mansfield 567-560-8011 www.DiscoverCommunity.org Pastor Sam Belsterling 10:30 am Sunday Worship Live stream at https://www.facebook.com/ CommunityBibleChurchMansfield

First English Lutheran Church

53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield 419-522-0662 • www.felc-mansfield.org Pastor Miguel Acasta 9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship Tuesday Bible Study 1 pm (East entrance)

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Lexington Presbyterian Church

35 Čhurch St. West, Lexington 419-884-1330 Pastor Denny Nezrick 10:30 am Sunday Worship https://www.facebook.com/Lexington-Presbyterian-Church-117768414915815

Mansfield 1st EPC

399 Trimble Rd., Mansfield 419-756-7066 • www.mansfield1st.com Rev. Joseph Yerger 9 am Adult & Youth Sunday School 10 am Sunday Worship

Oakland Lutheran Church

2045 Olivesburg Rd. 419-571-9920 Pastor Paul Lintern 9 am Sunday Worship

Ontario Christian Church

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



Ontario United Methodist Church

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

Southside Christian Church Disciples of Christ

2055 Middle-Bellville, Mansfield Streamed on Paul Lintern Facebook Page Sunday 10:45 am "A Refuge for Hymn-singers!"

St. Mary of the Snows Catholic Church

1630 Ashland Rd., Mansfield (Madison) 419-589-2114 • www.mansfieldstmarys.org Father John Miller Worship: 4 pm Saturday & 11 am Sunday 5:30 pm Tuesday Worship 8 am Friday Worship • Faith Instruction & Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

St. John's United Church of Christ

68 Park Avenue East, Mansfield 419-522-2813 • www.stjohnsmansfield.org Pastor Faith Prioretti 10 am Sunday Worship

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Hospice of NCO receives \$10,000 grant for Camp Hope

The board of directors of The Elinor & T.W. Miller, Jr. Foundation, Orlando, FL, has approved a grant in the amount of \$10,000 in support of Hospice of North Central Ohio's "Camp Hope" children's bereavement camp.

HNCO established "Camp Hope" in 1996 in response to a growing need to provide grieving children who have lost a loved one through death with a safe and supportive environment in which to heal and tell their story. The primary objective of the camp is to help children realize that they are not alone in their grief, that death is a natural part of life, and that grief is a natural response to that loss.

This year's "Camp Hope" will take place on June 16, 17, 23 and 24 at Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp.

Ralph Tomassi, HNCO Chief Development Officer/Senior Administrator stated, "This grant is particularly gratifying because it not only supports a very important core mission program, but it perpetuates the memory of two individuals who made a significant impact on the lives of so many people in this community.

The Elinor & T.W. Miller, Jr. Foundation, established in 2004, continues to be dedicated to the causes Bill and Elinor loved most: education, health care, athleticism, spiritual health and community engagement

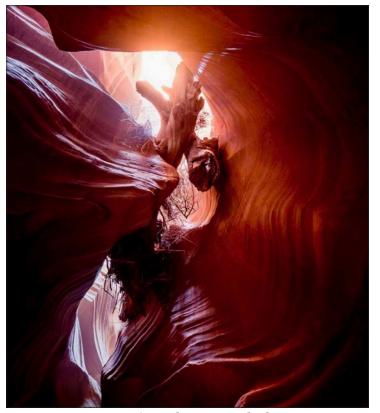
engagement.

The Miller Foundation board continues to follow the Miller family leadership, honoring their vision and legacy through a commitment to serving the people and institutions of Winter Park, FL, and Ashland, OH.

Hospice of North Central Ohio has served thousands of families with compassionate end-of-life and Palliative care, bereavement programs and services since 1988.



THE OHIO ASSOCIATION of County Behavioral Health Authorities honored State Senator Mark Romanchuk as its Legislator of the Year in 2021. The Award for Legislative Excellence ceremony was cancelled last year due to COVID. Romanchuk was recognized at this year's annual meeting for his support and work on behalf of Addiction and Mental Health Boards in Ohio. "This is a great honor and I am grateful that our work has had a positive effect," said Romanchuk. "Our experience with COVID has shown how important it is make sure our fellow Ohioans have the support they need to make it through tough times." The award recognizes outstanding leaders for their work to support ADAMH (Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health) Boards, individuals in recovery, and the community behavioral health system. Anyone seeking assistance can contact the Richland County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board at 419-774-5811. If it is a crisis, call 419-522-HELP (4357). The website is richlandmentalhealth.com.



Canyon Fire • Photo By Mark Shutt

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• Colonial Days returns to South Park (Continued from Front Page) for Americans. Visitors witnessed pioneer cooking over an open

hearth and woodworking in the shop. There were speakers, musket demonstrations, 18th century blanket traders, cooking, and black-smithing and rope making in the shop.

Professional blacksmith, Benjamin Hoffman, worked in the black-smith shop on Saturday. The event also featured presentations sur-

rounding 18th century womanhood, beauty and dance.
Colonial Days was founded last year after local re-enactors asked
REACH to host a spring event. REACH will have its seventh annual Heritage Days festival in the fall.













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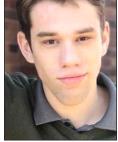
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Maleah Paige Kurtz



Karlee Anna Ward





Temple Christian School Graduates 12028



Temple Christian School's 45th Commencement Ceremony

May, 27, 2023 • Photos By Traci Little

Opening Prayer: Daniel Ball Salutatorian Address: Allisandra Dean

Pastor's Award: Pastor Robert J. Kurtz to Maleah Paige Kurtz

Valedictorian Address: Lydia Ball Class Address: Pastor Matt Stollings

Presentation of Class: Jessica Day, Principal Presentation of Diplomas: Pastor Robert J. Kurtz

Closing Prayer: Dr. Dennis Custer

2023 Graduates: Lydia Joyann Ball, Janna Lynn Custer, Allisandra Lehua Dean, Allyson Jane Gibson, Maleah Paige

Kurtz and Karlee Anna Ward

Class Colors: Ash and Light Blue Class Advisor: Jenessa Jorgensen

Attendants: Evelyn Day, Joel Yoxtheimer and Malachi Keim

Class Verse: "For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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Makayla Crawford, Joshua Henwood and Jordan Kochis

Three KCCC students earn building trades elite status

The Knox County Career Center Building Trades program recognized three students who earned the status of "Building Trades Elite."

"Building Trades Elite" (BT Elite) is a program generated by Colby Clippinger, KCCC Building Trades instructor and the KCCC Building Trades Advisory Council that began in 2019-'20. The program's criteria centers around attendance, discipline, industry credentialing and extracurricular activities. A point system is set up where students earn points for attendance, grades, industry credentialing and extracurricular activities.

Students can lose points for being tardy, absent, and for discipline issues. In order to earn "BT Elite" status, students must earn 250 points and must maintain 250 points or higher until graduation to keep the "BT Elite" status.

The program is completely company-sponsored according to Clippinger. Students who earn "BT Elite" status are awarded a hoodie and an interview shirt, paid for by the companies. The hoodie has the Building Trades Elite crest on the back along with the company sponsors. The student's name and "BT Elite" are on the front. The interview shirt has "BT Elite" and the student's name on the front.

Clippinger commented, "We appreciate the companies who have partnered with us on the "BT Elite" program. The program creates a well-rounded and ready-to-hire student.

Seniors Makayla Crawford, Joshua Henwood and Jordan Kochis earned "BT Elite" status recently and received their hoodies and interview shirts. Thirty-three students from the Building Trades program have now earned "BT Elite" status since its inception.

"The BT Elite program has had a profound impact on the students. It continually helps keep students accountable for themselves and they are now encouraging other students to attain the same level. This will only improve the quality of tradespeople entering into the workforce," added Clippinger.

Sponsoring companies are J & B Acoustical, Ohio Contractors Association, ProTech Basement Solutions, LiUNA! Local 1216, Kokosing, Corna Kokosing, Brennstuhl Construction, Modern Builders, Gray Mechanical, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Local 735 and Rietschlin Construction.



News Briefs in Education

Abigail Dawson, of Lexington was named to the Lincoln Memorial University Dean's List for the spring semester of 2023. To be placed on the list, the student must be a full-time undergraduate and have a 3.5 or higher grade-point-average for the semester. Over 510 students were recognized for high acacademic achievement.

Lincoln Memorial University is located in Harrogate, Tennessee.

Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within each division for the spring semester 2023 have been named to the dean's list recognizing aca-

Local students on the list are Eli Laser, Tucker Schurig, Will Bennett, Elizabeth Hamler, Mason Hardman, Emma Shaffer, Nathaniel Ivy and Jake Kmetz.

Miami University students who are ranked in the top three percent of undergraduate students within each division for the spring semester 2023 have been named to the president's list recognizing academic excellence.

Local students are Shelby Zimmerman, Nico Laser, Katie Gouge and Kayla Lynskey.

Miami University is a public university located in Oxford, Ohio.

Local students graduating from Cedarville University in spring 2023 with an undergraduate degree are Joshua Johnson, Carter Klotzbach, Jacob Littleton and Audrey Martin.

The univeristy is located in southwest Ohio.

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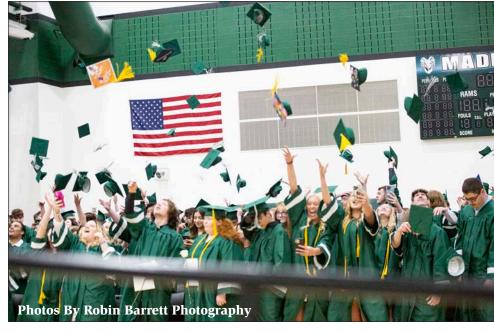














Madison Comprehensive High School Graduation 2003

























STUDENTS IN TONYA WINNINGHAM'S second grade class at Stingel Elementary in Ontario celebrated on the last day of school by passing beach balls around for their classmates to sign. Then they threw them in the air and played outside with them a little before the official start to summer break and to celebrate being new third graders.

Summer library program continues

The Mansfield/Richland County Public Library (MRCPL) invites the community to participate in the annual Summer Library Program, All Together Now, through July 29 at all nine locations, at the Bookmobile and online at mrcpl.org.

This program encourages reading, decreases summer reading loss in students, and engages the community with in-person and passive activities.

The program will conclude with the free, family-friendly, Mansfield Family Festival on Saturday, July 29, from 10 am to 2 pm in downtown Mansfield. This event is sponsored by the Buckeye Imagination Museum, Idea Works, MRCPL, Richland Carrousel Park and Richland Source and features live entertainment, over fifty vendors, bounce houses, carousel rides, food trucks and more.

For information visit mrcpl. org/slp2023.

Free outdoor movies offered through summer

The Renaissance Theatre will host free movie nights featuring three Disney and Pixar Movies: Disney's Encanto, Luca and Pixar's Toy Story.

Movies will be shown in the Plaza, located between the Renaissance Theatre and Theatre 166, the grassy area visible from Park Avenue West. *Encanto* will be shown Wednesday, June 21 at 8:30 pm. *Luca* can be seen on July 19 at 8:30 pm and *Toy Story* will be shown on Aug. 16, at 8:30 pm.

Richland County Foundation's support allows these events to take place.

Activities for the family will begin at 7:30 pm, provided by Buckeye Imagination Museum and the Richland Academy of the Arts. Those attending are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets. There will be free popcorn.

Pictures on the Plaza is a program directly tied to the mission of the Renaissance to provide experiences that engage everyone in the community. One of the driving forces behind the development of this program is Renaissance Director of Community Engagement Maddie Penwell.



THE CITY OF ONTARIO has new lifeguards who completed and passed all tests to become certified lifeguards. Debby Henry instructed the lifeguarding class. New lifeguards are front, Max Weeks, Elaina Seif, Kaylee Lynch and Alexia Sesco; and back, Logan Bernat, Katie Keffalas, Delaney Moritz, Joie Simmering and Evan Ruhe.









Miss Ohio contestants welcomed with parade

Photos and Article By Traci Little

Twenty-three contestants from across Ohio will compete for the title of Miss Ohio between June 15–17 at the Renaissance Theatre.

The Miss Ohio Parade took place at 2 pm Sunday, June 11, at Marion Avenue and Park Avenue West. After the parade, there was a free autograph-signing event at the Richland Carrousel Park.

The parade's grand marshal was Miss Ohio 2013, Heather Wells Barrett of Columbus.

The Miss Ohio's Outstanding Teen show and crowning will be this Wednesday, June 14, at 7 pm, at the Renaissance Theatre. Twelve teens will compete for the title. The winner receives a \$2,500 scholarship and the opportunity to compete at the national pageant.

The current Miss Ohio, Elizabetta Nies, and reigning Miss Ohio's Outstanding Teen, Cassandra Kurek, will co-emcee the teen pageant. \$8,850 in scholarships will be awarded at the Miss Ohio's Outstanding Teen Program this year.

The Miss Ohio first preliminary night will begin at 7:30 pm Thursday, June 15. All of the competition events will take place at the Renaissance Theatre at 138 Park Avenue West. The emcee will be Miss Ohio 2003, Janelle Couts.

On Saturday, June 17, will be the Miss Ohio finals and a new Miss Ohio will be crowned. The show begins at 7:30 pm. The emcee will be Miss Ohio 1989, Sarah Evans Tackett. The winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship and

the opportunity to compete at Miss America. \$48,100 in scholarships will be awarded at Miss Ohio.

The Miss Ohio People's Choice can be voted on by going to www.missohio.org and voting from the website for a candidate to be in the Top 10 on June 18.



Commander Matthew Walter will serve as Coast Guard Attaché in Brazil

Commander Matthew J. Walter, a 1999 graduate of Madison Comprehensive High School and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in 2003, is being reassigned.

Commander Walter was nominated by the Coast Guard and approved by the Department of Defense to serve as the Coast Guard Attaché to the country of Brazil.

Since the summer of 2022, he has been learning Portuguese, the language of Brazil, along with cultural training and the Department of Defense's requirements for his new position. As an Attaché, Commander Walter will have the privileges of a foreign diplomat.

Commander Walter will be serving as a member of the support staff under the authority of the U.S. Ambassador to Brazil in the capital city of Brasilia for two years. Some of his responsibilities will be representing the U.S. Secretary of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff



along with serving as a military advisor to the U.S. Ambassador. He will also serve as a contact to Brazil's military in the U.S. Embassy.

Commander Walter and his wife Lora (Wisenbarger) Walter, also a 1999 graduate of Madison and member of the inaugural Madison High School sports hall of fame, will be departing for Brazil at the end of June accompanied by their seven children ages 16 to 3.

Serving at an overseas location has been a desire for the family for many years and the reality of its fulfillment, as one his last duty assignments before retirement, is gratifying.





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Lexington playgounds receive new paint thanks to business volunteers

The Village of Lexington Council meeting was held May 15 with Mayor Brian White presiding.

Attending were council members Zack Alleshouse, Adam Gongwer, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise. Also present were Attorney John Studenmund, Chief Brett Pauley and Administrator Andrew Smallstey.

It was reported that sludge depth was taken at the lagoon and draining the lagoon will need to be considered as a future capital item

Administrator Andrew Smallstey thanked Eric and Stephanie Webb of Keller Williams Legacy Group Realty for their community volunteer day. The group painted most of the playground equipment at Bicentennial Park.

Charter Next Gen will also be providing a day of community caring and will be painting the playground equipment at Community Park

An Arbor Day Ceremony honored the village's oldest resident, Lewis Ryan, with a tree panting ceremony.

The street department worked on Salem and Mayfair roads culvert which was blocked by significant debris from a storm last March. The department will return to replace the sidewalk.

The street rebidding winner is Kokosing.

Councilman Little asked if paving the lot across the street is on the agenda. Smallstey replied that he hopes they will start soon. Patriot Park will also be scheduled when they come in to pave the old lot.

As reported by Mayor Brian White, a Solar Eclipse will happen April 8, 2024. The area is expecting to double in population that day; schools are closed in anticipation of crowds. Commissioner Tony Vero oversees the task force for the event.

As reported by Parliamentarian Councilman Gongwer the summer schedule for council will be used for June, July and August with only one council meeting per month. Casual business attire is acceptable during the summer months.

An ordinance was approved authorizing the village administrator to enter into a professional design services agreement with The Edge Group, for the Village of Lexington's downtown plan, and declaring an emergency.

Mayor White detailed the Comprehensive Plan set up for the village spanning from the square to Rite Aid on East Main. The concept will include enhancing the right-of-way, character aesthetics and other details. They will have six months to detail the concept.

An ordinance authorizing the administrative director to contract with Kokosing Construction Company, Inc. for the resurfacing of certain village streets and declaring an emergency was approved.

An ordinance amending ordinances 11-35 and 18-13 was approved to revise the organizational structure to increase the number of full-time police officers within the village police department and declaring an emergency.

Mayor White stated this ordinance change comes from discussion regarding safety in schools last March. This will entail a second School Resource Officer who will be stationed more in the grade schools. Chief Pauley stated monies will be ready for June 5 legislation. Councilman Kearns asked if this was a request made by the schools and Chief Pauley confirmed it had.

Councilman Kearns thanked Charter Commission members for their dedication and hard work.

He gave report regarding the Cemetery Board meeting that met May 8. Changes were made in the CD finances from Huntington Bank to Park National.

The board has upgraded the electric services at the cemetery building which also included the electrical panel. The village has linked up with Bellville's Cemetery Board.

Councilman Little stated that signs on Steam Corners Road are in the public right of way. Councilman Gongwer has noted three separate sign violations.

Registration now open for Richland Academy Boot Camp

Tribune-Courier

Richland Academy of the Arts will offer an Audition Boot Camp for ages eight and older this summer.

The two-week class, Audition Boot Camp, will take the uncertainty out of the auditioning process. Students will hone their audition skills from learning how to select and perform a song, learning and performing a dance combo, choosing, and preparing a short monologue, as well as cold reading from a script at an audition.

The final class will conclude with a "mock audition" in which students perform their pieces.

This class is instructed by RAA's professional theatre instructors, Maria Beery and Erin Wolford with accompaniment by piano instructor, Alicia Porter. The class is offered Monday through Friday, 2–3 pm, from July 17–27, with a final showing on Thursday July 27.

Beery spent 10 years in New York City training, performing, and teaching with the Atlantic Acting School and the Jade McCarty Studio. Her favorite roles include Liesl in the Sound of Music, Minnie Faye in Hello, Dolly!, Katherine in The Taming of the Shrew, Susie in Wit, and Lady Capulet in Romeo and Juliet. Directing credits include Les Misérables, Mamma Mia, Annie, You're a Good Man Charlie Brown and Into the Woods.

The audition process can sometimes feel scary or intimidating to young actors. Our goal is to create a safe environment where students approach auditioning with a sense of fun and enthusiasm while building their confidence and skills," said Beery.

Wolford is a BFA Musical Theatre and Dance graduate from West Virginia Wesleyan College with over 10 years of professional performance experience and 10 years of teaching experience. Her favorite roles include Jellylorum in Cats, Graziella in West Side Story and Fritzie in *Cabaret*.

She is a choreographer who works with professional and community theatres and high school theatre departments all over the state of Ohio. Recently Erin made her choreographic debut with Marden Ramos at the Renaissance Theatre in Mansfield, with Spring Awakening and is the choreographer for the upcoming production of Grease.

Register at richlandacademy.com or call 419-522-8224.

Red Cross blood supply facing stress, donors urgently needed

A concerning shortfall in blood donations last month could stress the American Red Cross blood supply. The Red Cross collected over 26,000 fewer blood donations than needed in May to meet the needs of patients. The need for blood is constant, with someone needing a blood transfusion in the U.S. every two seconds. Platelet donors are especially needed at this time. The public can help ensure continuity for patients by making an appointment to give blood or platelets now and in the weeks ahead.

In thanks for taking time to help, all who come to give blood, platelets or plasma June 1-30 will receive a \$10 gift card by email to a merchant of their choice. Those who come to give throughout June will also be automatically entered for a chance to win a backyard theater package. Details for both offers can be found at Red-CrossBlood.org/June.

To donate, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit Red-CrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule a time to give.

Local bloodmobiles are schedule for:

Wednesday, June 14, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall RSMO, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Friday, June 16, 10 am to 3 pm, YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd., Mansfield; and 11 am to 5 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Wednesday, June 21, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario; and 1-6 pm, Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shlioh Friday, June 23, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario Wednesday, June 28, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario Friday, June 30, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario









ON JUNE 4, Ontario Lions Club members and its sponsored local Boy Scout group helped install over 25 yards of mulch at Lions Park. The park is open this summer and fall for the public to enjoy.





THE MANSFIELD PLAYHOUSE will present *Disney's My Son Pinocchio JR.*, the classic tale of a toymaker's little wooden puppet. The cast of performers will sing "I've Got No Strings" and "When You Wish Upon a Star." Performances will be June 16, 17, 23 and 24 at 7 pm and June 25 at 2:30 pm. Geppetto will be played by Liam Paxton and Graycen Stevens will star as Pinocchio. Other cast members are Gwyneth Jones, Rosa; Taylor Beasley, Viola; MaKenzie Wynn, Arancia; Kinley Clow, Sue; Maddie Shafley, Blue Fairy; Estel Bramlage, Left Marionette; Griffin Kennard, Right Marionette; Noah Burton, Stromboli; Ariel Truex, Talia; Sam Russel, Maria; Samuel Hergatt, Prof B; Joseph Reddy, Boy 1; Cooper Getz, Boy 2; Marco Armstrong, Junior; Kaden Gilland, Ringleader; Scarlett Swisher, Fiorello; Anthony Parker, Benardo; Piper Donahue, Signora Giovanni; Cece Kettering, Signora Lisi; and Lucy Lang, Adriana. Ensemble members are Josie McNary, Stella McNary, Declan McNary, Kenan Burton, Elijah Burton, Adon Burton, Julia Burton, Chloe Burton, Lyndie Black, Xavier Getz, Elena Allen, Adely Truex, Quinn Getz, Hannah Jones, Kennadi Knipp, Derick Foster and Henry Parker.

HEAP Summer Crisis Program starts July 1 for Ohioans

The Ohio Department of Development and the Area Agency on Aging will help income-eligible Ohioans stay cool during the hot summer months. The Home Energy Assistance Summer Crisis Program provides eligible Ohioans assistance paying an electric bill or assistance paying for central air conditioning repairs. The program runs from July 1–Sept. 30, 2023.

To apply for the program, clients are required to schedule an appointment with the Community Action Commission of Richland and Huron by calling 419-901-9539.

Clients need to bring copies of the following documents to their appointment:

- •Copies of their most recent energy bills.
- •A list of all household members and proof of income for the last 30 days or 12 months for each member.
- •Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members.
 - Proof of disability (if applicable).
- •Physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for a household member's health (if there isn't a household member over the age of 60).

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. (AAA) is a non-profit agency that serves Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Richland, Seneca, and Wyandot Counties. We have programs for all ages and income levels; however, we specialize in services and programs for older adults and anyone with disabilities. If you need assistance applying for programs such as HEAP, Medicare, Medicaid, Extra Help, or other programs please contact our office at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799.

The Summer Crisis Program assists low-income households with an older household member (60 years or older) who can provide physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for their health, have a disconnect notice, have been shut off, are trying to establish new service on their electric bill, or require air conditioning. Conditions can include such things as lung disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, or asthma.

Eligible households can receive up to \$500 if they are a customer of a regulated utility, or \$800 if they are a customer of unregulated utilities such as electric cooperatives and municipal utilities. The assistance is applied to their utility bill, or to purchase an air conditioning unit or fan, or pay for central air conditioning repairs. Ohioans must have a gross income at or below 175% of the federal poverty guidelines to qualify for assistance. For a family of four the annual income must be at or below \$52,500.00.

Also, Ohioans enrolled in the Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP) program who meet the above criteria may be eligible for assistance towards their default PIPP payment, first PIPP payment, central air conditioning repairs, or may receive an air conditioning unit and/or fan.

For more information about the features of the Summer Crisis Program and what is needed to apply, contact the Community Action Commission of Richland and Huron at 419-901-9539. To be connected to your local Energy Assistance provider visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov or call (800) 282-0880.

The Ohio Department of Development empowers communities to succeed by investing in Ohio's people, places, and businesses. Learn more about our work at development.ohio.gov.

Local teachers can apply for classroom grants

Local educators are invited to submit grant applications to the Richland County Foundation.

Teacher Assistance Program (TAP) grants of up to \$1,500 each are selected by a community committee for classroom projects not covered by school funding. The grants are given to K-12 teachers in public or private Richland County schools to encourage them to carry out effective programs for their students.

Teachers also can apply for a Harry and Lois McCullough Fund grant. The grants are available for the purpose of promoting writing, literature appreciation, music and Ohio history through creative, innovative, and effective methods and programs.

Mansfield City School teachers have two additional opportunities: Field Trip and Family Involvement Activity and Fine Arts

The applications are available on richlandcountyfoundation.org with a June 25 deadline. For additional information contact Community Investment Officer Siera Marth-May at smarth@rcfounda-

tion.org or 419-525-3020. The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501c3, was established in 1945 as a way for

individuals to pool and invest their gifts for the long-term good of Richland County and its resi-

dents.

The Foundation helps people in Richland County give back to their community by investing their gifts for charity wisely so that grants can be made to improve the quality of life for all of the county's citizens. Working together with donors, the Foundation meets important needs today and plans for a strong future.



A Teacher Assistance Program grant supported a soil study project for St. Peter's School students.

Resolution urges Feds not to penalize consumers with good credit

The Senate approved a resolution co-sponsored by State Senators Andrew Brenner (R-Delaware) and Steve Wilson (R-Maineville) to reverse a move by the Federal Housing Finance Agency to increase mortgage fees for borrowers with stronger credit while lowering fees for higher-risk borrowers. Senate Resolution 115 calls for the repeal of a new fee structure for purchase, rate-term refinance, and cashout refinance loans that took effect on May 1, 2023.

Brenner and Wilson say the federal rule will reward higher-risk borrowers at the expense of individuals who have often spent their lives building or rebuilding their credit. The senators warn this rule will not increase home ownership, it will increase home foreclo-

"The increased fees could have a significant chilling effect on the real estate market in Ohio," said Brenner. "These increased fees combined with higher mortgage interest rates could inhibit the ability of middle class Ohioans to afford a home or to obtain a loan to maintain or improve their current home.'

"Homeowners today are already facing the highest inflation rate in more than four decades. Now is not the time for fee increases on homebuyers," said Wilson. "The lessons learned from the subprime mortgage crisis must not be ignored. We must ensure that we do not fall into the kind of reckless subsidization that plagued the housing market in recent decades."

Senate Resolution 115 calls upon President Biden to rescind the new loan-level price adjustments; should he refuse, it calls upon the United States Congress to intervene.

Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development named finalist for Chamber of the Year Award

The Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development has been named a finalist for the 2023 Chamber of the Year award, presented by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (ACCE). ACCE is an association based in Alexandria, Va., that has over 1,600 chambers of commerce and related business and economic development organizations as members, representing more than 9,000 professionals in the industry.

The award, sponsored by Personify, is the most prestigious and competitive recognition presented annually by ACCE. It recognizes the leadership role chambers of commerce have in their communities. Those honored with the Chamber of the Year designation have demonstrated organizational strength and made an impact on key community priorities, such as education, transportation, economic prosperity, and quality of life.

"This year's finalists truly represent excellence in the chamber industry," said ACCE President & CEO Sheree Anne Kelly. "Through their roles as community partners, thought leaders, and innovative problem solvers, each has demonstrated what it means to be a catalyst for growth and regional prosperity. We congratulate them on

Chamber of the Year winners will be announced on Tuesday, August 1, during the Awards Show at ACCE's Annual Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah.

"It is a true honor to have our work at the Chamber recognized by our peers from across the country. The team at the Chamber works hard to build our community up, and this is something we share with our whole community," replied Jodie Perry, CCE, IOM, CCEO-AP, COO of the Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development.

Board Chair, Jay Goyal, remarked, "I am incredibly excited and proud of our team for achieving this honor. We have an amazing group and it is so validating to have them recognized."

Chambers of commerce interested in competing for the award must first qualify by participating in a vigorous multi-stage process. Organizations entering the Chamber of the Year competition must meet minimum thresholds in at least three of five key performance areas in ACCE's Annual Chamber Operations Survey, including net revenue and assets, membership account retention, and membership dollar retention.

Qualifying chambers enter the competition with a written application addressing all aspects of organizational operation and programmatic work. Applications are scored by peer chamber executives to determine finalists. Winners are selected from among finalists based on an interview before a panel of experienced chamber professionals.

To ensure the fairest competition, applicants are grouped into four categories based on: annual revenue, membership, area population, and other factors.

For more than a century, the Richland Area Chamber & Economic Development has supported economic development throughout the Mansfield, Ohio, and Richland County area and offered valuable benefits to its membership by supporting business growth and building a business-friendly climate in the Richland County area. In 2022 alone, the Chamber supported 56 businesses by awarding over \$1 million in COVID grants for Food/Beverage, Tourism and Lodging in Richland County. The Chamber also supported the distribution of over \$40 million in Richland County ARPA dollars, cleared the way for redevelopment of the Westinghouse A Building brownfield site, supported the countywide housing study, partnered with Destination Mansfield – Richland County to co-lead the community branding project, raised awareness of career opportunities through the Richland Works project, and contributed to many other projects.

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In the Matter of the Adoption of Charlie Eugene Oliff

Case Number: 20235029 Richland County Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division. Charles Eugene Swearengin, III whose last know address is unknown is hereby notified that on the 16th day of May, 2023, 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: 20235029 for the adoption of Charles Eugene Swearengin IV 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 18th day of July, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock AM and the best interest hearing will be had on the 22nd of August, 2023, at 10:00 o'clock 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 ENTERED IF YOU FAIL TO TIMELY FILE AND OBJECTION AND/OR APPEAR AT THE HEARING.

KELLY L. BADNELL Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Richland County, OH (T-C 6-8, 15, 22 '23)

CITY OF ONTARIO GENERAL LABORER POSITION

The City of Ontario, an Equal Opportunity Employer, currently has an opening for a General Laborer in the Service Department. Duties may require operation of hand and power tools, heavy equipment, capable of lifting 50 pounds or more, working in inclement weather or other unpleasant conditions and call-in on short notice. Overtime is likely. A valid driver's license is required. We offer an excellent benefit package.

Applications may be picked up at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, beginning June 9, 2023, and must be returned by July 12, 2023, at 3:00 p.m., in a

sealed envelope addressed to the Civil Service Commission-General Laborer Position. Applications are available online at ontarioohio.org. The Civil Service examination for General Laborer will be held Sunday, July 16, 2023, 10:00 a.m., at the Ontario Municipal Building, 555 Stumbo Road, Ontario, Ohio, 44906.

Cathy VanAuker, MMC Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio (T-C 6-15, 22, 29 and 7-6 '23) 31L

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 June 7, 2023.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 23-08 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ONTARIO TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SHAMBAUGH CLEANING AND RESTORATION FOR A NEW INDUSTRIAL ADDITION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 5709 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE- ENTERPRISE ZONES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 23-08 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 513 DRUG ABUSE CONTROL, BY ADDING SECTION 513.18 ILLEGAL DISTRIBUTION OF OR PERMITTING CHILDREN TO USE CIGARETTES OR OTHER TOBACCO OR ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker, MMC Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio (T-C 6-15, 22 '23) 33L

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Morrow County Farm Bureau offers agricultural tour June 17

The Morrow County Farm Bureau will host a drive-it-yourself Agricultural Tour of Morrow County on Saturday, June 17. The tour begins at 12:30 pm at Fisher Ag Service and includes an aerial application service, a reining horse and cutting horse facility.

The family-friendly event is free to attend and open to the general public. Tours and demonstrations will give attendees insight on the local agricultural industry including current crop production practices and horse care and training.

The three tour stops include Fisher Ag Service, owned by Butch Fisher in Cardington; Scott McFarland Performance Horses, owned by Scott and Terri McFarland, in Mt. Gilead; and JM Cutting Horses LLC., owned by Jack McDonald, in Mt. Gilead.

Those attending should meet at Fisher Ag Service at 12:30 pm. More tour information and a map will be available there.

For more information visit morrow.ofbf.org or follow the Morrow County Farm Bureau Facebook page.







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This girl is hilarious. She will sit on command, but if you ask her to shake, she jumps up and balances on her back legs, looking at you like... "And where's my treat?"

She loves playing. She doesn't jump up a lot, although she does enjoy sprinting around.

After getting to know a person, Vivianne is very sweet and affec-

tionate and likes to be scratched and told she's a very good girl.

Vivianne can be a little timid around new people. Vivianne is around five years old and walks great on a leash. The shelter does not think Vivianne likes other dogs.

Vivianne is available at the Richland County Dog Shelter in Mansfield. Those interested in meeting him or any other dog, can contact or visit the Richland County Dog Warden's Office and Shelter. Hours are 11 am to 4:15 pm Monday–Friday and 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday.

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

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







STUDENTS FINISHED UP the school year learning about Greek culture and cuisine in Brittany Rhodes' class at Ontario High School. They made chicken gyros with tzatziki sauce.

Cost share opportunities available

Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) is partnering with the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) on cost share programs for producers who plant cover crops. In 2022, the cover crop cost share program assisted in getting cover crops planted on over 297 acres of Richland County farmland.

The application period for landowners and farmers to apply for the MWCD cover crop cost share program is open until June 30, with Richland SWCD. Enrollment is open for those landowners and farmers within the assessment zone. The 2023 MWCD Cover Crop Program cost share is \$12 per acre with a general cap per participant set at 200 acres. However, any cover crop planted in the watershed of Charles Mill or Pleasant Hill Lakes automatically qualify for funding with no cap on the acres funded. This program cannot be enrolled in another program to receive funding for the same cover crop such as EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program)

There are no exceptions to the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) seedling dates and rates. If a mix is going to be planted, the earliest seeding date of the species within the mix is the date that it must be planted by such as radishes. Wheat is allowed and can be harvested.

All landowners and producers wanting to sign up will receive \$12 per acre. A 200-acre cap applies across multiple counties if the landowner is signing up in multiple counties

The cost share program for livestock exclusion fencing runs in conjunction with two-thirds United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USF&WS) funds and one-third MWCD funds to pay 100% of actual project costs not to exceed \$10,000 per contract. These projects remove livestock access from the streams permanently to allow a buffered riparian area to become established. Applications are accepted year-round for the livestock inclusion fencing program.

To apply or get more information, contact Technician Matt Wallace at 419-747-8687 or email Wallace.Matt@RichlandSWCD.Net.