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**COMMUNITY MEMBERS** were invited to free community health screening services on July 13 provided by Richland Public Health. Cleveland Clinic brought its Mobile Mammogram Unit and offered free mammograms and other screening education. The Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund was available to speak with those attending about the services and assistance they provide.

#### RRLC ice cream social is Saturday

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).

The Richland Rural Life Center is a non-profit organization that supports 4-H and Boy/Cub Scout troops. Proceeds from dinners and events help maintain the RRLC land and facilities.

#### RPH joins with Cleveland Clinic, Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund to offer screenings, education

Article and Photos By Traci Little Richland Public Health (RPH) offered community health screening services on July 13 from 10 am until 3 pm, including blood pressure, anemia checks, blood sugar checks and cholesterol checks. Those that were registered ahead of time and needed transportation were provided with this service. Routine health screenings should be

an essential part of your health — prevention is key!

RPH teamed up with the Cleveland Clinic to bring its Mobile Mammogram Unit. The team offered free mammograms and other

screening education.

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In addition to the screenings, Richland Public Health had Medical Inflatables to walk through and learn all about colon and breast cancer prevention. Guests had the opportunity to walk through these displays where they could read more about ways to prevent these

This year during Ontario's 4th of July Festival, they featured the Medical Inflatable MEGA BODY Exhibit. This was an inflatable model which provided an educational walk-thru of the human body that both children and adults enjoyed and learned from.

They will have medical inflatables (Mega Body, Colon, and Breast) at the Heart of the City Cruise-In Car Show in Mansfield on Aug 26.

Find out more about their inflatables on facebook at https://www. facebook.com/MedicalInflatableExhibits. It's neat to see this nationally known company be represented here locally in Richland County.

Throughout the day, information was provided about mosquito prevention, tick prevention and The Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund.

100% Deet Free mosquito repellent wipes were provided and breeding prevention tablets were given out to put in any standing water. These Natular DT tablets are used to control mosquito larvae which may transmit Dengue, Chikungunya or Zika. Each tablet kills mosquito larvae for up to 60 days. These can be used in garden ponds, bird baths, rain barrels, roof gutters and any standing water

RPH gave out the informational pamphlets "Be Tick Smart" along with safe tick removers. This helpful education gives ways to protect, check, and watch out for them. The pamphlet talks about tickborne diseases in Ohio like Anaplasmosis, Ehrlichiois, Lyme disease, Babesiosis, and Rocky Mountain spotted fever. Most cases are caused by Blacklegged ticks, Lone star ticks and American Dog Tick.

The Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund had an informational table set up to tell the community what they do to help assist them. This Fund was established in memory of Mansfield resident, Pat Kracker, who lost her battle with breast cancer on her 61st birthday in 1996.

Over the years, the fund has developed a cooperative working relationship with local and state Health Departments and the Mansfield Cancer Foundation to supplement financial assistance needs of Richland County residents. They work cooperatively with the Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Northeast Ohio and the American Cancer Society to further extend breast cancer education, support and assistance to Richland County residents.

Their purpose is to educate, refer, and provide financial assistance with the cost of breast cancer related expenses. They can help by paying for screenings, diagnostic procedures, exams, wigs, prosthesis and transportation. Tax deductible donations may be made via PayPal, Credit or debit card, or by check to Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund, P.O. Box 3552, Mansfield, OH 44907. For further information on how to hold a fundraising event, contact Rhonda Breit at 419-610-4877 or by email at rbreit7@gmail.com.

Coloring books for kids were distributed which talk about things like "how are you feeling," "all about emotions," and ways to stay happy and healthy! Sometimes a child doesn't know how to identify

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## The Freight Went North

**By Bob Carter** 

When the newly built Mansfield & Sandusky City Railroad opened in 1846 as a much needed means for Mansfield and Richland County area farmers and manufactures to begin commerce to ship to the rich eastern markets. It was a boon to the locals and town along the newly-built line.

At Sandusky, the MS&S and Mad River line built docks for the great lakes ships that would carry the coming freight across Lake Erie to Buffalo and the Erie Canal and to the east.

Sandusky became a boom town. Lumber, grain, flour, salted pork and whiskey went north to the new docks. Barrels of whiskey made from distilled corn was easier to ship than bulk corn.

In 1834, Richland County had 34 distilleries in full blast. The M&SC was extended further south to Newark and thus the name change to Sandusky, Mansfield and Newark Railroad.

At Sandusky, the SM&N, which later became the B&O, had three main docks. After the main grain dock burned in 1883, a new 80,000 bushel capacity building on a new dock was finished and in operation a year later. There were three main docks jutting out into the bay. The west dock had the freight warehouse, the center was for grain and coal, and the east for lumber and ore.

In 1882, ore unloading machinery was installed on the B&O pier at Sandusky. These giant "Beckert" clam shovels were the earliest on the Great Lakes, and greatly reduced time to unload ore carriers.

A newspaper account states tonnage on the B&O docks increased from 18,000 in 1880 to 110,000 in 1884, as the cargo could go from ship to waiting rail cars.

As ships grew bigger and heavier, the shallow harbor and rocks created problems which resulted in traffic shifting to Huron or Lorain. The last ore shipments to Sandusky ended in 1910.

An early effort was made to dredge a ship channel and was not too successful. Amazingly, the dredge was powered by horses walking on a treadmill.

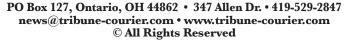
In later years, coal from southem Ohio became the main freight. A waterfront tornado in 1922 wrecked most buildings on the Sandusky waterfront including an engine house. One that may have been demolished was the lost luggage building. Most were never replaced. The Sandusky Lake shipping business slowly diminished and was mostly replaced by pleasure crafts.



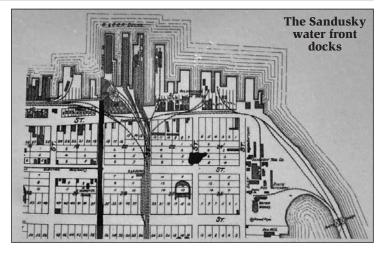
**THE B&O GRAIN DOCKS** in the 1870s — The grain warehouse burned and was built one year later.

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The Mission: Impossible franchise just keeps getting better and better and it does once again with Mission: Impossible-Dead Reckoning Part One.

Tom Cruise is back as Ethan Hunt who, along with fellow

IMF agents, is tracking a mysterious AI technology that many different parties are trying to get their hands on, specifically a key that can control it and just about any technology in the world.

Writer and director Christopher McQuarrie has been at the helm since the fifth

installment *Rogue Nation* and he and Cruise have found a terrific partnership and shown that a franchise like this (that has been going since 1996) can actually get better with each entry.

Hunt returns with his team which includes Luther (Ving Rhames), Benji (Simon Pegg) and Ilsa (Rebecca Ferguson). They travel the globe searching for the other half of this mysterious key and encounter an expert pickpocket and thief named Grace (Haley Atwell) who is along for the ride whether she likes it or not. Their scene at a crowded airport is one of many amazing action set pieces.

This movie is pretty much nonstop from the start as it opens with a harrowing scene aboard a submarine and just keeps going from there. The story is engaging, and McQuarrie is an expert writer. He won an Oscar in 1995 for *The Usual Suspects* and also co-wrote last year's *Top Gun: Maverick.* 

The action scenes in these movies keep outdoing themselves as Cruise does his own stunts and one in particular

where he rides a motorbike off a mountain and parachutes down is especially thrilling.

Also, the car chase through the streets of Italy is absolutely worth a mention. And just when you think you have seen every type of train sequence, think again.

On a personal note, the *Mission: Impossible* 

franchise has become a favorite. These movies just keep delivering and the performances are elevated too in this one where each of the main characters gets time to shine.

Pom Klementieff, who plays Mantis in the *Guardians of the Galaxy* movies, also delivers as a ruthless assassin and Shea Whigham is good as always as a CIA agent tracking down Hunt.

Tom Cruise absolutely makes movies for the theatrical experience.

I personally hope everyone gets to a theater to check out this newest *Mission: Impossible* film. It is so much fun with a great cast, amazing action and certainly sets up for what hopefully will be a thrilling part two.



## **News Briefs**

The Korean War Armistice 70th Year Commemoration (June 25, 1950 – July 27, 1953) will be recognized with the movie *Devotion*, an epic true story set during the Korean War.

The film will be shown to the public twice at no charge at The OSU Mansfield Campus' Riedl Hall on Saturday, July 29, at 11 am

and 2 pm.

A panel discussion will be moderated by Prof. Joseph Fahev at 1:30 pm. No reservations are required and there is parking nearby with no steps.

For information call 419-755-4045.

The Richland Country Korean War Veterans, Chapter 51, will be hosting a gathering with dignitaries, veterans and families to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Korean War Armistice. 300 guests are expected.

Donations are being accepted to help fund the event. Funds collected will help pay for the event space, snacks and drinks, gas money for entertainers and decorations.

The Han Wool Traditional Korean drummers and dancers from Columbus and pianist Miss Lee from Michigan will entertain.

The event will be held July 27, from 2–5 pm at the Mid-Ohio Conference Center, 890 W. 4th St., Mansfield. Veterans and the public are invited to attend but limited seating is available. RSVP to 419-989-0580. To help donate, visit https://www.gofundme.com/f/70th-anniversary-ohio-korean-war-veterans

TFC Global Ministry will host a picnic at Shelby Senior Center July 29 from 6-7:30 pm.

TFC Global has been supplying chaplaincy services at the Central Ohio Industrial Park for more than a year. The ministry has met with company contacts to provide chaplaincy services to employees and staff at the COIP complex on a weekly basis.

The ministry also is involved in converting old curbside newspaper boxes into magazine stands that are helping to get the Highway News Magazine into the hands of drivers and others.

The picnic menu is hamburgers, hotdogs, potatoes, coleslaw, chips and drinks. A freewill offering will be accepted to keep the Shelby chaplaincy services open and growing. Ministry highlights will be provided by Stanley Wertz, head chaplain with FC Global Ministry.

All community members are invited. Wertz may be reached at 717-947-8800 or stanleyw@tfcglobal.org.

Donations will help pay for TFC Global's mission to reach professional drivers and the trucking industry for Jesus Christ. Donations may be made to TFC Goobal, Box 293 Mansfield, OH, 44901.

For information visit https://www.facebook.com/tfcglobalohio.

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. The next distribution is Tuesday, July 25.

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 Aug. 16 will include turkey. Dale Powers will performs rock and roll. Cost is \$15 for the meal. Guests are welcome. For information visit www.lexasc.org. Dues are \$10 per year.

The group will meet for lunch Aug. 2 at Open Door Café in Lucas.

Little Flock Fellowship Church invites all kids ages preschool through sixth grade to attend a Vacation Bible School July 24-28 from 6-8 pm nightly. The church is located at 1149 Co. Rd. 30A, Ashland, just outside of Mifflin. There will be songs, games, snacks, Bible teaching, crafts and prizes with a cookout on Friday evening to wrap up the week. For information call the church at 419-368-7705.

The Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center will have free produce giveaways on the fourth Monday of the Month, April thru October. Dates will be 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 Lexington Depot's meal schedule for July has been released. Meals are served at the Lexington Senior Civic Center, 67 E. Main St., Lexington, from 11 am to 2 pm. The schedule is July 20 — Marzetti; July 25 — ham; and July 27 — sandwich & salad. For information call 419-884-1676.

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 (Continued on Page 4)



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provided by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. For information call the church at 419-522-0662.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will host Rev. Joan VanBecelaere at 10:30 am on July 23. She will speak on "Stories of Challenge and Change"

For more information, visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

The Fun Center Chordsmen's 2nd Annual Summer Concert featuring the Chordsmen and Quartets and director Trevor Garrabrant.

The concert will be held at Marshall Park Bandshell, 3375 Milligan Rd., Ontario, on Monday, Aug. 28, at 6:30 pm.

Dan Everly, Lowe Volk Park astronomer, will discuss the upcoming, April 8 solar eclipse on Tuesday, July 25, at 7 pm at the Crestline Public Library.

Crestline will be in the direct path of this event on Monday, April 8, 2024. People within a 124-mile-wide band in the state of Ohio will experience a total solar eclipse. Areas in Ohio that are outside the path of totality will experience a partial eclipse. A total solar eclipse is a rare and spectacular event. Eyerly will discuss the eclipse and provide safety measures for viewing. Solar glasses will be available.

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

Mr. Puppet will visit the Crestline Public Library July 25, at 10 am. All are invited to attend the performance.

The Crestline Public Library is helping the Crawford Humane Society. Library patrons can bring animal food, supplies and treats in trade for paying fines.

The Humane Society prefers Purina and Iams pet food, Milk Bones, Nyla Bones and supplies such as bleach and paper towels. This program ends July 31. All materials must be returned before fines are calculated and pet supplies should be equivalent to at least half the fine.

The three public library systems in Crawford County (Crestline, Galion and Bucyrus) have teamed up for a chance to win a prize at the end of the summer reading program, "All Together Now". Visit all three libraries, ask for the library button and once all three buttons are collected, show them at one of the libraries and be entered for a prize. This program ends Aug. 1, 2023.

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# 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)

#### **Lexington Presbyterian Church**

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

#### Mansfield 1st EPC

399 Trimble Rd., Mansfield
419-756-7066 • www.mansfield1st.com
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

## First Federal Bank of Ohio THE RIGHT LOAN. THE RIGHT BANK.

#### **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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#### G & M Body & Paint Shop

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## Chief Pauley's retirement recognized by Lexington Council

Lexington Village Council met June 5 and was called to order by Mayor Brian White. Attending the meeting were Adam Gongwer, Bob Jarvis, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise.

Also present were Attorney John Studenmund, Chief Brett Pauley, Captain Troy Weaver and Village Administrator Andrew Smallstey.

Greg DeKrell, owner of Complete Access of 144 Plymouth St., requested permanent easement located on the backside of his property. An easement would allow a wider area for semi-trailers who are loading or delivering. DeKrell has a survey and will have prepared paperwork to meet with the planning commission on June 28.

David Morgenstern of Delaware St. is an avid walker of the bike trail and has noted the difficulties the trucks have experienced.

Brian Moore, representative for Blueberry Festival Committee, requested a parade permits for Aug. 17, from Walnut Drive to Park Drive; and Aug. 20, from Lexington High School to Clever St. to Frederick St. onto Plymouth St. to Community Park.

He also requested approval for sponsor banners on the skate park fence and yard signs in the park with festival dates starting Wednesday Aug. 16. Approval was also requested for OhioHealth banners lining the row between Plymouth St. and the ballfields.

A noise ordinance waiver was requested for Aug. 17, 18 and 19, until midnight. Council approved all that was requested.

A motions was approved to replace 326.5 hours of sick leave for Officer Davis. Chief Pauley stated this would also include the \$600 bonus for not using sick leave.

Councilman O'Brien, as head of Safety Service, thanked Chief Brett Pauley for his service and dedication to the police department.

Administrator Andrew Smallstey reported that the public fill station, at 205 S.Mill St., is complete and available for use. Users will be able to access water and pay simultaneously.

A contract has been signed for the 2023 Street Resurfacing project with Kokosing. Streetlight poles that have been out since winter have been repaired. The malfunction was found in front of the former bank property located at E. Main and S. Mill Streets.

Smallstey congratulated the chief on his upcoming retirement, "We have spent 31 years of service to the village together in various capacities. We experienced many ups and downs, significant challenges, and enlightening moments over the years. Working for him and with him, I am a better person as a result of both. I wish him the best as he moves into a new phase and exciting time."

Chief Pauley will be presented two separate checks for his retirement buy-out. Pauley thanked council for allowing him to work for over 31 years with the village. A cake reception was held after the meeting.



THE NEWLY CROWNED Miss Ontario Jaslyn Lopez stopped by The Ontario Lions Club's food trailer at TSC in Ontario over the weekend.

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Councilman O'Brien asked if parking stripes, benches and other items will be added at the former Decker's Depot. Smallstey said the task is not completed. When finished, there will be tables. planters and other items.

Councilman Little had several sheds in violation. Needing correction are 187 Foxcroft, 121 Woodside and the corner of Sherwood Dr. and Lexington/Ontario Rd. The house on Short St. still has a window violation. Smallstey reported that housing is under a different authority. Gongwer commented that a plumbing inspection had been made to a permitting agency.

Councilman Wise requested the crosswalk at Sherwood Dr. and Plymouth St. be revamped. Wise also asked for another crosswalk where the soccer fields and baseball fields come together. Smallstey will review laws regarding crosswalks and install with thermoplastics. Council President Jarvis commended Smallstey on the monthly expense report.

The village held an Arbor Day celebration on May 19, recognizing village resident Lew Ryan. A tree was also planted at the square.

Sixty letters have been sent out inviting all to join the new Steering Committee revitalizing our East Main Corridor.

The name of the joint Village/Township Cemetery will be changed from Lexington Union Cemetery, A.K.A. Lexington Cemetery Association, to Lexington-Troy Township Union Cemetery. This is subject to Troy Township approval.

Councilman O'Brien thanked Councilman Kearns for his extensive work and dedication to the Cemetery Board. O'Brien commented that it was a mess prior to Wynn's help.

Councilman Little asked that the Planning Commission or Rules and Personnel review the village ordinance regarding the number of sheds. Little thinks that allowing two sheds is too much. Smallstey commented there are two guidelines that are in conflict, one states one shed and the other states two sheds.

## Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Lucas Joseph Garverick, July 3 Julie Kay Hershberger, July 4 Lilah Mott, July 5 Gary Martin Cooper, July 8 Betty Jean Snyder, July 9 Stephen D Fultz, July 11 Ronald Michael Klupp, July 11

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## Museum hosts largest display of Titanic artifacts in the world

Photos and Article By Jenna Wolford

As we continue with our series of Smoky Mountain articles, we will focus on possibly the most iconic ship in all of history.

Of course I am talking about the Titanic, and Pigeon Forge is home to the world's largest Titanic museum attraction.

The Titanic has always been a point of fascination for me so I was really looking forward to visiting Titanic Pigeon Forge.

I previously visited a traveling Titanic exhibit in St. Louis, but this was my first visit to a permanent museum dedicated to the R.M.S Titanic.

As we arrived, there was no mistaking we were at the right place. The entrance to the museum is adjoined to a half-scale replica of the front half of the infamous ship. It was constructed using the original plans used by Harland & Wolff to build the Titanic.

The outside setting also includes an iceberg on the starboard side and is surrounded by water which gives the effect of the ship sailing through the water. In front of the museum is a replica of Titanic's center anchor which weighed 8.84 tons.

The more than 400 genuine Titanic artifacts found inside are valued at over \$4 million and hold documented evidence of provenance. None have been altered, forged, stolen or looted, and not one was retrieved from the wreck site on the floor of the North Atlantic. I was relieved to find that every item on display, including those on loan from private collectors, either was carried off the ship and into a lifeboat or was recovered from the floating debris field after the sinking.

Upon entering the museum, we were provided cards containing the name and biographical information of a real life Titanic passenger. This allows guests to look for their passenger among the museum artifacts and exhibits.

As we began our self-guided tour, we

were provided with personal audio speakers that look similar to a TV remote which guests hold to their ear like a telephone. As we wound our way through the museum we pushed the indicated button and the audio would speak about the item, photo or history. The audio also included interviews with actual passengers and their descendants as well as facts about the ship, passengers and cargo.

A "Youth Tour" version made it more relatable to the younger crowd. Children are also invited to participate in a museum scavenger hunt to find facts about the ship and its maiden voyage.

The first room of the museum allows guests to become aquatinted with the layout of the ship and discover where passengers were housed and enjoyed their meals. Construction photos gave a timeline for the building of the great ship.

As we moved through the first floor, artifacts included White Star Line tableware and a copper bracelet damaged during the

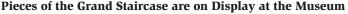
sinking which had belonged to 13 year-old Madeleine Mellenger, who was on her way to Vermont. The collection also pays tribute to the Jewish passengers and crew and includes Kosher plates and silverware. Other cases display various dishes and platters including a milk-glass souvenier plate rescued from the sinking by second class pasenger Selena Rogers Cook. Among the other posessions she escaped with were a second class dinner plate, a change purse, a tortoiseshell comb and a tooth she had removed while aboard the Titanic.

A display I found very fascinating was a case contatining a piece of the grand staircase railing and two other pieces of wood from the iconic six-deck-tall staircase. These were found floating as driftwood after the sinking.

Irish craftsman Thomas McCauley's woodworking tools, which he used on thefine cabinetry and trim as an employee of (Continued on Page 7)









## •Museum hosts largest display of Titanic artifacts in the world

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Harland & Wolff Shipyards, were also on display.

A chart gave intersting stats about items aboard the ship. Cargo included 2,200 pounds of coffee, 10,000 pounds of sugar, 40 tons of potatoes and 12,000 dinner plates.

As a photographer, I was captivated by a room of photos taken by Francis Mary Hegarty Browne SJ. His are the only photos of the ship with passengers aboard.

He boarded the Titanic on April 10 and sailed from South Hampton, England to Queensland, Ireland where he disembarked April 11 to finish his vacation in Ireland.

In his collection he captured the only photo of a child aboard the Titanic, Robert Douglas Spedden, age 6. He also took the only photograph of Captain Smith on the Titanic, a shot looking up at him from beneath lifeboat #1.

In 1960, when he passed away, the negatives were deposited into the Archives of the Irish Jesuits in Dublin and were not discovered for another 25 years. To have the impact of snapping those few photos and not realizing the significance they would have is amazing to think about.

We were able to see a third class cabin which contained two sets of bunks, a small sink and mirror in a cramped true-to-size space.

A highlight of our visit was the Grand Staircase which was expertly crafted using the original Harland & Wolff plans. The original staircase onboard the Titanic led from first class dining to the promenade deck and was lit from above with natural light through the glass dome. It had gold-plated crystal lights and columns of polished oak. The 17th Century-style cherub lamp support was a main focus as was the clock surrounded by the two figures symbolizing honor and glory crowing time.

The staircase at the museum cost over \$1 million to build and is the only one in the world that accommodates visitors. I was surprised to learn that the flooring was made of a new and very valuable material at the time — linoleum — which was even more expensive than gold.

We made our way to the top floor by ascending the grand staircase and found ourselves in a replica of the first class parlour suite of Mr. and Mrs. Strauss, co-owner of Macy's Department Store. This room showed just how extravagant travel on the Titanic could be. These were like mini-homes themselves.

A beautiful item displayed in this room is a gold Waltham Case pocket watch valued at \$500,000 inscribed with "JJA" for John Jacob Astor. Jacob's wife Madeleine's life jacket was also on display in a nearby room. It is one of only three in existence that can be linked directly to a specific person.

As we continued the tour, we found ourselves in a first-class hallway. Using mirrors, it looks like the hallway is endless, much like the massive ship must have seemed in 1912.

A room is dedicated to the musicians aboard the ship and dis-

plays photos and small biographies of each.

A special exhibit, the Children of the R.M.S. Titanic, opened in March and will remain open for the year. The exhibit gives special attention to the 135 children on board Titanic, with ages ranging from 9 weeks to 15 years. Only 67 of these children survived. The special display also features children's clothing from 1912.

Guests are invited to the bridge to stand at the wheel and look out into the vast Atlantic. This room also includes information on what was to be Captain Smith's retirement



John Jacob Astor's Pocketwatch

voyage after 26 years with the White Star

Just outside is a chance for visitors to place their hand in the icy cold 28 degree water to experience a small taste of what the passengers had to endure that fateful night.

Interactive elements also include three deck slopes which allow guests to experience what it was like to try to walk and hang on at the various inclines that ended in the Titanic's sinking in such a short time. Deck slopes include 12 degrees, 30 degrees and 45 degrees and have details and approximate times to correspond with the inclines.

Guests can sit in a lifeboat replica, cut in half, and hear stories of those fortunate enough to be aboard them. Looking at these, it's heartbreaking to realize how many more could have been saved if filled to capacity. Survivors totaled just 706 when there was the ability to hold 1,178. The number lost has never been officially designated, but it is estimated to be between 1,490 and 1,517.

A hands-on exhibit allows kids to steer the Titanic to see if they can stay clear of the iceberg. Another exhibit explains the boating knots commonly used and another teaches how to send an S.O.S. distress signal.

A few items I found especially unique were a poster announcing Titanic's safe return and a post office telegraph from Joseph Podesto stating he was safe after the sinking. He was a fireman/coal trimmer/handler who was off duty at the time of the collision with the iceberg.

At the end of our tour, we could see if

At the end of our tour, we could see if the passenger we were assigned survived. Everyone else in my family survived, but I had second class passenger Annie Funk, 38, who went down with the ship.

John Joslyn, owner of the Titanic Museum Attraction in Pigeon Forge, visited the Titanic wreckage in 1987, just two years after the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute had discovered Titanic.

The 6 million dollar dive expedition to the site of the sinking allowed the team to spend 44 days at sea and dive to the site 32 times. The team returned with hundreds of hours of images which formed the framework of *Return to Titanic...Live!*, a two-hour television special that he co-produced with partner Doug Lewelyn. This special became the second highest rated live TV documentary ever.

Joslyn has dedicated his career to Titanic and the 2,208 passengers and crew aboard its tragic maiden voyage. It started with TV shows and became permanent Titanic Museum Attractions in Branson, MO and Pigeon Forge, TN. He describes the museums as "Living Theatre" allowing guests to not just see, but experience.

The museum is endorsed by the world-famous Titanic Historical Society and is an internationally recognized living museum that holds the largest display of Titanic artifacts anywhere.

Titanic Pigeon Forge is located at 2134 Parkway in Pigeon Forge. For information call 800-381-7670 or visit https://titanicpigeonforge.com.



### •RPH joins with Cleveland Clinic and Pat Kracker Breast Cancer Fund to offer screenings and education to community

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which emotion they are feeling and why. This creative coloring book talks about different emotions in a safe and fun way.

On behalf of Alliance of Therapy Dogs, Carol Moore brought her therapy dog, Tesla, who is a six-year-old Doberman.

A Doberman can make an excellent therapy dog when the breed is properly trained and socialized. They bring joy and happiness to many people in need. Tesla made her appearance in a sparkly red tutu, which made for a fun and memorable visit.

Carol and Tesla enjoy their therapy work. They work with stressed individuals and try to understand how they are dealing with their situations. "

It's just a quick break for them to come over and pet a dog and not think about the problems they might be going through at this time," said Carol. For more information about this service, call 1-877-843-7364.

There was a table full of free Flowflex COVID-19 Antigen Home tests and information on what to do when the test reports positive or negative.

Those who filled out a short survey were provided with a free Deterra Drug Disposal Pouch. These are bags help to safely dispose of medications from home. To use, simply tear open the pouch and place unused medications inside. Fill it halfway with warm water and wait 30 seconds. Seal the pouch tightly, gently shake and dispose of it with normal trash. Safely disposing of medications helps prevent misuse and overdoses in the community and protects thew environment. Flushing medications does not deactivate them and can be unsafe for the water and septic system. These pouches are a quick and easy way to dispose of unneeded pills, patches and liquids.



#### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

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Richland Rural Life Center 969 E. Crall Rd., Mansfield Richland Public Health has Narcan training online. To request a free kit, visit https://richlandhealth.org/narcan-training/ or call 419-774-4550 to schedule a one-on-one in-person training.

The Children with Medical Handicaps Program (CMH) aims to held child with special health care needs. CMH is a health care program in the Ohio Department of Health. It links families of children with special health care needs to a network of quality providers and helps families obtain payments for services their child needs. CMH can help with diagnostic, treatment and service coordinator programs.

Programs are offered to pregnant women and new moms including prenatal home visits, newborn home visits and free cribettes.

Prenatal home visits can help give information on how to get referrals to preventative care, plan for a healthy delivery, plan for post-partum care and learn parent/infant bonding skills.

Newborn home visits can provide breastfeeding help, pre- and post-feeding weigh-ins done at home, help with postpartum depression and checks of a baby's milestones. Home visits are offered to all families despite income or socioeconomic status.

Those in need of a cribette can call 419-774-4540 to learn qualifications. A cribette is a portable and safe place for a baby to sleep. It's easy to set up and take down. The bassinet is removeable and the initial set up can be done by a RPH Nurse. These programs are funded by levy dollars and Richland County Youth and Family Council.

Visit RPH at https://richlandhealth.org/ for more information on these and other programs offered.







#### Ohio taking comprehensive look at transportation system needs

With rapid economic growth happening throughout the state, Governor Mike DeWine put funding into the recent transportation budget to allow the Ohio Department of Transportation to conduct a \$10 million study to look at the state's transportation needs now and into the future. The consulting team has been selected and the study will launch in August.

"Our state's economic engine is in high gear, and we want to ensure that our transportation system is fully aligned with that growth," said Governor Mike DeWine. "This study will show us where we need to be making investments to keep us moving forward.'

The Ohio Department of Transportation is working with the Ohio Department of Development and the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to analyze statewide and regional demographics, investigate economic development growth opportunities, examine current transportation systems and capacities, and forecast passenger and freight travel needs over the next 10, 20 and 30 years.

"Our mission is to provide a transportation system that is safe, ac-

cessible, well maintained, and positioned for the future," said ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks. "This study is key to these efforts."

This effort will begin with a "stress test" look at the transportation system. It will analyze existing and future conditions for safety, congestion, condition, reliability, and resilience concerns. It will also consider changes in population and economic development.

Companies looking to relocate to or expand in Ohio recognize the importance of Ohio's integrated transportation infrastructure in allowing them to reach customers and suppliers quickly and efficiently," said Ohio Department of Development Director Lydia Mihalik. "As we continue to pave the way for even more economic growth across the state, we must stay ahead of the game in meeting the transportation needs of today and tomorrow."

The study, which will be completed in late 2024, will be led by Cambridge Systematics, a national expert in transportation analysis along with an experienced team of consultants.

## **Richland County Fair** August 6-12, 2023

#### **GRANDSTAND EVENTS:**

Sunday: Harness Racing, 5:30 pm, Free Monday: Harness Racing, 5:30 pm, Free

Wednesday: Rodeo, 6 pm.

Free Grandstand • \$10 Reserved Seats

Thursday: OSTPA Tractor Pull, 7 pm

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Friday: Motocross 6 pm • Free Grandstand

\$10 Pit or Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

Saturday: Demolition Derby, 5 pm

Free Grandstand • \$10 Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

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## Ontario prepares to welcome back students next month

The Ontario Local Schools Board of Education met July 11.

The board approved employment of certificated staff personnel for the 2023-'24 school year including Ashley Cooke, Stingel kindergarten teacher, \$55,544; and Camryn Hoffman, middle school intervention specialist, \$42,674.

Jeremiah Stone was employed as the District Technology Technician on a two-year administrative contract beginning with the coming school year, \$53,000.

The board approved a new District Technology Technician job description and revisions to the Administrators/Central Office Staff/ Other Administrators Salary and Fringe Benefit Agreement.

The board approved the employment of Lisa Beard as a Stingel 2 1/2 hour cook, \$7,999 for the 2023-'24 school year.

The retirement of Lori Santmyer was accepted, effective on Aug. 31. She has driven bus for 33 years.

A lease agreement was approved for purchasing ipads and the revision of the 2023-'24 school year calendar was also approved.







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Teacher inservice day was changed from Oct. 6 to Sept. 29.

The middle school open house time changed to Aug. 16, from 6-7:30 pm.

The Solar Eclipse remote learning day will be April 8.

The board approved a change in funds in the amount of \$5,325 for the 2023-'24 school year.

Extended school year services were granted to Hannah Liska and Lauren Reichenbach, both for nine hours at \$22.50 per hour.

Donations were accepted from Donna Boyette, \$800 for baseball: Precision Technologies (Pete Dzugan), \$500 for baseball; Charities Aid Foundation America, State Farm, \$700 for Field Day 2024; and anonymous, \$2,000 football donation.

Jerod Them gave a Legislative Liaison Report.

The next board of education meeting will be held on Aug. 8, at 7 pm in the Ontario High School Library.

Upcoming calendar dates include:

Aug. 15, Stingel open house (grades AM Pre-K, grades K-2, 5-6 pm/ PM Pre-K, grades 3-5, 6-7 pm)

Aug.15, high school open house (6:30-7:30 pm)

Aug.16, middle school open house, 6-7:30 pm (sixth grade, 6-7 pm/ seventhth and eighth grade, 6:30-7:30 pm)

Aug. 17, first day of classes for grades K-12 Aug. 21, first day of classes for preschool

#### **Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist** program accepting applications

The Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist (OCVN) program is an environmental and natural resources outreach and service program led by Ohio State University Extension in collaboration with the Richland County sponsoring partners at the Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Richland County Park District, and Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District(MWCD)-Pleasant Hill Lake Park.

The mission is to promote awareness and stewardship of Ohio's environment and natural resources through science-based education and community service. The OCVN education course helps participants gain practical knowledge of Ohio's diverse ecology, environmental education, and interpretation techniques, and the skills needed to participate in education and outreach, community science, program support, and stewardship activities.

The OCVN program requirements include a 40-hour education course at an approved location followed by 40 hours of volunteer service and/or continuing education with a nonprofit agency or organization. The participant selects where to volunteer but should be with a nonprofit organization and/or agency with a compatible program mission. The volunteer service must be completed in Ohio.

To maintain certification, participants can volunteer and/or participate in 30 hours of continuing education. The continuing education should be with an agency or organization with a compatible mission but does not need to be in Ohio. Participants can also choose to take the course, but not volunteer.

Visit https://ocvn.osu.edu/home for information.

The Richland County Class will start Aug. 15, with a final date of Sept. 26. This is an in-person 40-hour course with readings/homework. Meeting days will be seven Tuesdays 6-9 pm and three Saturdays 9 am to 4 pm.

The fee for the course is \$125 and scholarships may be available for those with financial need. During this course, volunteers will engage in place-based, hands-on outdoor learning, led by the area's leading naturalists and outdoor educators.

Learning locations will include Pleasant Hill Lake Park, Mohican State Park, Gorman Nature Center, Camp Nuhop and the Ohio Bird Sanctuary. Also included in the course fee are an official OCVN manual, exclusive access to OSU's course content instructional videos, and supper every Tuesday night. This course will be limited to 20 participants, apply early. The deadline for application is Aug. 1.

To apply, contact OSU Extension-Richland County, Attn: Dr. Judy Villard Overrocker, 1495 W. Longview Ave., Suite 206, Mansfield, OH 44906, email villard.1@osu.edu or call 419-747-8755.

### **New Ohio legislation makes** MCS accessible for all

"A major victory for families in Ohio!" says Dr. Cy Smith MCS Superintendent. "Finally, after decades of lobbying, every student in Ohio will be eligible for a scholarship to attend the school of their choice. Regardless of where you live, your family income, or the report card of the local school district. Sending your children to a private school is now an option for everyone. We are so thankful to our legislators, both locally and statewide, who supported this bill and diligently worked with us to make this happen.'

This has been made available because of the passage of HB33, new legislation, which has expanded the voucher program. Every family will qualify for a scholarship. The expansion will allow parents to finally access the best educational fit for their child. This is a pivotal opportunity that has come at the perfect time for those interested in private education.

The state budget goes into effect immediately, so all students are eligible for a scholarship this upcoming school year.

We anticipate that for Christian families in our area who have been unable to access Mansfield Christian because of financial commitments, choosing an education that aligns with their Christian values will be a high priority this fall," said Dr. Smith. "Christian families have tremendous concerns about what their children are learning in school and without the cost barrier, we anticipate that many parents will investigate a well-established, high-quality, private school like Mansfield Christian for their children.

The scholarship amount varies on a sliding scale. Everyone receives some level of funding. Families with income at or below 450% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) or a family of four with a total household income of \$135,000 is eligible for the maximum amount. Families with incomes above the 450% qualify at a prorated amount.

Tuition at Mansfield Christian is just below the voucher amount in the high school and just above the voucher amount in grades K–8.

"Whether it is a family that has sacrificed for years to make Christian education a reality, or a family new to Christian education, this guaranteed financial help is an incredible blessing for everyone and is essentially an answer to prayer for so many. We are anxious to meet families that are aligned with our mission and prioritize the biblical worldview," said Dr. Smith.

Inquire soon as there are limited openings available. Interested families should contact the admission's director, Stacy Craner, at 419-756-5651 ext 239 or craner.stacy@mcsflames.org. To begin the application process as soon as possible visit www.mcsflames.org and click "Apply Now."

Mansfield Christian School was founded in 1961 to partner with Christian families and their churches to educate their children. The school's academics are rooted in a biblical worldview.

## Celebration moved to Sept. 7

Richland SWCD and Richland County Farm Bureau are partnering to combine their annual celebrations this year into one joint celebration. The celebration will be held at Kehoe Center, 175 Mansfield Ave in Shelby beginning at 6 pm, doors open at 5:30 pm.

This year's guest speaker is Reverend Paul Lintern. Reverend Lintern will provide a program on the natural history of Richland County and share what makes our county special.

The celebration is open to the public and includes dinner. The cost is \$20 per person and reservations are requested by Aug. 24. Reservations may be made at https://richlandswcd.net/event/annu-

Richland SWCD was named the Ohio District of the Year and is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. The past year will be celebrated, and the Cooperator of the Year and Volunteer of the Year will be recognized.

Eligible voters may cast their vote for two open Board Supervisor positions from 5:30-6:30 pm at the celebration. The nominees are Brian Alt, Rick Novak, and Greg Timberlake. Absentee voting will be held during normal business hours starting August 9 and runs through Sept. 7 at noon at the Richland SWCD office. Farm Bureau members will vote on guiding policies, code changes and elect trustees and delegates at the Ohio Farm Bureau Annual Meeting for 2024.

## Tribune Forum

The Ontario Lions Club would like to thank the following donating businesses who made the Pancake Day April 1, another special day and also to businesses who made the 70th Charter Night Anniversary a very special night with some nice gifts for members and guests: ABC Warehouse, Alta Florist and Greenhouse, Altitude Trampoline Park, Applebee's Grill & Bar, Athens Greek Restaurant, Bob & Bob Door Co., Brian and Michelle Gates State Farm Insurance, The Cap Place, El Campestre, Goodyear, Graham's Auto Mall, Harbor Freight, Home Depot, Knapp Landscaping, Mid-Ohio Mind, Body, & Soul, Millie's Music Studio, Musick Service Station Maintenance, Oak Tree Golf Club, 'Charlies Restaurant & Bar, Ollie's Bargain Outlet, Park National Bank, Red Lobster, Reflections Salon & Spa, Sutton Bank, Texas RoadHouse, Thrive Nutrition Studio, Tribune-Courier and Lion Randy Hanlon.

Again Thank you to all the businesses and to all the customers and we hope to see all of you Saturday, Nov. 4, from 6:30 am to

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Lions Club can contact any member.

President Lion Jim Henry and The Ontario Lions Members

### News Briefs in Education

Kaylee Calhoun, a resident of Ontario, has been named to the Spring 2023 Dean's List at Berea College.

A student is named to the dean's list who achieves a GPA of 3.4 or higher while passing at least four total credits, a course load equivalent to 16 semester hours.

Ciara C Baddour of Mansfield graduated from Columbus State Community College on May 12, 2023.

Students named to the 2023 Spring Semester Dean's List at Columbus State Community College include Laura Drake of Lexington; and Sean Asquith, Haley Shepherd, Lauren Adkins, Emily Atwell, Ciara Baddour, Shelby Martin and Anna Parr, all of Mansfield.

To be named to the list, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and be enrolled for six or more credit hours.

Makenna Williams of Mansfield was named to the Dean's List at Coastal Carolina University. Students who make the list have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher (3.25 for freshmen) for the semester.

Coastal Carolina University is located in Conway, S.C.

To have news included in the Tribune, email to news@tribune-courier.com or contact the public relations team at the college or university to have it sent directly.



## Pioneer BOE planning for upcoming school year

The Pioneer Board of Education met July 12, and voted to adopt handbooks for the 2023–'24 School year.

The board approved contracted services for the 2023–'24 school year including Performing Arts Adjunct instructors David Crane, Dauphne Maloney, Aaron Nicolas and Lori Turner; and social worker/mental health counselor, Dr. Michael Patton.

The board approved an agreement with MOESC for SPARC Council Career Coach services for the 2023–'24 school year.

College-Credit Plus courses were also approved for the coming school year.

The board approved Course Curriculum for the 2023–'24 school year including American Government, ½ course credit; Financial Literacy, ½ course credit; and Economics & Financial Literacy, ½ course credit.

The board approved a Career Awareness Use of Funds plan for the upcoming school year and an agreement with Source Brands for Marketing Services for FY 24.

Avita Health Systems was approved as the medical facility site for physicals for van and bus drivers.

Cost of cafeteria prices were set to breakfast: \$1.25, reduced breakfast: \$0.30; lunch: \$3; reduced lunch: \$0.40; adult lunch, \$4; and milk purchased outside of lunch, \$0.50.

The board approved revisions to policy and administrative guidelines as well as revisions to the hourly pay schedule for employees not covered by the master agreement.

A \$60 donation was accepted from Dawn Wright-Smith, Blackbaud Giving Fund, Charleston, SC; which will be deposited in the Alumni Endowment fund and used for annual student scholarships.

The board approved employment of a part-time dance instructor (as needed) for the Performing Arts Program effective Aug. 17, 2023 through May 24, 2024.

The board approved a mileage allowance for Emma Jenkins, math instructor for Performing Arts students for the 2023–'24 school year.

Stipend contracts were approved for 5-day and 10-day in-service education workshops for certificated personnel.

Career coaches, substitute instructors and substitute classified personnel were hired for the 2023–'24 school year.

The resignation of Beth Hildreth, Career Coach at Galion City Schools, was accepted.

Brittany VanDine was hired as A high school education aide; beginning Aug. 14, 2023.

The board approved employment of student workers for the Early Childhood Education program for thecoming school year.

A Consulting Agreement with Learn & Hostetler, LLC was accepted for the LPN Nursing program.

Mike Grady was nominated as the official delegate and Bill Hope as alternate to the annual OSBA business meeting and conference to be held in Columbus, Nov. 12–14, 2023.

The board entered into executive session to consider the employment of a public employee or official.

### St. Peter's announces concert

St. Peter's Music Series has announced that it will host the National French Boys Choir, Maitrise des Hauts de France, under the direction of widely known and respected Mr. Jerome Cupelli, in a performance of sacred and classical music at 7 pm on July 22 at St. Peter's Catholic Church, 60 S. Mulberry St.

The concert is a return performance. The choir was last at St.Peter's in 2015.

Mr. Cupelli has been the Director of Maitrise des Hauts de France since 2010

Through the many concerts performed the world over, the Maîtrise des Hauts de France strives to convey its continuous search for quality in the performance of the polyphonic repertoire devoted to children's voices.

Admission to the concert is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be taken up to support the choir on their tour. For information call 419-524-2572, ext. 2113.



Information Technology Specialist Certification, Logan O'Brien, Alex Brumenshenkel, Logan Myer and Nicholas Murphy



Microsoft Office Specialist-Associate Certification, front, Hailey Sheppard, Alex Brumenshenkel, Logan Myer; and back, Aron Whited, Alexander Long, Jacob Derr and Nicholas Murphy

## KCCC seniors earn Microsoft and IT Specialist Certifications

The Knox County Career Center (KCCC) had seven seniors who earned Microsoft Office Specialist–Associate and four seniors who earned Information Technology Specialist certifications.

The seniors who earned the Microsoft Office Specialist–Associate & Information Technology Specialist certifications are from the Computer Network Technology (CNT) program at KCCC.

The students who earned the Microsoft Office Specialist–Associate Certification were Hailey Sheppard, Alex Brumenshenkel, Logan Myer, Aron Whited, Alexander Long, Jacob Derr and Nicholas Murphy.

The Information Specialist Certification was earned by Logan O'Brien, Alex Brumenshenkel, Logan Myer, and Nicholas Murphy.

An individual earning a Microsoft Office Specialist certification has approximately 150 hours of instruction and hands-on experience with the product, has proven competency at an industry associate level, and is ready to enter the job market. They can demonstrate the correct application of the principal features of Word and PowerPoint.

The Information Technology Specialist certification is a way for individuals to validate foundational IT skills sought after by employers. The IT Specialist program is aimed at candidates who are considering or just beginning a path to a career in information technology.

Candidates can certify their knowledge in a broad range of IT topics, including software development, database administration, networking and security, mobility and device management, and coding.

In order to earn these certifications, each student had to pass a proctored exam with no access to learning materials or the Internet. This certification is recognized by the Ohio Department of Education and the Information Technology (IT) industry as a recognized credential.





THE WARRIORETTES performed during the Ontario 4th of July Festival held at Marshall Park on Friday, June 30 and Saturday, July 1.

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## Students complete first co-enrollment class

Students Alicia Galilei, Veronica Moore, and De'Shawn Sharpe are the first students co-enrolled at Mansfield Adult Education and Madison Adult Career Center to complete the Customer and Office Support Technology (C.O.S.T) program at Mansfield City's Adult Education — located at 150 W. Fifth St. Veronica also received her Ohio Adult High School Diploma.

The program, is free for anyone without a high school diploma, and is open to any student. Students who already possess a high school diploma or GED, may qualify for grants. The program teaches customer service and computer skills. Students complete the course with certifications in NRF Customer Service & Sales, Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook. Once students pass WorkKeys tests, and meet all components of the C.O.S.T program, they will also earn and receive their Ohio High School Diploma.

De'Shawn Sharpe first came to Mansfield Adult Education for free GED tutoring and passed all

four sections of the GED, earning his Ohio High School Equivalency Diploma before enrolling in the C.O.S.T program. Though Sharpe was not a traditional Adult Diploma Student at the start of the class, the program was still made available to him at no cost through community funds. "I would recommend this program to everyone in need of a diploma or just looking for the next step in advancing their education," Sharpe said.

Madison Adult Career Center is one of the leading adult Ohio Technical Centers in our area, having served adult learners and employers for over 40 years. The Mansfield Adult Education Aspire program is not far behind, having also served adult learners and employers for nearly 40 vears, and provides free tutoring for entrance testing required by area education providers.

Those interested in a future C.O.S.T program or any other adult education program provided by either Mansfield Adult Education or Madison Adult Career Center, call Mansfield Adult Education at 419-525-6380 or visit their website for more informa-

Mansfield Adult Education is federally-funded through the Ohio Aspire grant and is fiscally managed by Mansfield City Schools, serving students in Richland, Ashland and Crawford Counties.

#### Six tips given to keep pets safe during storms

While no one is immune from the devastation of a natural disaster, preparing before a storm is key to keeping everyone in your family - including your pets — safe.

Here are six ideas to help include pet safety when mapping out a disaster preparedness plan.

•Have pets microchipped. Collars and ID tags, though important, can break or detach. Microchips are more fool-proof since they're inserted under your pet's skin.

 Bring pets inside at the first sign of danger. Disasters can be disorienting for pets, and they could run away or hurt themselves reacting to loud noises and strange changes to their landscape. Also, rain, flying debris and high winds pose a danger.

•Determine where you'll go. You need a Plan B if you are advised by government officials to leave your home. Not all emergency shelters will accept pets and physical distancing guidelines may reduce capacity in public shelters. Make a plan and develop a list of pet-friendly hotels open for business and outside your immediate area that you might evacuate to.

 Create a pet-friendly resource list. Research a list of veterinarians in the area should your pet need medical care (your regular vet may have some recommendations).

 Pack an emergency bag well in advance of a catastrophe. Choose an easy-to-carry bag and pack a pet first aid kit; enough food and bottled water for a week; medications (check periodically to ensure medicines don't expire); cleanup supplies; food and water dishes; bags (or litter for cats) for collecting waste; an extra collar and leash; photocopies of medical records; towels; recent photos of your pets; and a favorite toy.

## CLASSIFIEDS

#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held before Council of the City of Ontario, during the regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at the Ontario Municipal Building, upon a proposal to rezone 12 parcels, located at 1943 – 2103 Park Avenue West, from Office Service to Business.

Parcel Numbers: 0386022908001. 0386022909000, 0386090007001, 0386022114000. 0386021411000 0386021413000.

386016007001, 0386022908000. 0386021112001, 0386021518012, 0386021911000. 0386021412000,

Planning Commission has recommended in favor of this rezone. All persons interested in this issue are invited to attend and express their

> Cathy VanAuker, MMC Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio (T-C 7-13, 20 '23) 24L

#### **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 July 12, 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. 23-09 - RESO-LUTION ADOPTING THE TAX REV-ENUE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMER-

RESOLUTION NO. 23-10 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE, SER-VICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT(S) WITH REVEILLE TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF ONTARIO, AND DECLAR-ING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 23-10 - AN OR-DINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER
333 OVI; WILLFUL MISCONDUCT; SPEED, BY ADDING SECTION 333.021- TEXTING WHILE DRIVING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

> Cathy VanAuker, MMC Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio (T-C 7-20, 27 '23) 35L

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