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THE ST. MARY OF THE SNOWS FAMILY FESTIVAL was held Sunday, Aug. 6 at the church, 1630 Ashland Rd., Madison area. The festival included face painting, games, food, a flea market, a cake wheel and raffle prizes. *(More Photos on Page 8)*

Walk to End Alzheimer's coming to NCSC campus September 16

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio, is inviting residents from Ashland, Crawford, Knox and Richland counties to join the fight to end Alzheimer's by participating in the North Central Ohio Walk to End Alzheimer's® at the North Central State Campus/Health Sciences Building in Mansfield on September 16, 2023.

On walk day, participants honor those affected by Alzheimer's with the poignant Promise Garden ceremony — a mission-focused experience that signifies solidarity in the fight against the disease. The colors of the Promise Garden flowers represent people's connection to Alzheimer's — their personal reasons to end the disease.

"We're closer than ever to stopping Alzheimer's," said Amy Crislip, event co-chair. "We hope that everyone in our community can join us by starting a team to help the Alzheimer's Association raise awareness and funds for families facing the disease today. Together, we can take more steps toward improving treatments and finally ending this disease," added Janny Nauman, Walk Co-Chair.

More than 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease — a leading cause of death in the United States. Additionally, more than 11 million family members and friends provide care to people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias.

In Ohio alone, there are 220,000 people aged 65 and older living with the disease and 493,000 caregivers. The number of Ohioans living with Alzheimer's is expected to increase to 250,000 by 2025.

To register a team and receive the latest updates on this year's Walk to End Alzheimer's, visit alz.org/nwohio/walk or call 800-272-3900.

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support and research. Since 1989, the Alzheimer's Association mobilized millions of Americans in the Alzheimer's Association Memory Walk®; now the Alzheimer's Association is continuing to lead the way with Walk to End Alzheimer's.

Those concerned about themselves or a loved one can contact the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio, 419-537-1999 to schedule a care consultation and be connected to local resources. The Alzheimer's Association Helpline is available 24/7 at 800-272-3900.

Tire collection scheduled for Aug. 26

Richland County Solid Waste is partnering with the Richland County Farm Bureau and Richland Public Health to host the 2023 Tire Amnesty Day at the Richland County Fairgrounds Aug. 26, from 8 am to noon, (or until capacity is met) for Richland County Residents. Proof of residency is required, with a limit of 10 tires (off the rim) per vehicle.

Tires must be free of water/fluids. Ag tires will also be accepted. For more information call Richland County Solid Waste at 419-774-5861.

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The Man Who Slept in the Cemetery

By Bob Carter

A cemetery is a rather melancholy place. Hundreds of monuments attest to the final resting place of loved ones and many unknown soles. There is a peaceful beauty with scattered flowers in daytime. At night, as one might expect, thoughts of ghostly shadows and sinister spir- its come to mind. Its enough to raise the hair on ones neck!

Charlie Trimble was a caretaker in the Lexington Cemetery in the late 1940s and 50s. Charlie lived on a small farm on East Hanley Road. The house where he lived was back a long lane. He lived alone and his neighbors were John and Mary Furher and family.

Old Charlie always pitched in and helped the Furchers with their farm work and, although not related, he was considered part of the family. He was expected at meal time and Mrs. Furher did his laundry. Mary Furher was a kind hearted woman.

Charlie took on the summer job as caretaker of the Lexington, Cemetery. He didn't have a car but had an old Allis Chalmers WD tractor. It was a common sight to see him slowly coming down Han- ley Road and route 42 on the old Allis on his way to work. He often held up traffic.

Always dressed in bib overalls and a washable farm cap, he was a friendly, good natured man who knew how to put in a good days work. He kept the grass cut and monuments trimmed in a day when little power equipment was available.

At the end of the day, Charlie would go to Swigart's Cafe to have some good food and wash it down with a few beers. Enjoying con-



Photo: Author's Collection

THE OLD SEXTON HOUSE in the cemetery was built in 1863 for tool and equipment storage but not for overnight guests.

versation among the living and a little TV was a pleasure after a day alone. As a result, Charlie had a wide circle of friends.


But there were times when a ride home couldn't be found and bad weather made the tractor trip very uncomfortable. So Charlie would go back to the cemetery sexton building. It was a simple frame building with no electricity. A kerosene lantern furnished light. An outside pump furnished water and a white painted somewhat leaning outhouse was located behind. A small pot bellied stove furnished heat if required.

Amid the clutter of tools, scythes and lawn mowers was a large wooden crate set on saw horses. It was complete with a hinged lid. It had been a crate for an expensive coffin and looked like one with metal handles on the sides. Inside were neatly folded blankets of artificial grass to cover dirt piles at grave site services.

Into the coffin crate Charlie would climb and, if chilly, he'd cover up with with a grass blanket.

I was with my father, who was on the cemetery board, when dad asked if Charlie was afraid of sleeping there at night. He answered, "The people down here don't bother you none, its the ones walking around town you have to keep an eye on."

He came to a sad end. One night he fell asleep with his feet or pant leg on the stove and his pant leg caught fire. He was badly burned and never fully recovered. Later when he died, he wasn't buried in the graveyard he lovingly cared for, but was entombed in the Ontario Cemetery. He had a brother Lester, and his family who lived west of there.



THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER

— By Ian Stumbo —

Meg 2: The Trench is the definition of a clock watcher. I can't begin to tell you how many times I looked at my watch just hoping it would end.

Jason Statham returns in this sequel where he again faces off against a pre-historic megalodon in modern day.

The first movie was pure entertainment. It was nothing to write home about but was a fun popcorn flick to turn your brain off and just enjoy. This sequel tries to be several movies at once.

It starts out with a megalodon in captivity then turns to be an underwater heist type film with a central villain then the end turns into the movie that most people signed up for where the meg (or the three megs) goes after a bunch of beachgoers.

The first part of this movie is just boring. It sets up far too many characters and the events that happen are just not interesting or engaging. There are a couple characters that try to be a comic relief, though all their jokes fall flat.

The CGI and the sharks themselves look terrible. It seems like this movie was just taped together by a group of writers who

had a hundred different ideas and threw them all in. Even the big moments at the end do not play well because the rest of the movie was such a slog to get through.

Also, the movie incorporates prehistoric lizard creatures and a giant octopus. I am not sure why, it just does.

Another observation, the movie opens with one meg in captivity, it escapes and suddenly there are two more without any explanation.

There are holes in this movie you could drive a truck through.

I am all about B movie level fun that just lets the audience sit there with a bucket of popcorn and have an entertaining time. *Meg 2: The Trench* wants to be that, though it fails so miserably at everything that it turns out to be just plain boring.

Jason Statham is fine in the film though everything around him is not well thought out and feels like a bunch of different movies and ideas that have all been done before.



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News Briefs

The Lexington Depot's meal schedule for August has been released. Meals are served at the Lexington Senior Civic Center, 67 E. Main St., Lexington, from 11 am to 2 pm. For information call 419-884-1676. Meals include Aug. 10, Turkey Divan over noodles; Aug. 15, Pot roast with mashed potatoes; Aug. 17, Italian chicken Alfredo over pasta; Aug. 22, Pork loin with stuffing; Aug. 24, Hamburger gravy over mashed potatoes; Aug. 29, Sloppy joe and potato salad; and Aug. 31, Chicken noodle casserole.

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.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Rev. James Seamus Dillard at 10:30 am on Aug. 13. He will speak on "Hillbilly Magic: Exploring Customs and Folklore of Appalachian People."

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, Aug. 26 and 27. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, 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.

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

man 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 perform rock and roll. Cost is \$15 for the meal. Guests are welcome. For information visit www.lexasc.org. Dues are \$10 per year.

The Bellville Neighborhood Outreach Center will have free produce giveaways on the fourth Monday of the Month, April thru October. Dates will be 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 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. The event is open to the public.

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 Aug. 22.

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 I-71 southbound exit ramp (Exit 176) to U.S. 30 west will close Thursday, Aug. 10 for two days for pavement repairs. The detour is to take the exit 176 east towards Wooster, turn right onto Crider Rd. towards Koogle Road, turn right on Koogle Road and use the entrance ramp to U.S. 30 west. Estimated ramp reopening: Saturday, Aug. 12.



Schedule of Events

Saturday, August 12

Miss Blueberry Pageants at Heartland Church,
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Wednesday, August 16

Vendor Setup, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm
Food Vendor Setup, Noon - 3:00 pm

Thursday, August 17

21st ANNUAL FESTIVAL begins at 4:00 pm
(Lexington Community Park)
Rides, Attractions, Food, 4:00 - 11:00 pm
Townline 26, 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Pageant Crowning - Emcee Miss Ohio 2023
Madison Miller, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
The Wet Bandits, 8:45 - 10:45 pm
Blue Lights & Bubbles Parade, 9:00 pm

Friday, August 18

Rides, Attractions, Food, 4:00 - 11:00 pm
Car & Bike Show Registration Line Up -
4:00 pm / Car & Bike Show, 4:30 - 8:30 pm
(Awards at 8:00 pm)
Kobalt Kreek, 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Magic Nate, 7:00 - 7:45 pm
Slick 31, 8:30 - 10:30 pm

Saturday, August 19

Intrepid Helicopter Flights (all day), Flight times will vary
4's Volleyball Tournament, Registration, 10:00 am/
Pool Play, 11:00 am (All Day)
Rides, Attractions, Food 12:00 Noon - 11:00 pm
Sarah Goff, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Kids Blueberry Bash - Games (Presented by Nationwide
Children's Hospital), 12:30 - 1:30 pm
Park National Bank Children's Coin Drop, 1:30 - 1:45 pm
The Oolang Gurus, 1:45 - 2:45 pm
Whiz Bang Science Show, 2:00 pm, 5:00 pm & 8:00 pm
Ohio Athletics Dance Exhibition, 3:45 - 4:30 pm
Recess Band (Presented by The Blueberry Patch),
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Bullit Band, 8:30 - 9:50 pm, 10:20 - 11 pm
Fireworks, - Presented by Charter Next Gen, 10:00 - 10:20 pm

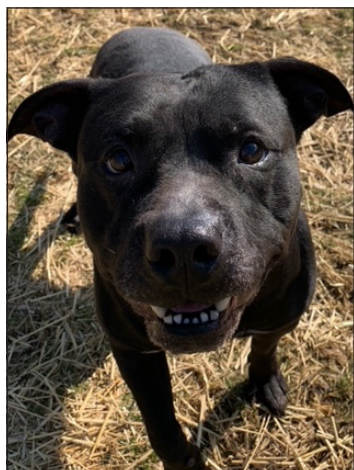
Sunday, August 20

6th Queens' Luncheon (Invitation Only),
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
(The Blueberry Patch, 1285 W. Hanley Road)
CHURCH SERVICE - Berean Baptist Church,
(Main Stage) 11:30 am - 12:30 pm
Rides, Attractions, Food, 12:00 Noon - 6:00 pm
Intrepid Helicopter Flights (all day), Flight times will vary
Magic Nate, 12:45 pm - 1:30 pm
Jevan Cole, 1:45 - 2:45 pm
Breckelle Miller, 2:50 - 3:00 pm
Parade - WELCOME HOME - SORELLE as the Parade Grand
Marshall, - 2:00 pm
Visiting Royalty introductions, 3:00 - 3:30 pm
NBC The Voice Finalists - SORELLE Performance, along with
Meet and Greet presented by BP Electric, 3:35 - 4:35 pm
Clear Fork Valley Cheer, 4:45 - 5:00 pm
Magic Nate, 5:00 - 5:30 pm
Neon Symphony Drum Exhibition, 5:45 - 6:15 pm



21st ANNUAL FESTIVAL ENDS AT 6:30PM
ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 - THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING!

This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



Hawkeye

This six year old dog is such a ham. He loves people and is incredibly friendly. Hawkeye loves

playing and sprinting. He also really enjoys sniffing play yards.

When people walk by Hawkeye's kennel, he always stirs quietly hoping he is chosen to go on a walk. When a volunteer decides to get him out, Hawkeye makes a mad dash to the closest exit so he can enjoy the fresh air, get away from the barking dogs, and use the restroom.

One volunteer likened Hawkeye's rush to get out of his kennel to Nick Chubb during a football game. He is also ornery and likes to get out a toy, play with it for a while, go back to the play bin, get another toy, and continues until almost every toy is out of the toy bin. It is adorable how happy it makes him.

Hawkeye is incredibly strong and needs some leash training. He is an absolute love bug who just wants a family. Hawkeye first came into the shelter in Aug. 15, 2022 and was six when he came in. He is quickly approaching his one year at the shelter.

Hawkeye 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.

Concessions will help orphans

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave W., Mansfield, will host its second annual "Malawi Concessions" during the Heart of the City Cruise-In on Aug. 26.

Concession items will be offered from 8:30 to 4 pm at the church. Breakfast items include coffee, juice, danish rolls and French bread sticks with syrup. Lunch items will be sloppy Joes, hot dogs on the grill with condiments, chips, home baked cookies, treats and beverages.

The church will have canopies set up, offering shade for guests, and there will be a play area set up back near the alley.

Donations will support the ongoing feeding program of over 900 orphans in Malawi through the Malawi Orphan Care Project (MOCP) feeding program.

For information on the car show visit <https://heartofthecitycruisein.com/about-us/>

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 Acosta
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

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
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Sunday 10:45 am
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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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MAVEN Conference will teach Biblical Worldview

The MAVEN Conference will come to Avenue Church, 1756 Park Avenue West, Ontario, on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 9 am to 2 pm.

Parents, grandparents, youth workers, homeschoolers, Sunday school teachers, pastors and Christian educators are invited to this Christian world view training.

Brett Kunkle, founder and president of MAVEN, and co-founder Erin Kunkle will co-teach two sessions.

"The Crisis of Authority" will show how the authority of God, primarily through His word, and the authority of the parents are necessary preconditions for the discipleship of kids.

"A Practical Plan for the Discipleship of our Kids" will lay out a practical three-stage approach to teaching kids the Christian world view.

According to the American Culture and Faith Institute (ACFI) only 10 percent of all Americans have a biblical worldview. One of the outcomes of this seminar is that attendees will be better able to help disciple the children in their lives.

Helping to sponsor the event are Westminster Books and Cedarville University. Westminster Books offers Biblically faithful and engaging books and Cedarville Christian University offers free dual enrollment for high school students.

To register or for information visit <https://churchontheave.com/maven2023?sapurl=Lysyd3k2L2xiL2V2LysybXAYazdxP2JyY-W5kaW5nPXRYdWUmZW1iZWQ9dHJ1ZS5yZW50bnRSb3V0Z-T1hcHAud2ViLWFwcC5saWJyYXJ5LmNhbgVuZGFyJnJlY2VudFJv-dXRIU2x1Zz0lMk5bXfKZGZk>. Lunch is provided.



Farm Bureau and RSWCD joint annual celebration set for Sept. 7

Richland County Farm Bureau and Richland Soil and Water Conservation District (Richland SWCD) are hosting a joint annual celebration on Thursday, Sept. 7. The celebration will be held at the Kehoe Center, 175 Mansfield Ave., Shelby beginning at 6 pm, with doors opening at 5:30 pm.

The celebration is open to the public and includes dinner, guest speaker Rev. Paul Lintern, "Richland County is Rich Land," awards and organization updates. The cost is \$20 per person and reservations are requested by Aug. 24. Reservations may be made at <https://richlandswcd.net/>.

Farm Bureau members will vote on proposed policies, which direct the programs and activities for the upcoming year, local trustees, and Ohio Farm Bureau Annual Meeting delegates.

The celebration will also commemorate Richland SWCD's 75th year and being named Ohio's District of the Year. The Cooperator of the Year and Volunteer of the Year will be recognized.

Eligible voters may cast their vote for two open Richland SWCD Board Supervisor positions from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The candidates are Brian Alt, Rick Novak and Greg Timberlake. Absentee voting begins Aug. 9, and closes Sept. 7, at 12 p.m. at the Richland SWCD office. Visit <https://richlandswcd.net/> for election information.



REPRESENTATIVES FROM Modern Woodmen Fraternal Financial donated snacks to the Ontario Police Department. Pictured are members of the department, Greg Boyce and Andrew Stofer. The donation is coordinated by local Modern Woodmen members, the fraternal financial services organization's Summit chapters and youth service clubs. For more information or to get involved, contact Boyce at 419-571-2539

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Sandra J. Beer, July 12
 Patricia Hope Waddell, July 19
 Ralph Wharton, July 22
 Mary Evelyn Easterday, July 23
 Harold David Hunt, July 24
 Chester Merle Nichols Jr., July 24
 Andrew Jackson Rock, July 28
 Patricia Ann Beer, July 29
 Lily Rayne Bourne, July 30
 Mary Lucy Cranmore, July 30
 David W. Mitchell, July 30
 Prudence Ann Love, July 31
 Clarence Crockett Greene, Aug. 1
 Ellen Elizabeth Myers, Aug. 2

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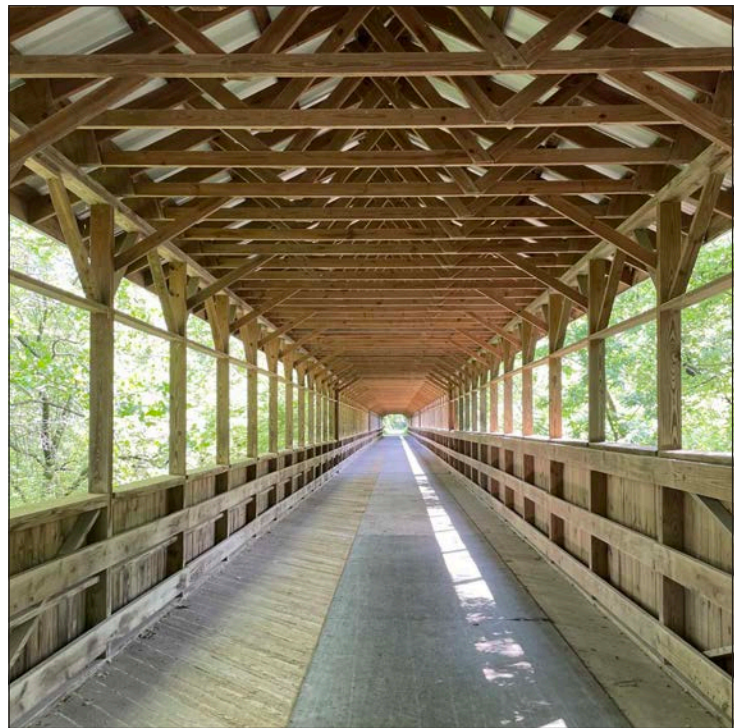


Photo by Damon Callis

Day Trippin' With Damon – The Bridge of Dreams is located at Brinkhaven, OH. The bridge is nestled in the rural Mohican River Valley in Knox County. The bridge towers over the Mohican State Scenic River. At 370-feet long, it is the longest pedestrian covered bridge in Ohio. Built on the abandoned Cleveland, Akron, and Columbus Railroad line (later known as the Penn Central Railroad), the remaining relics of the original steel beam structure was constructed in 1944. With Amish craftsmen and volunteers, the covered bridge was constructed upon the original steel railroad beams and completed in 1998.



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By Kim Sterry

POTATO STUFFED PEPPERS

Ingredients

3 potatoes cubed, red potatoes or russets will work
Cubed pork jowl bacon or thick cut bacon or pancetta
Long red peppers
Creamy brie
Crushed red pepper

Instructions

Parboil the potatoes for 10 minutes. In a frying pan, crisp up the bacon and cut in pieces. Save the grease from the pan. Cut peppers long wise in half and clean out. When potatoes are cooked, drain and quickly throw them in the frying pan with grease. Line a baking sheet with foil and lay out the peppers. Put a layer of Brie and then potatoes and bacon and then spread with brie on top. Bake in 350 oven 20 minutes.

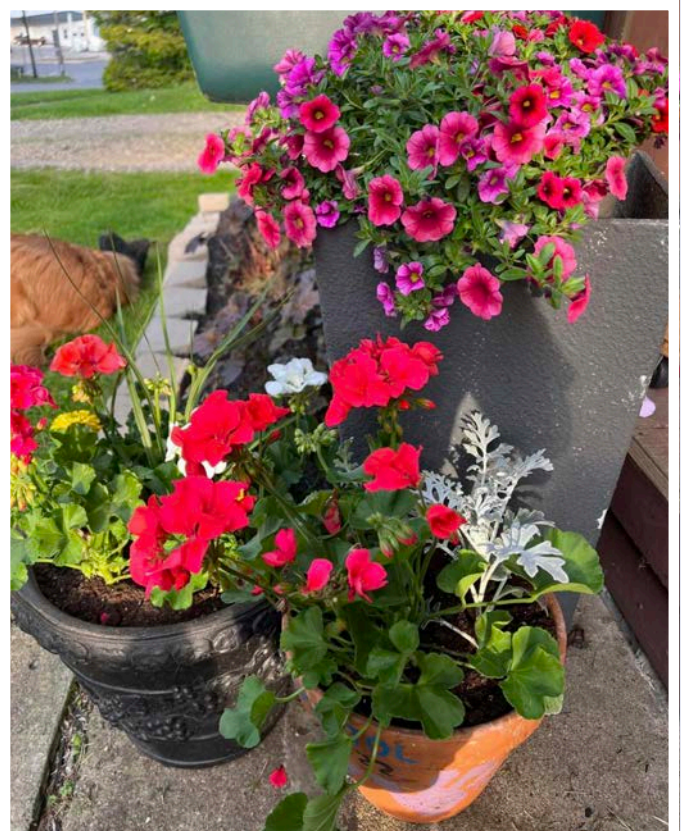
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ST. MARY'S FESTIVAL • SUNDAY, AUG. 6



Photos By Traci Little

Donations being collected for food drive during fair

Farm Credit Mid-America, Rural 1st® and Richland County Fair have partnered together to raise food donations to benefit Diamond Hills Baptist Church as part of a state-wide food drive contest.

Now in its third year, Fight Hunger, Stock the Trailer is a friendly competition that helps junior fairs raise food donations for local food banks across Ohio. The contest is one of many ways Farm Credit Mid-America and Rural 1st® give back to rural communities and support local agriculture.

"Fight Hunger, Stock the Trailer has grown from a pilot project to a state-wide initiative that encourages the local community to come out and help stock the shelves at local food banks," says Evan Hahn a Regional Vice President of Agricultural Lending for Farm Credit Mid-America in Ohio. "Last year, over 50 junior fairs across Ohio collected nearly 170,000 pounds of food that went on to benefit 74 local food banks. We're very excited to see what the growth and impact will look like as the contest enters its third year this summer."

Local community members may bring non-perishable food items to the Richland County Fair from through Aug. 12. Food donations may be placed in the trailer behind the Junior Fair Office. The total weight of all donations will be calculated at the end of the fair, with 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and cash prizes awarded to the fairs who raise the most food at the end of the summer.

"Our teams love seeing the creativity and drive of junior fair members to make a difference in their community," says Robb Webb, a Financial Officer for Farm Credit Mid-America and one of the team members who leads the Fight Hunger, Stock the Trailer initiative. "The most rewarding part of the contest is seeing the connection that kids are making with local foodbanks."

Prizes include a \$500 award for each county fair that contributes, followed by a \$5,000 donation to the fair that raises the most food, followed by \$3,500 for second place and \$1,500 for third place. All prize money awarded will support local junior fair activities.

The Fight Hunger, Stock the Trailer contest is being hosted on a regional basis. To learn about which counties are participating in 2023, reach out to Farm Credit Mid-America and Rural 1st® at 419-747-4111.

Richland Gives free registration is open for local nonprofits

Richland Gives registration for Richland County based nonprofit organizations is open through Oct. 31. It is free; however, nonprofit organizations must register each year.

This is the ninth year for Richland Gives which is hosted by the Richland County Foundation. Since its inception, Richland Gives has raised \$2,476,007. Thanks to the generosity of donors at the Foundation, \$80,000 in incentives will be awarded as grants to participating organizations, beyond what they raise from online donations.

Richland Gives is designed to encourage people to contribute to local nonprofits they care about through a single giving website. The Foundation hosts the day to build capacity, grow philanthropy and make the community stronger.

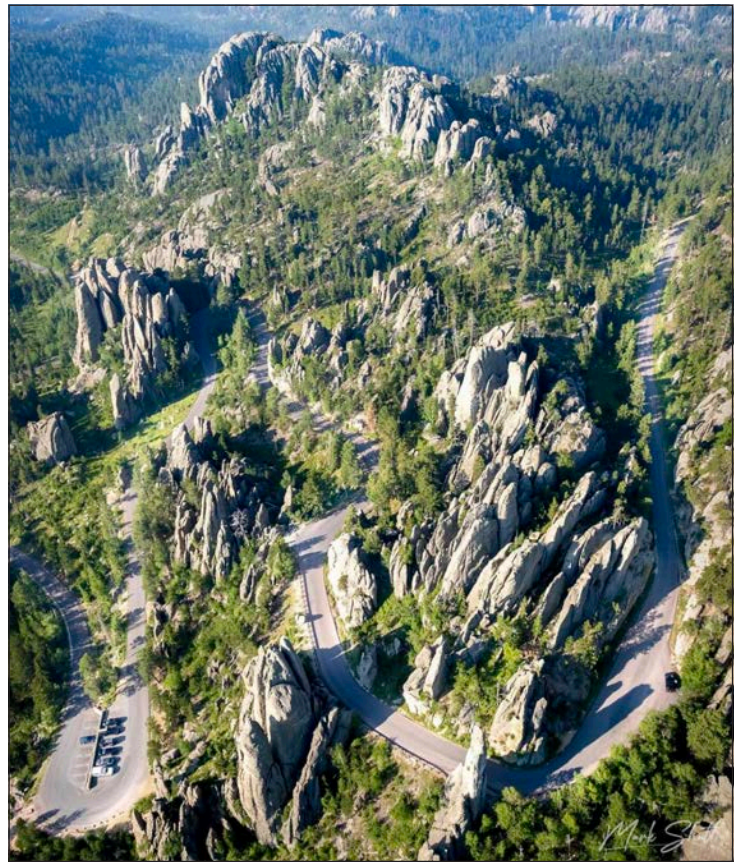
Each organization will have an individualized webpage to promote their cause. The success of the event will depend on collective enthusiasm and implementation.

Leading up to the event the Foundation provides an online toolkit, webinars, mass media and social media coverage to make it easier for nonprofit organizations to participate.

The Richland Gives donation period is from Nov. 13 at 7 am through Nov. 28 at 7 pm.

For more details or to donate go to richlandgives.org.

The Richland County Foundation, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization, 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 residents. 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 the county's citizens.



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Dollywood celebrates expansion with new Big Bear Mountain coaster

Article and Photos By Jenna Wolford

A name synonymous with The Great Smoky Mountains is Dollywood and most people have at least heard of Pigeon Forge's number one attraction, Dollywood Theme Park.

Topping the list of Tripadvisor's Traveler's Choice Top 25 Amusement Parks in the U.S. last year, Dollywood also earned three Golden Ticket Awards from *Amusement Today*, more than any other park in the world.

Formerly known as Rebel Railroad, Goldrush Junction and Silver Dollar City, Parton became partners with Herschend Family Enterprises and opened the park as Dollywood on May 3, 1986. Over the past nearly 40 years, the park has undergone many expansions and updates while keeping its ties to the mountains.

Dolly, a Sevierville County native, has added all her southern charm and country spirit to a park that has continued to embrace the mountain way by showcasing the work of blacksmiths, leather-smiths, soap makers and other artisans.

The 165-acre park just celebrated its newest expansion with the opening of Big Bear Mountain just this past May. Hoping to beat the crowds, we arrived early and made a beeline for the new coaster as soon as we were through the gate.

Big Bear Mountain is the longest coaster in the park with 3,990 feet of track and lasts almost two minutes. It reaches 48 miles per hour, has a 66-foot drop and includes three launches and two tunnels.

One neat aspect is when the coaster travels behind a waterfall cascade. The backdrop really provides a scenic ride along with a thrilling one. We experienced two twisted airtime hills, a carousel turn, twisted camelback, high speed helix and twisted double down. The first of its kind at the park, the coaster cars play on-board audio by Ned Oakley. There was so much going on at once, it was hard to take it all in.

Right away this became a favorite coaster for my family. It was a nice smooth ride and Oakley added an extra element of fun as we sped through the course. It had the thrill element but not so much that smaller coaster enthusiasts would be left out of the fun.

We visited Dollywood during the Smoky Mountain Summer Celebration which runs from mid-June through early August. Special entertainment, splash and play elements, kids activities and a Kite Sky help to bring the celebration to life. Each evening, a fireworks and drone show fill the skies. Also at dark, the Wildwood Tree in Wildwood Grove comes to life with a three-minute multi-sensory light show and story time. The tree is filled with beautifully lit butterflies that change colors.

A welcome sound at any theme park is the whistle of a steam

train. Dollywood has two genuine 2/8/2 Baldwin Steam locomotives which were originally built for the U.S. Army and used in Alaska to transport troops and lumber during WWII.

The engines came to the location as the Rebel Railroad in 1961 and became known as the Dollywood Express in 1986. Thirty-minute train rides depart every half an hour and take a five-mile journey through the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains. My son and I took the train while the other half of the family went to The Lightning Rod coaster. It was a scenic and relaxing journey as we heard about the park's history and rides as we passed by.

Another icon of times past is the Dollywood Grist Mill, a fully operating corn and wheat mill. Guests can purchase flour or enjoy baked goods including the popular cinnamon bread. The mill, completed in the early 1980s, was designed and built exactly as it would have been in the 1880s. It was the first working grist mill in Tennessee in more than a century.

The Robert F. Thomas Chapel, a one-room country church, was named in honor of the doctor who delivered Parton and has worship services each Sunday of the operating season. Many of the elements used to build and decorate the church came from historical buildings and churches from around the area. The doors are from an 1890 unit Methodist church, the windows from Sevier County's first secondary school and the bell from a local school.

Although I have been to Dollywood a few times before, this was my first visit since I was a teenager. I enjoyed seeing so many new rides and entertainment options, but was also glad to see the classics remain. I still have a leather bracelet that I made at Calico Falls Schoolhouse when I was very young, a memory I still cherish.

The "Mountain Magic" is definitely alive and well and Dollywood displays why it is so well known for its beautiful landscaping. Four planting seasons occur throughout the year to complement the natural scenery of the mountains. The landscape of the park is covered in flowers and beautiful plants. Some areas of Dollywood are still untouched forest area, creating a unique atmosphere for a theme park. Even my daughter remarked at how beautiful everything was.

Tucked into Rivertown Junction is a replica of Dolly's Tennessee mountain home. Guests can tour this two-room replica of her Locust Ridge childhood dwelling where Dolly and her 10 siblings were raised. We made a stop to see the home, which Dolly's brother, Bobby, built and her mother decorated. Many items are from the family's original home.

As our day progressed, we hit coaster after coaster and ride after ride.

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When The Wild Eagle was built, it was the country's first wing coaster. The steel structure offers amazing views of the mountains and park as guests soar at a top speed of 61 miles per hour and plummet from a 135-foot drop. The ride lasts over two minutes and includes multiple loops, tight curves and an intense zero-G roll. Built much like one of my favorite coasters, I was pleased to find it a smooth and thrilling ride.

The Dragonflyer, built in 2019, is a suspended coaster with loops, twists and turns that travels over 1,486 feet of track. The ride features a seven-story first drop into a tunnel with a top speed of 46 mph.

I love how the coasters and rides are incorporated into the beautiful mountain landscape. The Timber Canyon area is home to the Mystery Mine and Thunderhead, both of whose tracks glide along the mountain ridge and use the terrain to make the ride even more exciting. We rode both of these as a family and returned multiple times throughout the day to both.

Mystery Mine includes two 90-degree inclines and is truly a unique coaster. I have never experienced anything quite like it. Guests are transported both inside and out as they ride along the track through the mine, inverting multiple times.

Thunderhead, a wooden coaster, features the world's first "fly through" station in which the coaster roars through the station at 40 mph. The track contains 14 bridges and crosses over and under itself 32 times. It was named *Amusement Today's* Golden Ticket Award winner for the Top Wooden Rollercoaster in 2005 and 2006.

The FireChaser Express has coaster cars designed to look like a steam train and boasts of two separate launches. After being launched forward from the station, riders are then given a great surprise when they experience a simulated explosion and are launched backwards to travel another part of the track. It's a wild ride as passengers experience six zero-gravity moments and two helices. I really appreciate that Dollywood has so many coasters that all of my family members are willing to try. We were able to spend more of the day as a family rather than split between coaster riders and "chickens."

Blazing Fury is an indoor coaster themed as a fire-engulfed town. The ride starts with a journey through the town as firefighters and townspeople try to escape the fires. The coaster then takes off racing down multiple dips and drops into darkness. It's a fun ride because you never know what is coming next.

The more intense Lightning Rod is a wood coaster that launches riders up the lift hill from zero to 45 MPH and features a 90 degree outside banked top hat, non-inverting half loop and a high speed air-time hill.

A trick hill fools guests into thinking they are going over the edge right after the launch but that is actually to come next as the terrain changes and passengers see the coaster is actually built atop a hill. As the coaster banks and twists, the mountain helps to create a one-of-a-kind thrill ride.

For guests who like to stay a bit closer to the ground, Dollywood offers bumper cars, a carousel, various classic spin rides and a few tamer options.

Littles can enjoy their time on numerous kiddie rides and multiple playgrounds, including an exciting Firehouse Fun yard and indoor Hidden Hollow play area. Whistle Punk Chaser, a junior coaster, can be found in Timber Canyon.

The entertainment schedule can keep anyone busy for the day with performances from bands, quartets, an a capella group and other musicians. The Gazillion Bubble Show: Aurora captivates audiences of all ages as they watch bubbles envelop the entire theater. The show also features a new fantasy segment paying homage to Dolly and her Great Smoky Mountains.

The Eagle Mountain Sanctuary is home to the country's largest collection of non-release bald eagles. The 1.5 million cubic foot natural outdoor aviary contains over 20 eagles and allows for up-close viewing. These birds have been rehabilitated but cannot be released due to permanent disabling factors.

The adjacent Wings of America show provides an in-depth look at hawks, vultures, owls and golden eagles. This show allows for "free flight" viewing of some of the birds.

A highlight of our day was making our way back to Big Bear Mountain for the last ride of the day and then watching the sunset, fireworks and drone show from Wildwood Grove. The drone show was nothing short of spectacular as they moved in sequence to the music. An added bonus for us was the lightning that worked its way into the show.

Dollywood may be classified as a theme park, but their food offerings are high above the usual theme park fare. BBQ smokers and grills add flavor to the many dishes served throughout the park. A culinary team works to provide anything from Southern BBQ and biscuits to corndogs, ham and beans and garlic shrimp mac & cheese, earning the title as a four-time winner of Best Theme Park Food. Special offerings are also available during celebrations throughout the year.

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With so much to see, do and eat, Dollywood is truly a park for everyone.

The Dollywood Company also includes Dollywood's Splash Country, Dollywood's DreamMore Resort and Spa, Dollywood's Mountain Cabins and the new Dollywood's HeartSong Lodge & Resort, scheduled to open late fall. A unique lodging option is to reserve a stay on Dolly's tour bus. Located at the DreamMore, Suite 1986 can be booked by contacting the resort.

Dollywood Theme Park is located at 2700 Dollywood Parks Blvd., Pigeon Forge, TN. For more information visit www.dollywood.com or call 1-800-DOLLYWOOD.



Buckeye Imagination Museum's second floor now open

Finding an activity for both toddlers and teenagers to enjoy together is sometimes nearly impossible. Whether it be having to choose one activity where one child will be miserable, or having to load the family up for a long drive just to spend time together, the thought of seeing everyone happy without any effort can sometimes seem like a distant dream.

However, Buckeye Imagination Museum seeks to create a local place that's fun for the whole family – adults included!

Previously known as a children's museum that only served ages two to ten, executive director Fred Boll was determined to derail the concept of aging out.

"While children's museums are designed for small children to play in, we believed there shouldn't be any way to 'age-out' of having fun. So, while we're considered a children's museum, we can now serve teenagers, adults and seniors."

While the concept of creating an older kids floor seems new for this organization, this plan has been seven years in-the-making.

"The original plan was to open this entire building – both first and second floor – back in 2020. But, as everyone knows, COVID happened, and it derailed the entire process. Not only did it postpone our entire construction process, but with pricing going up and materials becoming scarce, we had to almost go back to square one."

Despite these delays, Buckeye Imagination Museum found a way to make things work, opening the new location in August of 2022 with the first floor available, and constructing the second floor

through the year. But now, after much anticipation, Buckeye Imagination Museum held a private ribbon cutting the evening of Aug. 8 and opened to the public Aug. 9.

"Our mission is to provide opportunities of exploration and discovery through play to all families, and with the opening of the second floor, we're able to further accomplish it through play, and future programming," Brenna Koch, Public Relations Coordinator, states. "So make sure you plan a visit Buckeye Imagination Museum, where there's something fun for the whole family to enjoy!"

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THE 2023 RICHLAND COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR Royalty are Junior Fair Queen Sarah Smith, Roaming Rovers 4-H and Shelby FFA; Junior Fair King Micah Miller, Rusty Riders 4-H and Shelby FFA; Queen First Runner-Up Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers 4-H; King First Runner-Up Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H and Shelby FFA; and Queen Second Runner-Up Sofi Johnson, Freedom Wranglers 4-H and Shelby FFA.



SOPHIA CARVER AND HER HORSE SPARKY took first place in Western Showmanship at the Richland County Fair. Sophia is from Shelby.

State Rep. Miller completes OSU Public Leadership Academy

State Rep. Melanie Miller (R-City of Ashland) is one of 22 elected officials from across the state of Ohio to successfully complete this year's Public Leadership Academy at The Ohio State University's John Glenn College of Public Affairs.

The Public Leadership Academy is an intensive, one-week, bipartisan, residential academy for Ohio's rising state and local elected leaders. Along with Miller, participants included other state representatives, county commissioners, mayors, and school board and city council members.

"The program was such a worthwhile and amazing experience to undergo with such talented individuals," Miller said. "I hope to bring back some of the ideas and things we learned when it comes to public service to benefit the people of Ashland and Medina Counties."

The program is designed to support leaders who inspire citizenship. Participants reflect on their call to serve, explore topics they have in common, and return to public life with a better understanding of their colleagues and a renewed commitment to public service.

"Everyone in the class was identified by their leadership as a rising star in Ohio elected service," said Greg Moody, the director of professional development for the Glenn College.

"Our role is to bring them together to learn from each other and build lasting relationships that benefit their constituents and citizens of Ohio."

This year's program, held July 10-14, coincided with the Glenn College Democracy Camp, a one-day program for 30 high school students to learn about civic engagement and the democratic process. At a shared lunch, Democracy Camp and Public Leadership Academy participants discussed career paths in local government and the importance of leadership in public service.

Miller was among the fourth class to graduate from the Public Leadership Academy.

Richland County Junior Fair 2023 Results

Richland County Junior Fair Best of Show Awards 2023

Agriculture, Misc (lawn care, rope, small engines, tractor, welding), Jeff Stigall III, Next Generation 4-H

Clothing/Fashion Revue, Best of Show, Chloe Stigall, Next Generation 4-H; Reserve Best of Show, McKinnley King, Freedom Wranglers 4-H

Conservation of Natural Resources, Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation 4-H

Family Life Design (getting started in art, scrapbooking, graphic design), Julia Auck, Wild-n-Free 4-H

Family Life Hobbies and Leisure (writing, collectibles, cake decorating, leisure), Marissa Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Family Living (money mgt., child development, genealogy, quilting, home living series), Anna Blanton, Next Generation 4-H

Foods – Beginner, Brooklyn Gilger, New Edition 4-H

Foods – Intermediate, Kaley Bowman, Wild-n-Free 4-H

Foods – Advanced, Sela Ogle, Country Clovers 4-H

Gardening/Horticulture, Mariah Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Health, Marissa Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Leadership, Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Photography, Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Shooting Sports, Logan Hoffman, Lucky 4-H'ers

Small Animals (aquariums, cage birds, cats, dog care, pet care), Mary Thompson, New Edition 4-H

STEM (aerospace, rockets, electricity, physics, robotics), Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts 4-H

Veterinary Science, Gracie Rodman, Richland Round-Up 4-H

Woodworking, Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Engineering Sweepstakes (Selected from agriculture, STEM and woodworking categories), Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts

Ohio State Fair Selections 2023

Category: Clothing Days

Sew Fun, Junior (J-18) + Construction award, Chloe Stigall, Next Generation 4-H

Look Great for Less – Sr. (J-15), Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts Em*bel*lish (J-13), McKinnley King, Freedom Wranglers 4-H

Category: Communication Days - Demonstrations

Intermediate Individual, Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts

Category: Companion Animal Day

Purrfect Pals: Level 1 Cats (8-10 yrs), Audrey King, Freedom Wranglers 4-H

Pocket Pets (8-12 years), Isabella Bowers, Lexington Ladies & Lads

Category: Creative Arts Day

Get Started in Art – Senior, Julia Auck, Wild-n-Free 4-H

Self-Determined, Creative Arts, McKinnley King, Freedom Wranglers 4-H

Scrapbooking, Senior Division, Chloe Hursh, Country Champions

My Favorite Things – Junior, Marissa Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Cake Decorating, Senior Division Advanced, Sarah Turner, Ganges Happy Hearts 4-H

Category: Engineering Excitement Days

Not Just Knots – Junior, Josephine McNary, Ganges Happy Hearts

Not Just Knots – Senior, Micah Miller, Rusty Riders 4-H

Crank It Up (Small Engines), Jeff Stigall III, Next Generation 4-H

Category: Engineering Welding

Welding, Isaiah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers 4-H

Welding alternate, Asher Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts 4-H

Category: Foods & Nutrition

Let's Start Cooking, Junior, Brooklyn Gilger, New Edition 4-H

Take a Break for Breakfast, Junior, Luke Eckenwiler, Great Expectations 4-H

Cooking on My Own, Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Global Gourmet, Stella McNary, Ganges Happy Hearts 4-H

Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals, Jr., Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals, Sr., Selah Ogle, Country Clovers 4-H

Grill Master, Junior, Kaley Bowman, Wild-n-Free 4-H

Category: Health

Your Feelings Matter, Marissa Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Your Feelings Matter, alternate, Gracie Rodman, Richland Round-Up 4-H

Category: Home Decorating and Design

Your First Home Away from Home, Kathryn Lindenberger, New Edition 4-H

Your First Home Away from Home, alternate, Sarah Hoak, Country Clovers 4-H

Category: Leadership

Club Leadership I, Sofia Johnson, Freedom Wranglers 4-H

Finding Your Voice – Jr. Public Speaking, Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Category: Natural Resources (including Shooting Sports)

Beekeeping, Junior, Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation 4-H

Insect Adventures I, Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation 4-H

Outdoor Adventure, Beginning Fishing, Charlie Yoakam, Bibs & Boots 4-H

Explore the Outdoors, Lysander von Ehrenkrook, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Explore the Outdoors, alternate, Elliot Tingley, Branded Pony

Ohio Birds, 2nd year, Linzy Weyhmeller, Branded Pony 4-H

Category: Photography

Photography Basics, Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers

Photography Basics, alternate, Kaley Bowman, Wild-n-Free 4-H

Mastering Photography, Elizabeth Cole, Bibs & Boots 4-H

Photography Master, Ava Irwin, Triangle T 4-H

Category: Quilting

Self-Determined – Senior, Kathryn Lindenberger New Edition 4-H

Category: Self-Determined

Junior Division, Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts 4-H

Junior Division, alternate, Anna Blanton, Next Generation 4-H

Category: Shooting Sports

Archery – Junior, Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Archery – Senior, Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

Shotgun – Senior, Logan Hoffman, Lucky 4-H'ers

Basic Archery – Junior, Zeddicus Butz, Branded Pony 4-H

Category: Veterinary Science

From Airedales to Zebras, Level I, Mariah Barciz, Next Generation 4-H

Veterinary Science III: On the Cutting Edge, Gracie Rodman, Richland Round-Up 4-H

Category: Woodworking

Woodworking, Level 1, Jr. Measuring Up, Trent Rodman, Richland Round-Up 4-H

Woodworking, Level 1, Jr., Measuring Up, alternate, Cooper Miller, Muddy Creek Clovers 4-H

Woodworking, Level I, Sr., Measuring Up, Isaac Ross, Muddy Creek Clovers 4-H

Woodworking, Level IV Finishing Up, Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers 4-H

2023 Outstanding Exhibit Awards

Carson Abbott, Ring Raiders, Alpaca
 Brayden Amert, Country Champions, Market Goat
 Parker Arnett, Triangle T, Bicycle
 Preston Arnett, Triangle T, Breeding Goat
 Preston Arnett, Triangle T, Market Goat
 Allyson Arnold, Kickin' It Kountry, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Allyson Arnold, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Beef
 Aria Askins, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Goat
 Julia Auck, Wild-n-Free, Get Started in Art
 Julia Auck, Wild-n-Free, The Writer in You
 Mariah Barciz, Next Generation, Gardening
 Marissa Barciz, Next Generation, Horseless Horse

Richland County Junior Fair 2023 Results

Marissa Barciz, Next Generation, Market Goat
 Marissa Barciz, Next Generation, My Favorite Things
 Marissa Barciz, Next Generation, Your Feelings Matter
 Jake Barrett, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Tanner Beer, Roaming Rovers, Breeding Rabbit
 Tanner Beer, Roaming Rovers, Market Poultry - Ducks
 Taylor Beverage, Blackfork Friends, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Taylor Beverage, Blackfork Friends, Market Goat
 Kyleigh Biglin, Red & Gray Gang, Horse - Draft
 Anna Blanton, Next Generation, Breeding Rabbit
 Anna Blanton, Next Generation, Market Poultry - Ducks
 Anna Blanton, Next Generation, Market Rabbit
 Anna Blanton, Next Generation, Self-Determined
 Emma Blanton, Next Generation, Breeding Poultry - chicken
 Emma Blanton, Next Generation, Breeding Rabbit
 Leah Blay, Branded Pony, Horse
 Karsyn Blust, Great Expectations, Beef Feeder Calf
 Karsyn Blust, Great Expectations, Market Beef
 Wade Bolin, Country Champions, Dairy Market Beef
 Isabella Bowers, Lexington Ladies & Lads, Pocket Pets
 Kaley Bowman, Wild-n-Free, Alpaca
 Kaley Bowman, Wild-n-Free, Foods and Nutrition
 Braden Boyer, Kickin' It Kountry, Beef Feeder Calf
 Maddie Boyer, Kickin' It Kountry, Beef Feeder Calf
 Maddie Boyer, Kickin' It Kountry, Breeding Beef
 Maddie Boyer, Lucas FFA, Market Goat
 Maddie Boyer, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Lamb
 Cayden Burns, Ring Raiders, Alpaca
 Vanna Burns, Ring Raiders, Alpaca
 Zeddicks Butz, Branded Pony, Basic Archery
 CeCe Buzard, Rusty Riders, Market Rabbit
 Adam Buzard, Roaming Rovers, Market Goat
 Harvey Campbell, Bibs & Boots, Breeding Poultry
 Kyrsten Caudill, Plymouth FFA, Dog Obedience
 Kyrsten Caudill, Plymouth FFA, Dog Performance
 Marissa Circosta, Wild-n-Free, Dog Obedience
 Asher Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Alpaca
 Asher Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Alpaca
 Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Look Great for Less
 Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Poultry - Duck
 Lily Clark, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Rabbit
 Norah Cochran, Branded Pony, Horse
 Elizabeth Cole, Bibs & Boots, Photography
 Saydee Combs, Kickin' It Kountry, Get Started in Art
 Saydee Combs, Kickin' It Kountry, Writer in You
 Zoey Combs, Kickin' It Kountry, Photography
 Caleigh Cook, Great Expectations, Market Hog
 Mariah Cook, Great Expectations, Breeding Sheep
 Mariah Cook, Great Expectations, Market Lamb
 Morgan Cook, Great Expectations, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Morgan Cook, Great Expectations, Market Hog
 Reece Cook, Great Expectations, Market Lamb
 Kash Cooke, Bibs & Boots, Market Hog
 Dakota Craner, Richland Co Livestock Lovers, Purr-fect Pets
 Katie Crider, Ring Raiders, Alpaca
 Katie Crider, Ring Raiders, Horse
 Katie Crider, Ring Raiders, Market Goat
 Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers, Dog Obedience
 Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers, Dog Performance
 Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Isaac Crouse, Branded Pony, Horse
 Aidan Culler, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Beef
 Austin Cyrus, Lexington Ladies & Lads, Market Hog
 Emma Dailey, Bibs & Boots, Market Rabbit
 DaShawna David, Rusty Riders, Market Hog
 Laura Dick, Bibs & Boots, Market Poultry
 Lily Eckenwiler, Great Expectations, Foods and Nutrition
 Luke Eckenwiler, Great Expectations, Foods and Nutrition
 Corbin Eldridge, Ring Raiders, ATV Safety
 Corbin Eldridge, Shelby FFA, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Ellie Engelman, Branded Pony, Horse
 Elizabeth Enix, Neighhh Not Today, Beef Feeder Calf
 Elizabeth Enix, Neighhh Not Today, Horse
 Elizabeth Enix, Neighhh Not Today, Photography

Sawyer Eshelman, Happy Hearts, Horse - Small Equine
 Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Rabbit
 Sawyer Eshelman, Ganges Happy Hearts, Self-Determined , sodering
 Ava Estep, Farmhand Friends, Market Lamb
 Ava Estep, Farmhand Friends, Market Lamb
 Cadence Fairchild, Bibs & Boots, Market Lamb
 Cailey Fairchild, Bibs & Boots, Breeding Poultry
 Cailey Fairchild, Bibs & Boots, Breeding Poultry - Ducks
 Cailey Fairchild, Shelby FFA, Market Hog
 Cailey Fairchild, Shelby FFA, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Sam Fairchild, Bibs & Boots, Self-Determined
 Cadence Farichild, Shelby FFA, Market Hog
 Emily Foulks, Muddy Creek Clovers, Beef Feeder Calf
 Emily Foulks, Muddy Creek Clovers, Breeding Beef
 Bryanna Francis, Country Clovers, Horse
 Bryanna Francis, Country Clovers, Horse - Donkey
 Grant Freeman, Muddy Creek Clovers, Beef Feeder Calf
 Grant Freeman, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Beef
 Grace Fry, Richland Round-Up, Breeding Sheep
 Grace Fry, Richland Round-Up, Market Beef
 Grace Fry, Richland Round-Up, Market Lamb
 William Fry, Richland Round-Up, Market Beef
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 Sophia Gano, Rusty Riders, Horse
 Evelyn Gerber, New Edition, Laundry
 Audrey Gerberm, New Edition, Market Lamb
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 Cameron Guegold, Farmhand Friends, Beef Feeder Calf
 Cameron Guegold, Farmhand Friends, Breeding Beef
 Mikaela Guegold, Mikaela Farmhand Friends, Market Goat
 Jessica Hall, Branded Pony, Horse
 Lydia Hawkins, Freedom Wranglers, Market Goat
 Alivia Hicks, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Brock Hendricks, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Raylan Hendricks, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Lillian Heydiner, That Udder Club, Market Rabbit
 Landon Hickenbotham, Lucky 4-H's, Horse
 Alivia Hicks, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Goat
 Sarah Hoak, Country Clovers, First Home Away from Home
 Elizabeth Hoffman, Richland Co Livestock Lovers, Market Rabbit
 Logan Hoffman, Lucky 4-H's, Shooting Sports - Shotgun
 Aubrey Holly, Wild-n-Free, Breeding Rabbit
 Aubrey Holly, Wild-n-Free, Market Rabbit
 Chevelle Howard, Triangle T, Dairy Feeder Calf
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 Sadie Howarth, Bibs & Boots, Market Rabbit
 Alllyson Hulbert, Muddy Creek Clovers, Breeding Beef
 Chloe Hursh, Country Champions, Scrapbooking
 Anna Irwin, Triangle T, Alpaca
 Anna Irwin, Triangle T, Market Goat
 Ava Irwin, Triangle T, Photography
 Sofia Johnson, Freedom Wranglers, Club Leadership I
 Michael Kelly, Lexington Ladies & Lads, Pet Rabbit
 Sienna Kennison, Ring Raiders, Breeding Goat
 Sienna Kennison, Ring Raiders, Market Goat
 Addison Kilgore, Country Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Audrey King, Freedom Wranglers, Basic Archery
 Audrey King, Freedom Wranglers, Purr-fect Pals
 McKinnley King, Freedom Wranglers, Em*bel*ish
 McKinnley King, Freedom Wranglers, Self-Determined
 Emmalyn Kleman, New Edition, Market Rabbit
 Estella Koppert-Smith, Next Generation, Market Poultry - Ducks
 Estella Koppert-Smith, Next Generation, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Steliana Krue, Next Generation, Alpaca
 Zoe Kuhn, Country Champions, Market Goat

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Hayden Kuhn, Country Champions, Market Goat
 Liam Kuhn, Country Champions, Market Goat
 Aubrey Lambert, Country Champions, Market Goat
 Monae Leedy, Branded Pony, Horse
 Bergan Leonhardt, New Edition, Beef Feeder Calf
 Bergan Leonhardt, New Edition, Breeding Beef
 Bergan Leonhardt, New Edition, Market Beef
 Kathryn Lindenberger, New Edition, First Home Away from Home
 Kathryn Lindenberger, New Edition, Self-Determined - Quilting
 Ally Lohr, Muddy Creek Clovers, Beef Feeder Calf
 Chloe Lohr, Muddy Creek Clovers, Beef Feeder Calf
 Jillian Maglott, All Star Gang, Beef Feeder Calf
 Alexis McClain, New Edition, Market Hog
 Lillian McClain, New Edition, Market Hog
 Josephine McNary, Ganges Happy Hearts, Not Just Knots (Rope)
 Josie McNary, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Rabbit
 Stella McNary, Ganges Happy Hearts, Market Rabbit
 Quentin McQueen, Country Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Mya Meyers, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Goat
 Cooper Miller, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Parker Miller, Rusty Riders, Market Rabbit
 Robbie Miller, Barnyard Buddies, Market Goat
 Wyatt Miller, Triangle T, Market Goat
 Brock Mills, Shelby FFA, Beef Feeder Calf
 Brock Mills, Shelby FFA, Market Beef
 Makenzie Mills, Wild-n-Free, Horse
 Emily Montgomery, Branded Pony, Market Rabbit
 Colten Montgomery, Shelby FFA, Beef Feeder Calf
 Colten Montgomery, Shelby FFA, Market Beef
 Emily Montgomery, Branded Pony, Horse
 Lindsay Montgomery, Wild-n-Free, Horse
 Madelyn Moore, Rusty Riders, Market Hog
 Allie Moysi, Triangle T, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Allie Moysi, Triangle T, Market Lamb
 Dane Moysi, Triangle T, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Mia Mullins, Mia Rusty Riders, Market Rabbit
 Daiden Newmeyer, Country Pals, Dog
 Daiden Newmeyer, Country Pals, Market Goat
 Maddison Newsome, Buckeye Farmers, Horse
 Kaelynn Nickell, Ring Raiders, Market Rabbit
 Kinleigh Nickell, Ring Raiders, Market Rabbit
 Emily Nolan, All Star Gang, Market Hog
 Sela Ogle, Country Clovers, Foods and Nutrition
 Arya Ohm, All Star Gang, Breeding Rabbit
 Ali Onusic, Bibs & Boots, Market Hog
 William Owens, Roaming Rovers, Get Started in Art
 Alexandria Pace, Barnyard Buddies, Breeding Goat
 Alexandria Pace, Barnyard Buddies, Breeding Rabbit
 Alexandria Pace, Barnyard Buddies, Market Goat
 Macey Parks, Richland Round-Up, Breeding Poultry - Ducks
 Macey Parks, Richland Round-Up, Breeding Poultry - Fancy
 Macey Parks, Richland Round-Up, Breeding Poultry - Pullets
 Westen Rehberg, Roaming Rovers, Market Poultry - Ducks
 Izaya Reynolds, Triangle T, Horse - Small Equine
 Gracie Rodman, Shelby FFA, Beef Feeder Calf
 Gracie Rodman, Shelby FFA, Breeding Beef
 Gracie Rodman, Shelby FFA, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Gracie Rodman, Shelby FFA, Market Beef
 Gracie Rodman, Shelby FFA, Market Goat
 Gracie Rodman, Richland Round-Up, Veterinary Science
 Gracie Rodman, Richland Round-Up, Your Feelings Matter
 Isaac Ross, Muddy Creek Clovers, Woodworking
 Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation, Beekeeping
 Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation, Breeding Poultry - Fancy
 Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation, Insect Adventure
 Finlay Rowlands, Next Generation, Market Poultry - Turkeys
 Hagen Sauder, Triangle T, Dairy Feeder Calf
 Kendal Schrader, Great Expectations, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Jaylen Scott, Neighhh Not Today, Horse
 Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Foods and Nutrition
 Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Leadership - Finding Your Voice
 Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Market Rabbit
 Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Photography
 Abigail Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Shooting Sports - Archery
 Secriskey, Carson Roaming Rovers, Foods and Nutrition
 Secriskey, Carson Shelby FFA, Market Poultry - Broilers

Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Shooting Sports - Archery
 Carson Secriskey, Roaming Rovers, Woodworking
 Amery Sexton, Country Clovers, Market Goat
 Kendal Shrader, Great Expectations, Market Poultry - Turkeys
 Reese Sifferlin, Rusty Riders, Market Hog
 Hayden Skropits, Barnyard Buddies, Horse
 Abigail Smith, Cubs & Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Katie Smith, Great Expectations, Market Goat
 Macey Smith, Great Expectations, Beef Feeder Calf
 Sarah Smith, Roaming Rovers, Breeding Poultry - Turkey
 Sarah Smith, Roaming Rovers, Market Poultry - Turkeys
 Kelsey Snyder, Shelby FFA, Breeding Goat
 Kelsey Snyder, Rusty Riders, Breeding Sheep
 Kelsey Snyder, Shelby FFA, Market Goat
 Kelsey Snyder, Shelby FFA, Market Lamb
 Makayla Spoerr, Next Generation, Market Poultry - Broilers
 Makenzie Spoerr, Next Generation, Market Rabbit
 Peyton Spohn, Neighhh Not Today, Beef Feeder Calf
 Peyton Spohn, Neighhh Not Today, Horse
 Jack Stephens, Rusty Riders, Market Hog
 Makayla Stephens, Country Pals, Market Poultry
 Chloe Stigall, Next Generation, Sew Fun
 Jeff Stigall, III, Next Generation, Crank It Up (Small Engines)
 Courtney Stiving, Shelby FFA, Beef Feeder Calf
 Courtney Stiving, Shelby FFA, Market Beef
 Alaina Stone, Kickin' It Kountry, Horse
 Payton Stover, Rusty Riders, Horse
 Evan Stuart, Crestview FFA, Self-Determined
 Kennedy Studer, Shelby FFA, Market Hog
 Jordan Tedrow, Branded Pony, Horse
 Jordan Tedrow, Branded Pony, Market Lamb
 Kale Tedrow, Branded Pony, Market Goat
 Isabelle Temple, Richland Co Livestock Lovers, Market Lamb
 Kendall Thomas, Triangle T Beef Feeder Calf
 Mary Thompson, New Edition, Horseless Horse
 Paisley Thrush, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Hog
 Rory Timmer, Rusty Riders, Market Rabbit
 Elliot Tingley, Branded Pony, Explore the Outdoors
 Emma Tingley, Branded Pony, Horse
 Riley Trumpower, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Goat
 Sarah Turner, Ganges Happy Hearts, Alpaca
 Sarah Turner, Ganges Happy Hearts, Cake Decorating
 Arica Uplinger, Country Clovers, Alpaca
 Arica Uplinger, Country Clovers, Market Goat
 Lysander Von Ehrenkrook, Roaming Rovers, Explore the Outdoors
 Lauryn Wade, Muddy Creek Clovers, Breeding Rabbit
 Lauryn Wade, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Rabbit
 Malia Walker, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Lamb
 Karli Walp, Shelby FFA, Market Hog
 Karli Walp, Shelby FFA, Market Lamb
 Kendra Walp, Shelby FFA, Market Hog
 Kendra Walp, Shelby FFA, Market Lamb
 Aliya Walter, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Goat
 Raya Walter, Kickin' It Kountry, Market Goat
 Stetson Wendling, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Hog
 Linzy Weyhmeller, Branded Pony, Horse
 Jack Whatman, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Poultry - Ducks
 Taylor Wolf, Muddy Creek Clovers, Market Hog
 Cody Wolford, Country Champions, Gardening
 Charlie Yoakam, Bibs & Boots, Beginning Fishing

2023 Richland County Junior Fair Dog Show

Auditor's Award, Dominick Rollison, Wild-n-Free 4-H
 Senior B Showmanship, Krysten Caudill, Plymouth FFA
 Novice A, Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers 4-H
 Pre-Novice, Krysten Caudill, Plymouth FFA
 Beginner Novice B, Makenzie Mills, Wild-n-Free 4-H
 Beginner Novice A, Charleigh Sherman, Freedom Wranglers 4-H
 Intermediate Rally off Leash, Deborah Crouch, Cubs & Clovers
 Intermediate Rally on Leash, Makenzie Mills, Wild-n-Free 4-H
 Intermediate Agility on Leash, Jakayla Shrock, Wild-n-Free 4-H

**Watch for More Results & Photos
in Upcoming Issues**

Artwork will transform abandoned parking lot into The Jericho Wall of Remembrance and Recovery

The “Banner Day at Jericho Wall” will be held Monday, Aug. 14, at 5 pm, West Dickson Ave., just east of First Christian Church.

A quiet, unkept parking lot and retaining wall will receive a complete makeover, creating a memorial art park for casualties of addiction.

The Jericho Wall of Remembrance and Recovery will be officially dedicated Thursday, Aug. 31, at 11 am, on National Overdose Awareness Day, as a way to bring comfort to grieving families and encouragement to those seeking recovery.

With many downtown churches and the entire Richland County Mental Health Board invested, the parking area will be transformed into a 12x190 foot mural featuring the work of four artists commissioned as a Public Art Initiative through the RCDG Mansfield Arts and Culture Sector, funded through the Mansfield Rising Plan.

Luke Beekman of Mankind Murals Inc., is coordinating the artwork.

“Public art catches people’s attention, and it can thoughtfully provoke and inspire hope. This wall and the transformation of such an urban space in downtown is a revitalizing experience,” he said.

“Art can help to elevate progress and explore a place’s potential. It can bring to light real issues such as this, where the real human suffering of addiction can be juxtaposed by the beauty of recovery.”

“You don’t have to be an artist to appreciate public art. And you don’t have to be addicted to care about recovery. This will be a place where art can signify uplift and inspire that journey of remembrance and recovery,” Beekman added.

The artists, commissioned to paint about 75 percent of the wall, are Drew Anderson, Mo Taylor, Ray Baughman, Shannon Volz.

Topping the eight-foot retaining wall will be a banner covering both sides of a chain-link fence, featuring a colorful sky background on one side, and the stained glass windows of First Christian Church on the other, donated by the Seaman Family Foundation of Wooster.

That banner will be installed in a public event Monday, Aug. 14, at 5 pm, with volunteers needed to help with the raising.

“It is not a heavy banner, just long and in need of a gentle touch” installing it, according to Paul Lintern, who envisioned the Jericho Wall initially. “It won’t take long, but many hands will make it happen.”

The area, 70 x 200 feet, has been paved with asphalt and retains 25 parking places, while keeping half of the area for pedestrian traffic.

Joe Trolan, director of the Richland County Mental Board, is overseeing the board’s building of a 12 x 20 foot pavilion that will provide information about the many organizations that serve issues of addiction and mental illness, which often go hand in hand.

“The Jericho Wall will provide both a symbolic representation of the tragic loss to families and community from the opiate epidemic as well as a symbol of our resilience that community has developed over the last dozen years” he said.

Two Mansfield Council members serve on the planning committee. Rev. El Akuchie, Ward Three, says, “This Jericho Wall is a symbol of love, compassion, hope, unity, peace and redemptive second chances.

“When God finds a people willing and obedient to His vision, He works through them to turn shame into honor, ashes into beauty, despair into praise and mourning into joy,” he added.

Aurelio Diaz, the council member whose Ward Five hosts the wall, says the wall represents more than just art.

“It is paying tribute to the legacy of those in our community whom we have lost, but it is also a testament to our community’s resilience and coming together,” he said.

“Art is very powerful, and when it is incorporated with humanity, it is even more beautiful.”

First Christian Church, owners of the parking lot since the 1960s, deeded the land to Project One to be overseers of the park. Amanda Nichols, director of that recovery service organization, which also operates the ARC Empowerment Center, said the area will help the community of addiction recovery in unique ways.

“A portrait is worth a thousand words. Embracing those who have gone on and encouraging those that are still here as our community comes together will be a main purpose. The art shows a heartfelt dedication to those that are loved but are gone and those that are still fighting,” Nichols says.

A stage in the corner provides a way for small groups to gather for ceremonies, meetings, music events and prayer services, becoming another venue for special events related to recovery.

Names of persons who have died of overdose, addiction, or related mental illness concerns will be painted on a portion of the wall, with family permission, to provide a place of remembrance.

“The emphasis of the wall is to remind people that addiction is not an identity, even if it is a reality. This wall will emphasize who a person is apart from their addiction, created in the image of God,” Lintern says.

The remaining portion of the wall will be painted at community events involving families and friends moving forward. An oversight committee of persons involved in recovery is planned to sponsor events, add name-placing ceremonies, keep security and cleanliness, and maintain funding avenues.

More information is available through www.jerichowall.info.



A group walks alongside, praying for the wall, during a March of Prayer service at First Christian, April 3.



The parking lot last October when the decision was made to develop the Jericho Wall at this site.



Painters completed priming the wall in anticipation of the commissioned artists’ start.

Mosquitoes carrying West Nile Virus detected

Richland Public Health officials have been notified by the Ohio Department of Health that West Nile Virus (WNV) has been detected in mosquitoes in the City of Mansfield.

"To be very clear, this is not a human infection case, but the first positive WNV mosquito samples in Richland County this year," Joe Harrod, Director of Environmental Health at Richland Public Health, stated. Health Department officials will continue to conduct surveillance and appropriate mosquito control measures to discourage transmission of the mosquito-borne illness to residents.

West Nile Virus is a mosquito-borne virus where human symptoms are generally mild and often mimic the flu. In extreme cases, WNV can cause Encephalitis (inflammation of the brain), Meningitis (inflammation of lining of the brain and the spinal cord) or death. Approximately 80 percent of people who are infected with WNV will not show any symptoms at all.

Those who develop symptoms usually do so between three to 14 days after they are bitten by an infected mosquito. There is no specific treatment for WNV infection and care is based on symptom control and/or relief. The best way to prevent West Nile Virus is to prevent mosquito bites.

Richland Public Health's Mosquito Control Program conducts surveillance, treats, and sprays throughout the season to monitor mosquito populations and mosquito-spread disease throughout the county.

Residents are asked to eliminate standing water and take precautions to protect themselves and loved ones from mosquito bites.

Preventing Mosquito Bites

Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water, which includes puddles, stagnant ditches, and containers such as old tires, buckets,

cans, neglected swimming pools and flower pots. Mosquitoes can carry diseases, including West Nile Virus, which can cause serious illness. It is important to apply mosquito repellent when participating in any outdoor activity when mosquitoes are active.

Richland Public Health recommends residents follow these tips to help avoid mosquito bites:

- Make sure that doors and windows have tight-fitting screens
- Repair or replace all torn screens in your home
- Remove all discarded tires from your property
- Dispose of tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots, or similar water-holding containers
- Make sure roof gutters drain properly. Clean clogged gutters in the spring and fall.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, outdoor saunas, and hot tubs. If not in use, keep pools/saunas empty and covered.
- Drain water from pool covers
- Change the water in bird baths at least once a week
- Turn over plastic wading pools, wheelbarrows, etc. when not in use
- Clean ditches of obstructions so they drain properly
- Eliminate any standing water that collects on your property
- Check trees for cavities that hold water and fill them with soil, gravel, or sand
- Remind or help neighbors to eliminate breeding sites on their properties
- Use insect repellent and follow the label directions

August 11 serves as reminder to contact 811 before digging

August 11 is almost here, and Columbia Gas hopes that 8/11 on the calendar will be a natural reminder for residents to contact 811 before any digging project to have underground utility lines marked. An underground utility line is damaged every few minutes because someone decided to dig without first contacting 811.

Damaging a line can lead to expensive repairs, utility outages and injuries. Whether installing a mailbox, building a deck, planting a tree or laying a patio, Columbia Gas reminds Ohioans to contact 811 at least two business days before breaking ground. When you contact 811 your local utility companies mark the approximate location of any buried lines in your yard, so you don't risk injuring yourself or disrupting utility service to the neighborhood.

Call 811 or go online to OUPS.org to make your request. No matter how large or small, every digging project requires contacting 811 to ensure underground utilities have been appropriately marked before digging. Visit OUPS.org or ColumbiaGasOhio.com for more information about 811 and safe digging practices.

Fish fry planned for this Saturday

The Everson Fish Fry will be on Saturday, Aug. 12, from noon to 4 pm at Umadaop Community Outreach Center, 215 Trimble Rd. The menu will be fish or chicken, macaroni and cheese, green beans, fried corn, dessert and a drink. The proceeds from this event will go to support The Education Committee of NAACP Scholarship Fund.

Each year NAACP Mansfield provides students with scholarships. The 2023 Scholarship recipient is Shyah Puckett, graduate of Mansfield Senior High School; chosen because she demonstrates "Excellence in Education."

Puckett has volunteered at Grace Episcopal Church in the food pantry for the past four years. In her spare time, Shyah writes poetry and loves to braid hair.

She plans to pursue an education degree at the Mansfield Branch of The Ohio State University and hopes to become a middle school English teacher. Her goal is to earn her teaching degree and return to Mansfield City Schools to "give back to the community."

Anyone interested in helping but cannot attend can send donations to the NAACP at P.O. Box 1044 Mansfield, OH 44902.

For information on how to volunteer contact Atris Everson at 630-846-0296.

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NAMES ARE ENTERED IN CASUALTY DATE ORDER

• Body Recovered • Missing
58,300 CASUALTIES
Female 8 Male 58,292

REASON CASUALTIES

Gun, Small Arms	18,588
Fragmentary Wounds	8,456
Air Loss; Crash on Land	7,992
Other Explosive Devices	7,450
Artillery, Rocket or Mortar	4,914
Accident	1,371
Misadventure	1,326
Drowned; Suffocated	1,207
Vehicle Loss; Crash	1,187
Accidental Homicide	944
Accidental Self-Destruction	842
Other Causes	754
Air Loss; Crash at Sea	577
Burns	530
Illness; Disease	482
Suicide	392
Heart Attack	273
Intentional Homicide	234
Malaria	118
Bomb Explosion	52
Stroke	42
Hepatitis	22
Unknown; Not Reported	520



Photos By Jeff Hoffer

Vietnam Traveling Wall comes to Ashland

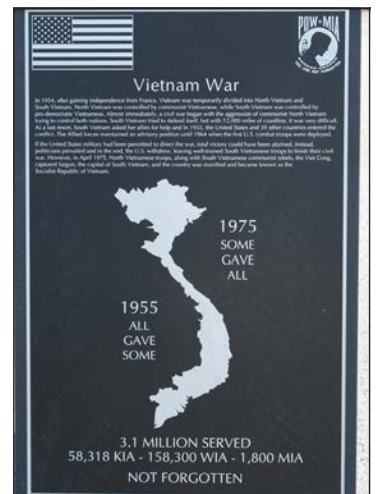
The Ashland County Fairgrounds was host to a 360-foot-long replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Aug. 3-6. The wall was on display for visitors for the 10th annual Veterans Appreciation Day.

The American Veterans Traveling Tribute is a replica that 3/5 scale of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. The display is 300 feet long and stands 8 feet high. Every name included on the wall in D.C. is also included on the traveling wall.

Memorial signs also included memorials for 9/11.

The Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall is part of the Vietnam and All Veterans of Brevard (VVB) located in Brevard County Florida.

The VVB is a 501(c)(3) organization that was formed and incorporated in December of 1985. For information visit <https://www.travelingwall.us>



Mansfield Adult Education begins new school year

Andrea Karpiak-Feasel, program coordinator for Mansfield Adult Education's Aspire program lights up when asked about the hardwork and determination of her students. "Traditionally, folks are used to summers off from school and are now gearing up for back-to-school because that's the calendar that our K-12 system follows. But, besides the week of July 4th, our adult students attend year-round," Karpiak-Feasel said. "Our 2023-'24 school year officially started July 1 but these students come continuously, persevere through personal struggles, and overcome barriers every day."

Mansfield Adult Education offers daytime, evening and virtual classes at four locations in Ashland, Crawford, and Richland Counties. These include

daytime classes online, at the Crawford Success Center, and at the main location at 150 W. Fifth St.. Evening classes are held at Madison Adult Career Center and the Salvation Army Ashland Kroc Center.

Classes range from GED tutoring to ASVAB preparation but are not limited to just these. Programs offered are free and equip students with the skills and confidence they need to take the next step in their career or continue their education elsewhere.

GED and Adult Diploma Program/ WorkKeys preparation classes are held year-round with orientations happening bi-weekly. Aside from these preparation classes, programs planned for the year include an Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) preparation course

and a Customer and Office Support Technology (COST) Adult Diploma Program, both in partnership with Madison Adult Career Center.

Aside from offering extensive services to adult learners, Mansfield Adult Education also houses an official GED® Testing Service computer-based test site.

Classes and assistance is also available to students who have completed their high school diploma and are looking to continue their education either at a local career center or community college.

Those interested in learning more about what's available to students should call Mansfield Adult Education at 419-525-6380 or visit the website at mansfieldadulthoodeducation.com for more information, including who is eligible for classes.



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Join us for a free program! Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter

ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA:
Early Detection and Biomarkers
Dr. Daniel Lee, Neuropsychiatrist

Please join us to hear from Dr. Daniel Lee, Neuropsychiatrist with OhioHealth Neuro Behavioral Health, Mansfield, about the importance of early detection and the tools and biomarkers that are used in the early diagnostic process.

The Alzheimer's Association will also share information on valuable resources available and how to access them.

Thursday, August 17, 2023

4:00 pm to 5:15 pm

Area Agency on Aging

Hawkins Event Center

2131 Park Avenue West, Suite 300, Ontario, OH

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

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567.302.3610 or JenCMiller@alz.org



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MADISON VS CLEAR FORK FOOTBALL SCRIMMAGE · AUG. 5
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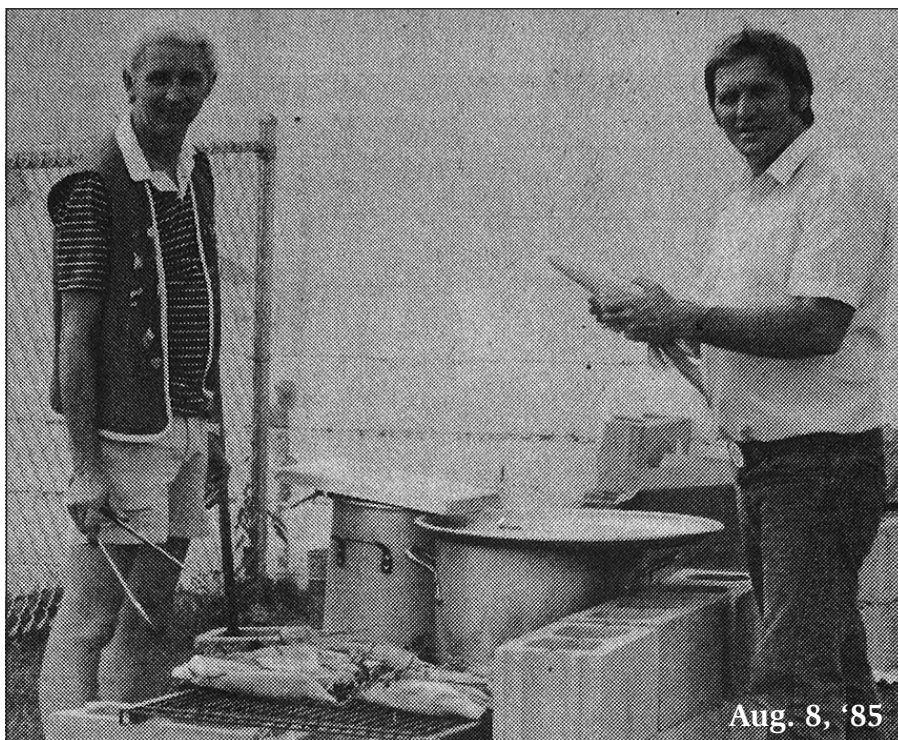


LOOKING BACK • THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



Aug. 9, '90

THE ONTARIO GIRLS TEENER SOFTBALL TEAM is shown with trophies, individual and team, after winning the Madison tournament. Kneeling are Jennifer Melching, Amy Perry, Tracy Thomas, Trisha Thomas and Tina Cochran. Standing are coach Joe Thomas, Becky Pugh, Mandy Bennett, Heather Bowman, Susan Strickler, Meredith Haber, Heather Renchen, Tiffany Meyers and coach



Aug. 8, '85

CORN ROASTERS — Lexington Lion Virgil Cooper and Wayne Huvler of Lexington's Robert Castor VFW Post 5101 clean and roast corn over hot coals Saturday at the old fashioned ox roast held at the post home on Rt. 42 south of Lexington.. Cooper is treasurer of the Lexington Lions and Huvler is ways and means chairman of the VFW post.

George Billman

This Day in History — After a decade of debate about how best to spend a bequest left to America from an obscure English scientist, President James K. Polk signs the Smithsonian Institution Act into law on Aug. 10, 1846. In 1829, James Smithson died in Italy, leaving behind a will with a peculiar footnote. In the event that his only nephew died without any heirs, Smithson decreed that the whole of his estate would go to "the United States of America, to found at Washington, under the name of the Smithsonian Institution, an Establishment for the increase and diffusion of knowledge." Smithson's curious bequest to a country that he had never visited aroused significant attention on both sides of the Atlantic. Smithson had been a fellow of the venerable Royal Society of London from the age of 22, publishing numerous scientific papers on mineral composition, geology, and chemistry. In 1802, he overturned popular scientific opinion by proving that zinc carbonates were true carbonate minerals, and one type of zinc carbonate was later named smithsonite in his honor. Six years after his death, his nephew, Henry James Hungerford, indeed died without children, and on July 1, 1836, the U.S. Congress authorized acceptance of Smithson's gift. President Andrew Jackson sent diplomat Richard Rush to England to negotiate for transfer of the funds, and two years later Rush set sail for home with 11 boxes containing a total of 104,960 gold sovereigns, 8 shillings, and 7 pence, as well as Smithson's mineral collection, library, scientific notes, and personal effects. After the gold was melted down, it amounted to a fortune worth well over \$500,000. After considering a series of recommendations, including the creation of a national university, a public library, or an astronomical observatory, Congress agreed that the bequest would support the creation of a museum, a library, and a program of research, publication, and collection in the sciences, arts, and history. On Aug. 10, 1846, the act establishing the Smithsonian Institution was signed into law by President James K. Polk. Today, the Smithsonian is composed of several museums and galleries including the National Museum of African American History and Culture, nine research facilities throughout the United States and the world, and the national zoo. *History.com*

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PROBATE COURT OF
RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO

ESTATE OF JAMES SCOTT
HOOPER, DECEASED.

CASE No. 20231177
PUBLICATION OF NOTICE

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED
IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES SCOTT
HOOPER, DECEASED, LATE OF 506
Kentucky Avenue, Mansfield, Ohio
44905. RICHLAND COUNTY PRO-
BATE COURT, CASE NO. 20231177.
An application has been filed asking
to relieve the estates from administra-
tion, saying that the assets of the case
do not exceed the statutory limits.

Persons knowing any reason why
any such application should not be
granted should appear and inform the
Court. The Court is located at 50 Park
Avenue East, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

Edward Clark Corley
Attorney at Law
3 N. Main St., Suite 603
Mansfield, Ohio 44902
(T-C) 25L

LEGAL NOTICE

Probate Court, Richland County Ohio.
Case No. 20231347

In the matter of the Estate of Lenora
Virginia Gossett

To: Next of Kin whose present ad-
dress(es) are unknown.

You are hereby notified that on July
11, 2023, Juli M. Lambert has filed an
Application for Authority to Administer
Estate.

Pursuant to Rule notice is hereby giv-
ing that the hearing on the Application
for Authority to Administer Estate will
be held on the 14th day of September
2023 in Richland County Probate
Court, 50 Park Avenue East, 2nd floor,
Mansfield, OH, 44902 at 1 pm before
the probate judge/magistrate.

Juli M. Lambert Applicant
James Bart Leonardi, Attorney
24700 Center Ridge Rd., Ste 2S0,
Westlake, OH 44145

Back-to-school season opportune time to purchase for Operation Christmas Child

As the school year approach-
es, shoebox packers are mak-
ing use of back-to-school pric-
es to purchase gifts and essen-
tial items for children in need
around the world. Residents in
Ontario are collecting school
supplies, along with personal
care items and fun toys, to pack
in shoeboxes.

Operation Christmas Child,
a project of Samaritan's Purse,
will deliver these gift-filled shoe-
boxes to children in more than
100 countries.

For many children, access to
these simple items is essential to
an education. This was the case
for Justin Thomas, a shoebox re-
cipient in Southeast Asia whose
parents could not afford the sup-
plies needed for school. Thom-
as remembers the specific day
he received a gift-filled shoebox

from Operation Christmas Child
and found it filled with toys and
most exciting to him — school
supplies!

Growing up with hand-me-
down clothes and used items,
Thomas used to write with a
pencil so short that he held it us-
ing a pen cap. Having an entire
packet of new pencils and a pen-
cil sharpener all his own was a
treasure to him. This simple gift
made a life-changing impact for
Thomas because it opened the
doors for him to receive an ed-
ucation.

For more information, visit sa-
maritanspurse.org/occ. Nation-
al Collection Week is Nov. 13-
20. Participants can donate \$10
per shoebox gift online through
"Follow Your Box" and receive a
tracking label to discover its des-
tination. Those who prefer the

convenience of online shopping
can browse samaritanspurse.
org/buildonline to select gifts
matched to a child's specific age
and gender, then finish packing
the virtual shoebox by adding a
photo and personal note of en-
couragement.

Operation Christmas Child,
a project of Samaritan's Purse,
seeks to demonstrate God's love
in a tangible way to children in
need around the world and, to-
gether with the local church
worldwide, to share the Good
News of Jesus Christ.

Since 1993, Operation Chri-
stmas Child has collected and de-
livered more than 209 million
gift-filled shoeboxes to children
in more than 170 countries and
territories. This year, Operation
Christmas Child will celebrate
its 30th year of ministry!

Permits issued in Ontario

City of Ontario Zoning Inspector Michael Morton has re-
leased the July zoning report.

Permits were issued to Natasha Repp, Park Avenue West,
wheelchair ramp; Farm Credit, N. Lexington Springmill
Rd., new building; and Shambaugh, Home Rd., accessory
building.

A driveway permit was issued to CJ Properties, Red Ma-
ple Ln.

Sign permits were issued to Bake My Day, Lexington
Springmill Rd., relocate; Holiday Inn, Guest Ct., two wall
signs, and a ground sign; and GFS, N. Lexington Springmill
Rd., pole sign and five wall signs.

Erectors license permits were issued to Ace Lighting,
Moore Rd #14, annual; and Universal Sign and Falcon
View, annual.

A storm water permit was issued to Farm Credit, N. Lex-
ington Springmill Rd.

Concession stand permits were issued to Eshelmens Ta-
ble, Mapledale Ave.; KC Delights, Hook Rd.; and Country
Fresh Farms, Celebration Way.

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