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Photo By Traci Little

**THE ONTARIO LIONS CLUB PANCAKE DAY** was held Saturday, April 6, at Ontario High School. The Lions were busy serving pancakes and sausage from 6:30 am to noon. Ontario Lions Club President Jim Henry works at the griddle during the event.

(See more photos on pages 6 & 7).

### Richland County EMA hosts annual Skywarn Spotter Training

Richland County EMA is hosting the annual Skywarn Spotter Training conducted by the National Weather Service (NWS) on Monday, April 15, from 6–7:30 pm. The training will be held at Pioneer Career and Technology Center in Shelby. Light refreshments will be provided and door prize drawings.

The training is free and open to anyone, even those from other counties. Preregistration is required at https://www.weather.gov/cle/SKYWARN\_schedule. Contact 419-774-5686 for information.

The NWS conducts trainings annually across the state to share information on a variety of topics including Basics of Thunderstorm Development, Fundamentals of Storm Structure, Identifying Potential Severe Weather Features, and Basic Severe Weather Safety.

In most years, thunderstorms, tornadoes and lightning cause hundreds of injuries and deaths and billions in property and crop damages. To obtain critical weather information, the National Weather Service (NWS) established SKYWARN® with partner organizations. SKYWARN® is a volunteer program with between 350,000 and 400,000 trained severe weather spotters. These volunteers help keep their local communities safe by providing timely and accurate reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service.

Although SKYWARN<sup>®</sup> spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards, the focus is reporting on severe local thunderstorms. In an average year, the U.S. experiences more than 10,000 severe thunderstorms, 5,000 floods and more than 1,000 tornadoes.

### **Lexington makes request for revitalization funding**

The Village of Lexington Council held a meeting March 18. Mayor Jarvis presided with council members Keith Bacin, Adam Gongwer, Aaron Hoptry, Wynn Kearns, Kim Little, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise present.

Also attending were Attorney John Studenmund, Chief Troy Weaver, Administrator Peter Them, Finance Director Jim Banks and Assistant Finance Director Rachel Fagan.

Rachel Pugh, owner of Hello Events, expressed interest in working with the village for special events throughout the year. These would be including, but not limited to, Light Up Lexington and other future events. Pugh volunteered her help for last year's Light Up Lexington. Her office is located in the new "The Note" building.



Finance director Jim Banks reported that all financial books for the month of January have been balanced.

Finance director Peter Them said that due to Andy Smallstey's retirement, there is a seat open to serve on the board for NOPEC. Them has been asked to serve.

"Mr. Them, the Edge Group, and I met with Senator Romanchuk for assistance in obtaining state capitol funding for our downtown revitalization," said Mayor Bob Jarvis. "I was told by Senator Romanchuk that Representative Marilyn John did not ask for monies for the Village of Lexington or for any assistance for the revitalization in Lexington, and therefore I had to resubmit my request to Mr. Romanchuk."

"Approximately \$850 million dollars is available. Senator Romanchuk has guided us into a scenario to produce best results with decreasing our request, and priming the pump with Village of Lexington funding."

A request was made for \$1.1 million in grant money and the village of Lexington will input \$60,000 for revitalization at Lexington Senior Depot .

Richland County's Regional Planning Committee pay is \$2,915. They currently are assisting with the connector grant money the village seeks. Richland County Regional Planning will hold a CRA meeting to approve Next Generation CRA.

U.S. Route 42 ODOT grant money was submitted and received.

Chief Weaver reported that the department will be participating in the next Drug Take Back on April 27, from 10 am to 2 pm. Drop-offs can be brought into the lobby of the building or drive through the back parking lot.

An ordinance establishing new rates for water and sewer connection tap fees for new residential construction and declaring an emergency was approved.

Councilman Hoptry was concerned because council did not read the ordinance on two separate occasions, thereby allowing homeowners, builders and contractors to attend the council reading and voice their opinion.

Studenmund explained that the emergency language creates immediate effect, and without it, the effect is 30 days post approval. Councilman Kearns noted that the ordinance was approached approximately one year ago, but never came to fruition until last week.

Councilman Little emphasized that the owner of the land pays for the tap fee when purchasing the property. Councilman Kearns explained if the ordinance is turned down with the majority of votes, the ordinance can be restructured and returned to council for another vote.

Councilman Kearns attended the most recent cemetery board meeting. Monthly reconciliation was read for the first time.

### "Honest Sam" Kirkwood

#### **Bv Bob Carter**

On Dec. 20, 1813, Samuel J. Kirkwood was born in Maryland to a wealthy family. In 1823, he was sent to Washington to study Latin and Greek, but returned to his family after they suffered financial reverses. The family then settled in Richland County. He helped clear land for a farm and, with his education, taught school in Newville.

He moved to Mansfield in 1841 and studied law under attorney Thomas W. Bartley. Two years later he passed the State Bar Exam. Bartley offered him a partnership and the joint law firm was formed. Kirkwood became active in politics and in 1845 was elected prosecuting attorney. The new prosecuting attorny was to face a big challenge.

Frank Baker, a promising young attorney, was murdered by a man named Bowland. Bad blood had existed between the two and their families, complicated by the fact that Mrs. Baker was a Bowland.

One day the two met on a street, a violent argument ensued and Bowland violently stabbed Baker. Kirkwood and Baker had been friends and the murder case would be a test of the new prosecuting attorney.

At the trial the defense was lawyers Thomas Ewing, Secretary of the Interior under President Taylor, and Columbus Deleno, who served the same office under Grant.

Kirkwood would serve as interior secretary under Garfield. Judge

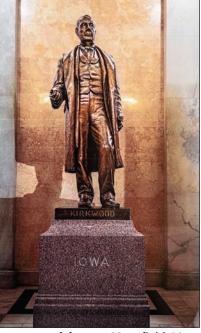
Ebeneezer Lane, for 15 years a Justice of the Ohio Supreme Court, came from Sandusky to assist Kirkwood. Lane assisted Kirkwood in making the final argument in the case.

Present as spectators in the courtroom were John Sherman, Thomas W. Bartley, acting Governor, and Kirkwood's mentor and, his father the incumbent governor.

Samuel Medary, commenting editorially in the Ohio State Journal about the concentration of political control in Mansfield, facetiously suggested that a "State of Richland" should be organized.

Kirkwood presented his case againt Bowland, who was convived of murder in the first degree and sentenced to hang.

Kirkwood, trying his first Washington.



Actually, two men were A STATUE of former Mansfield Mayon trial. Bowland for the or Samuel Kirkwood can be seen by murder he committed and many in the Capitol Hall of Fame in



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major case while opposed by formidable legal talent. "Honest Sam" as his associates nick named him, established his legal reputation.

In 1854 "Honest Sam" was elected mayor of Mansfield, but a year later, at the urging of his wife, resigned and moved to Iowa.

Once again he became involved in politics and from 1860 to 1864, served as the Civil War Governor of Iowa. He served the same post again from 1876 to 1877. He served an unexpired term in the U.S. Senate and was appointed secretary of the interior in 1876. He ran for Congress in 1886, but was defeated.

From teaching in a one room school at Newville to a cabinet post in Washington, Samuel Jordan Kirkwood left a lasting trail of achievements. The murder case in Mansfield is long forgotten, but not Kirkwood. Each day hundreds view his statue in the Hall of Fame in the Capitol in Washington.



Usually, the first months of the year are when the studios put out their clunkers. These

winter months usually contain some pretty bad films, and this year is no exception.

Night Swim was released in January and is now streaming on Peacock.

What a boring movie this is. A young couple (Wyatt Russell and Kerry Condon) move into a home with their two chil-

dren while Russell's character is dealing with health issues. The swimming pool in the backyard has a history. The past occupants of the house have gone missing. It turns out there is something sinister in the pool as it tries to take over everyone who goes swimming.

*Night Swim* never takes off or gets going. People go swimming and there are cheap jump scares and there is a back story that tries to contain hauntings and evil former occupants though none of it is at all interesting.

Russell and Condon are great actors (Condon got an Oscar nomination a couple of years ago) but they sleepwalk through these roles and neither of them have any personality. If you have

> seen any horror movies, really you have already seen this movie.

The film has a serious tone and sense of realism instead of being a great deal of fun. The longer the movie goes on, the more absurd it is and none of it is memorable.

Personally, to recommend a movie I have to want to come

back to it. Nothing about this one is even entertaining because it goes for a dark feel and when you have unlikeable characters and a script that provides no real scares, it is hard to get invested.

Night Swim is a boring, predictable movie which tries to combine scares with supernatural elements though it ends up being nothing, but false jump scares combined with a possession subplot that amount to nothing more than being forgettable.



### Orchestra and chorus collaborate

The Mansfield Symphony Orchestra alongside the Mansfield Symphony Chorus, continues its season on Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 pm with Schubert's Mass No. 2 in G Major.

This performance is a collaboration between the Mansfield Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, featuring a repertoire of classical music's favorite waltzes and brass showpieces. A pre-concert "symphony talk" will be presented by Mark Sebastian Jordan.

The performace will be at the Renaissance, 138 Park Avenue West, Mansfield. For tickets visit rentickets.org or call 419-522-2726.

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There will be two sessions of the senior citizen luncheon at Madison Comprehensive High School's Ramble Inn, 600 Esley Ln., on Thursday, April 18. The first session will be at 11 am, and the second will be at 12:30 pm. The cost is \$8 per lunch. Reservations must be made by noon on Tuesday, April 16. Call the board office at 419-589-2600, Ext. 65001, or email rlyons@madisonrams.net to make a reservation.

Richland County Solid Waste's Monthly Board meeting time has changed. The meetings will now take place at 3 pm on the second Wednesday of each month.

Ontario Community Events and Ontario Local Schools are hosting the 3rd Annual Senior Citizen Prom at the Ontario Middle School, 447 Shelby Ontario Rd. Ontario, on May 4, from 5:30–8 pm.

This is a free semi-formal dance for senior citizens of the City of Ontario and surrounding areas.

Just Jazz Live band will be performing and there will be lots of food, non-alcoholic drinks, a photo booth and raffle prizes. RSVP by April 26, to Ontario Community Events tarin@oysports.com or call 419-961-5016. with name, phone number and email address.

The Richland County Notification System (RcAlerts) allows residents to sign up to receive emergency and community alerts. These notifications can be received on your cell phone, work phone, text message, email and home phone.

This is a free service that is provided by Richland County to its residents. Notifications are dependent upon external providers, message and data rates may apply. Richland County cannot guarantee that notifications will be received by the intended recipient.

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A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, April 27 and 28. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, broken down cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

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The Richland County Genealogical Society, along with the Morrow and Knox County Chapters of the Ohio Genealogical Society, will sponsor nationally- known speaker, Daniel Horowitz, of MyHeritage on Wednesday, April 17, at 6 pm.

He will present "The Funny Side of Genealogy." Laugh a little as he shares some of the more bizarre techniques and resources he's utilized as a genealogist.

Earlier in the day, at 3 pm Horowitz will present "Where There's a Will There's a Way... To Research Your Family." He will be sponsored by The Ohio Genealogical Society. He will showcase the tools and strategies he used to find the descendants of a distant relative by reviewing the relative's will.

Both events will be held at The Samuel D. Isaly Library, 611 St. Rt. 97 West, Bellville.

St. Rt. 13 (N. Main St.) will undergo bridge repairs in the City of Mansfield, between Olive Street and N. Diamond Street. This area closed Tuesday, April 9. Traffic will be detoured from St. Rt. 13 to E. 6th St. to N. Diamond St., and reverse. Estimated completion is Thursday, May 9.

A showing of the movie "Screenagers: Under the Influence- Addressing Vaping, Drugs and Alcohol in the Digital Age," will be held by Communiuty Action for Capable Youth (CACY) on May 7 at 5:30 pm at Linden Road Presbyterian Church.

The movie examines the impact of our digital age on teens' decision-making in relation to substances such as vaping, drugs and alcohol.

Explore the latest research and learn more about the personal experiences of teens and families. The film highlights the changing landscape of the substances themselves, offering solutions for how to best empower teens as they face decisions about what they will and will not be influenced by.

The Richland County Local Emergency Planning Committee meetings are scheduled for April 24 and July 24 at 3:15 pm at Richland Public Health, 555 Lexington Ave, Mansfield, in the Corley Room. For information contact Richland County EMA 419-774-5686.

A free Shelby community meal will be held at Awake Church, 3616 St. Rt. 39., Shelby, on the second Thursday of each month, from 6–7 pm. Dates are April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12.

For information visit www.awakeshelby.com or call 419-342-4636.

The 3rd Annual SPT Charity Golf Outing will be held Friday, May 17, at Twin Lakes Golf Course, 2220 Marion Avenue Rd., Mansfield.

Entry includes breakfast, dinner, beverage, snacks, golf, cart and prizes. Specialized Pipe Technologies seeks to utilize golf to spark a day of generosity and great times to benefit the Richland County Special Olympics.

For more information call 419-834-8366 or email aaron@sptohio.com. To register visit https://files.constantcontact.com/5fc06ec5201/3f846a90-7d29-4b37-83cd-bd19efb80b6a.pdf?rdr = true

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at 11:30 am at Der Dutchman, Rt. 96, Bellville. Meals are \$15. The next meal will be held April 17, and will include turkey. The Clear Fork Vo Ag Department will present "Easter Bonnets." A collection of non-perishable items will be held for the Salvation Army.

For information visit www.lexasc.org. Dues are \$10 per year.

The Firelands Symphony Orchestra (FSO), under the direction of Carl Topilow, presents the season finale concert Violin Virtuosity on Saturday, April 13 at 7:30 pm at Sawmill Creek Convention Center, Sandusky. The concert will not only feature the full orchestra, but also renowned guest violinist Steven Greenman. (Continued on Page 5)





La'Shaun Reuer, Tammy Puff and Nikki Harless

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Clay Memorial Lutheran Church 1601 Amoy East Rd., Mansfield 419-747-6882 Pastor Carol Kilgore Sunday School 9:15 am Sunday Worship 10:30 am

#### **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 Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

200 West Third St., Mansfield 419-524-4813 • mansfield1stcc1833@gmail.com Rev. Gregory Bibler Office Hours: Tu., W., Th. 9 am to 1 pm 10:30 am Sunday Worship Christian Builders, Sunday, 9:30 am www.FirstChristianChurchMansfield.com FB: FirstChristianChurch,Mansfield,Ohio First Congregational Church 640 Millsboro Rd., Mansfield 419-756-3046 • www.mansfieldfcc.com Pastor Brad Bunn 8:30 am Chapel • 10:30 am Sanctuary Sunday School 10:30 am

#### **First English Lutheran Church**

53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield
419-522-0662 • www.felc-mansfield.org Interim Pastor Lisa Peterson
9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship Call about Prayer Groups, Small Groups, Bible Studies, Book Clubs, Pub Theology, Community Meals, Free Produce distribution and Senior Boxes.

#### Hope Lutheran Church

(Formerly St. Paul & St. Timothy) 2010 Park Avenue West, Mansfield 419-529-4351 • www.lutheranhope.org Pastor Jonathan Stufft 9:30 am Sunday Worship 10 am Thursday Bible Study Free Breakfast 2nd Saturdays 9 am Free Dinner 4th Sundays 5 pm

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



### Gov. DeWine recognizes April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

Gov. Mike DeWine has recognized April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Ohio, issuing a proclamation in commemoration.

Tammy Puff, Director of Military and Veterans Relations for Gov. DeWine, presented an official copy of the proclamation to RCCS Executive Director Nikki Harless and DEI Officer La'Shaun Reuer, on Wednesday, April 3, at Richland County Children Services.

The proclamation raises awareness about the need for all Ohioans to do their part to keep children safe from abuse and neglect.

<sup>4</sup>Ohio recognizes the collective impact of parents, family members, educators, public officials, and faith-based organizations who share the responsibility to protect out and to ensure that children are safe and can grow up without fear of abuse and neglect to realize their full potential," Governor DeWine said.

"Ohio is committed to raising children in a secure and loving environment where hey can thrive, develop character and learn to be responsible citizens with the help of all Ohioans."

#### 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 ADA Accessible Nursery and Children's Programming Available

#### **Mansfield Baptist Temple**

752 N. Stewart Rd., Mansfield 419-589-5413 • www.mbt.org Pastor Rob Kurtz 9:30 am Sunday School 10:30 am & 5:30 pm Sunday Worship 7 pm Wednesday Service

#### **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

#### St. John's United Church of Christ

68 Park Avenue East, Mansfield 419-522-2813 • www.stjohnsmansfield.org Pastor Faith Proietti 10 am Sunday Worship Office hours: Mon–Fri 9am to 1pm AA Meetings M & F 10 am & noon; Wed. noon Brown Bag and Sat. 6 pm Clothing Ministry by appt: 419-512-9817

#### **Trinity Grace Fellowship**

1592 Grace St., Mansfield 419-589-5890 • trinitygracefellowship.org Pastor Larry Carnes 9:30 am Sunday Worship 11 am Sunday School Bible Study Mondays 2 pm

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General admission tickets are available at FirelandsSymphony. com/Tickets or by calling the FSO office at 419-621-4800 (Monday– Thursday, 9 am to 4 pm). Adult tickets are \$30, and student tickets for youth and college students are free.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Brian Moore to speak on "Oneness — We are the World" at 10:30 am on Sunday, April 14. For more information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

The City of Ontario will host Summer Concerts at Marshall Park this summer. The concert admission is free and those attending are encouraged to bring a blanket or lawn chairs.

Concerts are at the Marshall Park Band Shell from 6–8 pm. The schedule includes June 11, Conne; June 25, Red Ball Jets; July 9, David Perry; July 23, Oolong Gurus; Aug. 13, Soul Town Live; and Aug. 27, Atermath.

Mansfield 1st EPC, 399 S. Trimble Rd., will host a spring rummage sale on Friday, April 19, from 9 am to 4 pm; and Saturday, April 20, from 9 am to noon. This is a semi-annual rummage sale with a selection of clothing for children and adults, shoes, books, toys, housewares, furniture, and more. Proceeds are used for local missions.

For information call 419-756-7066. The church is located at the corner of Trimble Rd. and Millsboro Rd.

#### Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Carole Ann Taylor, March 28 Jeri Lynn Garn, March 31 Thomas Arden Workman, March 31 Robert Eugene Watts, April 1 Freda Gail Fisher, April 2 Stephen Nicholas Ryan Rock, April 2 Carol June Mott, April 3 Lillie Mae Davis, April 4 Thomas Ralph Reboulet, April 4 Robert E. Houseman, April 5 Leona Isabel Hunter, April 5

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# **ONTARIO LIONS PANCAKE DAY**





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Thursday, April 11, 2024





**PATTY FRIDDELL** proudly served pancakes at this year's Ontario Lions Pancake Day, wearing a shirt that read, "In loving memory of Dad." Friddell is a former Ontario graduate. She fell in love with her husband Dave in halls of Ontario High School. They now live in Michigan. She enjoys making the drive to help serve at the Ontario Pancake breakfasts. This particular one was very special. Patty is the daughter of former Lion member, Charlie "Chuck" Crawford. Charlie passed away on Jan. 13 at the age of 93. His memory with always live on! Charles came to Mansfield in 1946, served in the US Army from 1951-1953 in Germany. He was a member of Moose Lodge #341, Ontario Lions Club, Amvets, and life member of the Ontario Lions Club, working at the hot dog trailer at various events.

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# **ONTARIO LIONS PANCAKE DAY**



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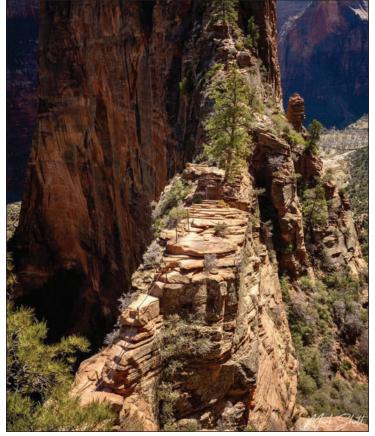
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### Donors asked to give in honor of National Volunteer Month

During National Volunteer Month in April, the American Red Cross asks donors to help protect the blood supply by making and keeping blood or platelet donation appointments in the weeks ahead. Donors of all blood types – especially type O blood donors and those giving platelets – are needed now to keep the blood supply strong enough to support critical patient care this spring.

The Red Cross depends on thousands of volunteer blood donors to collect about 12,000 blood donations every single day. With no substitute for blood and no way to manufacture it, volunteer donors are essential in transfusion care. Blood drives and donation centers also depend on the generosity and valuable time of those who make it possible for the Red Cross to help people in need.

Book a time to give lifesaving blood or platelets by visiting Red-CrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App. Those who come to give April 8–28, will receive a \$10 e-gift card to a merchant of choice, plus be automatically entered to win a \$7,000 gift card. There will be two lucky winners. See RedCrossBlood.org/Spring for details.

Bloodmobiles are scheduled for:

Thursday, April 11, noon to 6 pm, Mosaic at Park Avenue Baptist Church, 296 Park Ave West, Mansfield; 1–7 pm, Mohican Wood Products, 20460 Nunda, Butler; and 10 am to 4 pm, OhioHealth, 199 W. Main St., Shelby

Tuesday, April 16, 1–6 pm, Crossroads Ontario Campus, 636 Lexington-Springmill Rd. S., Ontario

Wednesday, April 17, 8 am to 8 pm, St. Peter's High School, 111 W. First St., Mansfield; noon to 6 pm and Richland Mall, Ontario

Thursday, April 18, 10 am to 4 pm, Schmidt Security Pro, 241 Mansfield Industrial Pkwy., Mansfield; and 2–7 pm, Lucas Community Center, 252 W. Main St., Lucas

Friday, April 19, 8 am to 1 pm, OhioHealth Mansfield Hospital, 335 Glessner Ave., Mansfield; and 10 am to 3 pm, YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd., Mansfield

Wednesday, April 24, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario; and 7 am to 1 pm, K of C Hall, 208 Vernon Rd., Shelby

Thursday, April 25, 11 am to 5 pm, Heartland Church, 2505 Lexington Springmill Rd S., Lexington

Friday, April 26, 8 am to 2 pm, Pioneer Career & Tech Center, 27 Ryan Rd., Shelby

Saturday, April 27, 9 am to 2 pm, Jefferson Twp Hall Bellville, 115 Main St., Bellville

### Heating assistance available

The Ohio Department of Development and Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. remind Ohioans that assistance is available to help with home energy bills. The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps Ohioans at or below 175% of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills.

Ohioans can visit energyhelp.ohio.gov to apply online, download a copy of the application or find contact information for a local Energy Assistance Provider.

Senior citizens may go to their local Area Agency on Aging office for help with assembling the required documents and completing their HEAP application.

Individuals will need to have copies of the following documents: most recent utility bills, list of all household members (birth dates and social security numbers), proof of income for the past 30 days for all household members (12 months for certain income types), proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members and proof of disability (if applicable).

HEAP benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after Jan. 1. Those who need immediate assistance with energy bills should contact their local Energy Assistance Provider. A list of providers can be found at energyhelp.ohio.gov.

The last day to apply for the regular HEAP benefit is May 31, 2024. For more information or assistance with applying contact the Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. at 419-524-4144.

For more information on the programs, visit energyhelp.ohio.gov.



OVER SPRING BREAK, Mansfield Christian School staff and students went to the Fountain of Life school in the Dominican Republic. They completed several projects including landscaping, painting at the clinic and VBS with over 100 kids. The gospel was shared, and hearts were changed.











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# Training held to help keep workers safe from manure pit accidents

Over 150 local first responders and members of the ag community received specialized manure pit safety and rescue training from Crawford, Marion, Morrow and Richland County Farm Bureaus on March 20 and 21.

The training is a result of a partnership between Nationwide and the National Education Center for Agricultural Safety (NECAS) to train first responders, farmers and agricultural professionals to help protect against manure pit accidents and entrapments.

On average, 60 percent of deaths on farms that happen in confined spaces involve the people who tried to rescue someone else — a family member, a co-worker or a rescue worker without the proper equipment.1

"Ît only takes seconds, or a simple mistake, for a loved one in the ag community to find themselves in a dangerous situation when working in a confined space, like a manure pit," said Brad Liggett, president of Agribusiness at Nationwide. "Though manure pit injuries are rare, they have a very high fatality rate when they do take place. We thank NECAS for their partnership to help lead the fight against these hazards, keeping ag workers and their families safe."

The training utilizes a state-of-the-art manure pit safety simulator covers proper rescue procedures for safely entering a manure pit in a low-oxygen situation or with a toxic gas hazard and the importance of air-quality, harnessing, rope rigging, rescue tripods, and using a breathing apparatus during and after rescues.

First Responders from 30 fire departments and the ag community in Crawford, Marion, Morrow and Richland Counties are one of the first to receive the life-saving manure pit safety training session from Nationwide and NECAS, however the two parties have teamed up for more than a decade to protect those in the agriculture industry from the life-threatening hazards of grain bin entrapment.

"We are grateful so many fire departments and farmers participated in this training. Its our goal to provide resources to keep our farmers and rescuers safe in these types of situations," said Abra Dunn, organization director at Ohio Farm Bureau.

Sponsors of the training were Farm Credit Mid-America, Centerra Co-op, Hord Family Farms, Farmer Boy Ag, The First Citizens National Bank, CSI Insurance, Douce Insurance, Gerber Insurance and Hempy Water.

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### Mansfield United Lions Club hosting Strides for Diabetes Walk

Mansfield United Lions Club invites the community to join together for the annual Strides for Diabetes 1-Mile Walk, a free event taking place on Saturday, April 20, at North Lake Park in Mansfield.

This event aims to raise awareness about diabetes and bring our community together in support of those affected by this prevalent health condition.

The event will be held from 11 am to 1 pm.

In addition to the walk, there will be a special cooking demonstration by local diabetes educators. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn practical tips and delicious recipes to help manage diabetes through healthy eating habits. The cooking demonstration will take place throughout the event.

The Strides for Diabetes 1-Mile Walk is open to participants of all ages and fitness levels. Participants can walk to support a loved one, raise awareness or simply enjoy a morning of community spirit.

"We are thrilled to offer the Strides for Diabetes 1-Mile Walk as a free community event, welcoming individuals and families to come together for a morning of fun and fitness," said Jen GIbson, social media coordinator of Mansfield United Lions Club. "By uniting in support of this important cause, we can make a positive impact on the lives of those affected by diabetes in our community."

Please note that there is no rain date for this event, so participants are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather, including comfortable shoes for walking. We will proceed rain or shine, so be prepared to enjoy the event regardless of the forecast.

Registration for the walk is now open, and individuals are encouraged to sign up early to secure their spot. To register please visit our registration form, or to learn more about the event, visit our facebook page or email us at mulcstrides4diabetes@gmail.com

Mansfield United Lions Club is a dedicated group of volunteers committed to serving the community through various charitable initiatives. From supporting vision and hearing programs to organizing community events, it strives to make a positive impact on the lives of those in need. Those interested in joining can attend monthly meetings, held on the second Monday of each month at 6 pm at Burton Park, Mansfield.

### National Prescription Take Back Day planned for Saturday, April 27

On Saturday April 27, the METRICH Enforcement Unit will be partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DA) and local law enforcement to present another Prescription Take Back event for the community.

This event is sponsored by the Mansfield Division of Police, Richland County Sheriff's Office, Shelby Police Department, Lexington Police Department, Plymouth Police Department, Richland County Solid Waste Authority, Richland Public Health, Community Action for Capable Youth (CACY) and the Richland County Mental Health & Recovery Services Board.

Pills will be the only form accepted (no sharps, plastics or liquids.) It will be helpful to put the pills that will be disposed into a plastic bag or Ziplock bag prior to coming to the collection site. This is only for household unused or expired medications. No pharmacies, businesses, pharmaceutical sales reps, etc.

Richland County will have five locations for prescription drug drop off: the Richland County Solid Waste Authority facility, 1125 National Pkwy., Mansfield; Richland County Sheriff's Office, 597 Park Avenue E., Madison area; Shelby Police Department, 31 Mack Ave., Shelby; Plymouth Police Department, 48 W. Broadway St., Plymouth; and the Lexington Police Department, 44 W. Main St., Lexington. Each location will be open from 10 am to 2 pm.

For information call Lt. Steve Blust at 419-755-9677.

METRICH is a ten county decentralized task force in North Central Ohio whose mission is to improve the quality of life for the citizens we serve by reducing the availability of illegal drugs and weapons through proactive enforcement efforts. Citizens may report suspicious activity to the crime hot lines at 419-522-7463 and www.MET-RICH.com

### Non-profit organization seeking host families for exchange students

ASSE International Student Exchange Programs (ASSE), in cooperation with your community high school, is looking for local families to host high school exchange students aged 15 to 18 from diverse countries such as Australia, Denmark, Spain, Italy, Japan and more.

ASSE Exchange Students, are carefully selected based on their academic achievements and personalities. Host families have the opportunity to choose a student from diverse backgrounds, countries, and interests. These students arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance coverage.

Whether you're a young family, retired, a single parent, or empty nesters, hosting a foreign exchange student presents an extraordinary chance to expand your family's cultural horizons without ever leaving the comfort of your home.

To become an ASSE Host Family and to find out how to become involved with ASSE in your community, please contact the ASSE Midwestern Regional Office at 1-800-736-1760 or visit www.host. asse.com to initiate your host family application.

#### Free event focuses on elder safety The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging and Wyandot Coun-

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging and Wyandot County Department of Job and Family Services Adult Protective Services (APS) have collaborated to host a community event aimed at combating elder abuse, scams and exploitation. This effort brings together local experts, community organizations and citizens to address critical issues affecting older adults and will also highlight resources to enhance healthy aging while staying safe.

The event will be held April 22, from 10 am to noon at Trinity Evangelical Church, 108 Malabar Dr., Upper Sandusky.

A resource fair will feature local community organizations committed to supporting older adults. Attendees can connect with representatives from Wyandot County Department of Job and Family Services, other organizations from Wyandot County and the Area Agency on Aging. Educational materials and resources will be available.

A light brunch will be provided, encouraging networking and community-building. Giveaways will also be provided. This event is free, and RSVPs are not required.

### Survey helps with long-term planning

The Richland County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is developing its 2025–'50 Long Range Transportation Plan for the region to improve and maintain the multimodal transportation and roadway system over the next 25 years starting from 2025.

As part of the planning process, RCRPC MPO has launched an online survey to seek the public's input on transportation safety needs and priorities for investing the MPO's resources to meet future transportation needs across the Richland County Transportation Planning

Residents can participate in the survey about multimodal transportation projects and priority needs in the Richland County region. The survey will take about five minutes and will assist the organization in prioritizing transportation improvement strategies and identifying locations where roadway improvements are needed.

The survey can be taken now through Monday, July 1 at https:// veravoice-rcrpc-363784d271f7.herokuapp.com.

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**ON SATURDAY MARCH 30**, the Ontario Lions Club held its annual visually impaired Easter egg hunt at Marshall Park. The eggs make sounds for the children to find.

This Week's Pet Looking for A Forever Home



### Tom Jones

Tom Jones came into the shelter in April 9, 2023. He was wearing a heavy harness and volunteers assumed his owner would come get him. One year later, he is still at the shelter.

Tom Jones is around two years old and is super friendly. He doesn't jump up and already knows how to sit. He does grab treats, so volunteers are very careful when giving him treats.

Tom Jones was very thin. The shelter made sure to get some weight on him, and he is finally starting to look healthy. Tom Jones is absolutely terrible in his kennel — he jumps and barks.

Once you get him on a leash, he is basically perfection. He barely pulls, loves slowly sniffing and exploring and is sweet and friendly to everyone.

He also loves to play with toys. He is absolutely amazing.

Those interested in meeting any dog can contact or visit the Richland County Dog Warden's Office and Shelter, 810 N. Home Rd., Mansfield. 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 vard.

The shelter is always in need of bleach, laundry detergent and dog treats.

# HNCO/Hospice of Knox County receives Quality of Life Award

HNCO/Hospice of Knox County has announced its receipt of the esteemed Quality of Life Award. The award, presented annually by the Knox County Chamber ot Commerce, recognizes a non-profit Chamber member business whose work has enriched the lives of Knox County residents.

The award was sponsored by Knox Community Hospital (KCH) and presented by Bruce White, CEO of Knox Community Hospital.

HNCO/Hospice of Knox County offers a comprehensive range of services, including hospice care, palliative care and bereavement support to meet the needs of each individual and family.

In presenting the award KCH CEO, Bruce D. White stated, "Hospice ot Knox County has served thousands of families with compassionate end-ot-life care and services since 1983. They serve more than 200 patients, hospice & palliative, daily in Knox and surrounding counties and provide free continuous bereavement services to anyone in the community experiencing grief.

Kathy Wantland, HNCÓ Bereavement Coordinator said, "We cannot force somebody to hear a message they are not ready to receive, but we must never underestimate the power of planting a seed," is a quote by Tamara Kulish. This speaks to the lives we touch every day during difficult times in their lives. We don't always see what is taking place in their lives, but we get to hear their stories and walk with them on their journey. We are honored and privileged to serve people within our community and are so blessed to receive This special recognition."

For more information about HNCO/Hospice of Knox County and its services, visit www.myhnco.org or call 800-952-2207.

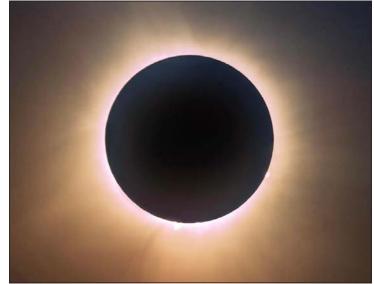


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**THE 2024 TOTAL ECLIPSE** created a lot of buzz locally as the area was in the path of totality. The eclipse began at 1:59 pm with totality beginning at 3:12 pm and lasting just over three minutes.

### Kindergarten registration underway

Kindergarten registration for Madison Local Schools will be held April 2–30. Children are eligible to attend kindergarten during the 2024–'25 school year if they are five years of age on or two before Aug. 1, 2024.

The first step in the registration process is to complete the online registration through FinalForms. The registration link can be found at www.mlsd.net under Madison FinalForms or using the link under "Kindergarten Registration." Those without internet access can schedule an appointment to complete the online forms with the child's assigned building. Select the 2024–'25 school year in FinalForms when registering a child. Registration will not open until April 1 to complete a child's FinalForms.

Current Madison South preschool students moving into kindergarten will need to log into their existing Final Forms account and complete the 2024–'25 forms.

Once all online forms are completed, parents must drop-off the required documents to the elementary school in which they reside between 9 am and 3 pm Monday–Friday. The district is closed April 8.

School phone numbers are Madison South 419-522-4319; Mifflin 419-589-6517; and Eastview 419-589-7335.

Required documents include student birth certificate, parent/ guardian driver's license, custody papers (if applicable), must be date stamped and signed by the court, parent/guardian proof of residency (see final forms for approved list) and immunization records.

Required immunizations for school attendance are four doses of DPT (5 doses if 4 were given before fourth birthday), three or more doses of Polio with final dose after fourth birthday, three doses of Hepatitis B, two MMR's and two Varivax (chicken pox) or history of having disease.

### Kiwanis host annual golf outing

The Lexington Kiwanis will host the fourth annual golf outing at Twin Lakes on Friday, June 7. Registration is at 12:30 pm and shotgun start is at 1:15 pm. This is a four-person scramble format. New this year is a \$10,000 Hole-in-One Challenge.

Dinner will be served at 5 pm. Those unable to golf can come at 5 pm. Cost is \$300 per team of four includes green fees, cart rental, soft drink, chips and hot dog at the turn, dinner and prizes.

Alcoholic beverages are not included in the cost, but will be available at discounted prices. All teams and money must be in before May 29. Proceeds help support Kiwanis youth services. Register at https://form.jotform.com/231093806474054. For more information email lexkiwanispresident@gmail.com.

## Honor and Merít Rolls

#### **Clear Fork High School**

#### 3rd Nine Weeks

#### ALL A'S

Seniors: Kylie Belcher, Zain Brown, Timothy Conkling, Alton Jeffries, Collin Johnson, Abigail Kitzmiller, Mikka Knapik, Marissa Lawhun, Madison McKenna, Kadynce Muntain, Macy Ousley, Sophia Perry, Caleb Peters, Evan Picchioni, Madison Ruhl, Abigail Sauder, Jonah Sharp, Aria Stage, Andrea Swainhart, Grace Weikle, Alexandrea Welshans, Linzy Weyhmeller and Kendall Windsor

Juniors: Christopher Fenton, Garett Hotz, Grant Keep, Kylie Lorentz, Emily Montgomery, Rebecca Pryor, Kaybria Sims and Lola Stillion

**Sophomores:** Ethan Beck, Alyson Brokaw, Alyssa Burger, Ava Carr and Nicholas Coker, Leonard Copeland, Tristan Cromer, Kaiden Dettmer, Caroline Dill, Abigail Geary, Brenley Higgins, Madelyn Hite, Jas-mine Johnson, Gwenyth Jones, Rowyn Lang, Clayton Lewis, Jozie Lloyd, Austin McFerren, Kenadee Muntain, Lucy Myer, Callie New, Selena Ross, Myles Sharp, Matthew Shutt, Faith Smith, Mary Stup-ka, Mason Walls, Sophia Wharton, Mia Wilson, Sophia Wilson and Ashtyn Wine

Freshmen: Adelaine Bash, Arianna Bostic, Jadalyn Brokaw, Grace Burgholder, Mackenzie Daniels, Mariah Hatfield, Alaina Hawkins, Davis Hoeflich, Marcus Hoeflich, Caleb Mack, Brody McGregor, Samu-el Robinson, Hudson Schag, Kabuto Setser, Hailly Thrush, Arianna Vanhoose and Austin VanHouten

#### HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Renee Anders, Heather Atherton, Cory Balduff, Caden Freitag, Nate Lind, Austin McCune, Allison Montgomery, Sydney Mortimer, Connor New, Taylor Ramey-Wolf, Hayden Roberts and Isabella Swiatek

Juniors: Ava Beard, April Berry, Melodie Blubaugh, Jayden Bowman-Rasmus, Lexie Colegrove, Carter King, Melisa Maldonado-Elias, Fisher McLaughlin, Chloe Mowry, Isabella Oswalt, Alexander Ousley, Reina Rehberg, Christian Walker and Claire Wallis

Sophomores: Kailyn Bowman, Jacob Brokaw, Benjamin Campbell, Taylor Carpenter, Mattie Colegrove, Tyler Evans, Lucas Goodman, Liam Hamilton, Kartor Kline, Erny Nutter, Bryar Ousley, Hunter Rahall, Bailee Riddle, Shelbi Sullivan, Paisley Thrush, Liliana Trunzo, Audrey Vanausdle, Gavin Walker, Ava Wharton and Nathaniel Wine **Freshmen:** Jonathan Annis, Aubree Barnes, Asia Bechtel, Mary(-Max) Betts, Coy Bieri, Cooper Brokaw, Addison Brown, Layla Daugherty, Aiden Demoss, Gavin Domka, Benjamin Dudley, Christian Edwards, Allie Emerson, Jonathan Evans, Noah Goodman, Charles Granholm, James Lifer, Joseph Lykins, Landen McKee, Katrina Neal, Zachary Nelson, Alexis Radcliffe, Ava Roberts, Bryn Sansom, Alex-ander Schlosser, Ella Schmidt, Peyton Sickles, Deacon Sims, Chloee Steward, Wade Traxler, Mckenzie Wandall and Addison Weikle

#### **MERIT ROLL**

Seniors: Walker Kirkpatrick

Juniors: Chandler Ball, Sarah Brook, Emily Conrad, Bobbie Jo Fliger, Trevor Kinnamon, Dezarai Knapp, Brooklynn Lutzmann, Kylie McGinty, Mackenzie Palmer, Arianna Reid, Peyton Salisbury, Dawson Staley, William Stewart and Lillian Weikle

Sophomores: Jhayda Ammons, Brinley Barnett, Kaiden Bloomfield, Kayden Bostic, Sabree Caudill, Reece Cook, Xander Cyphers, Hansen Dornbirer, Lilah Henry, Iona Hickerson, Ethan Hull, Addison Johnson, Jayden Kaylor, Nicholas Martin, Savannah Mazzola, Cater Means, Carson Penney, Porter Schmidt, Kylie Sidle, Hadley Slaugh-ter and Michael Tokar

#### Freshmen:

Morgan Armstrong, Landon Berry, Taylor Bly, Jaelyn Bookhamer, Wesley Bunnell, Carter Coole, Sergio Cruz 4th, Wade Davis, Erika Hollar, Colin Hull, Christian Kinnamon, Hannah Kinnard, Brynley Kirkpatrick, Ethan Line, Isabella McKenna, Marin Ocheltree, Mya Perry, Marley Pinkerton, Jonah Robison, Isaac Ross, Trey Sellers, Miley Shafer, Nicholas Skaggs, Owen Weikle and Owen Weiser

#### Madison Local Schools

#### **3rd Nine Weeks**

ALL A'S

Seniors: Donovan Adkins, Alivia Ash, Joshua Atwell, Bayleigh Auflick, Layla Azmoun, Natalee Back, Hannah Ball, Olivia Barley, Tyler Batcheller, Madison Berry, Karsyn Blust, Colin Carroll, Jillian Conard, James Copley, Brookelyn Coulter, Callie Cyrus, Jace Dravenstott, Bekah Duffner, Jacob Ford, Jaslynn Francis, Justin Gibson, Ethan Glasgo, Danielle Golab, Alisha Hill, Brevin Johnson, Maggie Jones, Ameleah Kegley, William Kepple, Kendyll Kershner, Kendall Kihn, Nicholas Kindler, Alivia Lee, Peyton Mandusic, Ashley Markley, Lydia Markley, Kylie Martin, Aiden Mooneyham, Kara Nicol, Emily Nolan, Katelynn Ransom, Kyleigh Reiter, Megan Reynolds, Ryan Rock, Shelbey Rush, Grayson Sasis, Michael Shenberger, Jordan Smith, Sara Smith, Christopher Steffey, Isabelle Thoman, Karlie Wilson, Miles Wiseman and Megan Workman.

Juniors: Aleigha Bebout, Emily Bogner, Emily Brandt, Gracie Dot-son, Dryden Durbridge, Ryleigh Foley, Elijah Fox, Wyann Geiger, Nikkyan Grimes-Pittenger, Ashley Herder, Mason Jacobus, Olivia Kiley, Gage Masters, Gavyne McDaniel, Emily Musgrove, Samantha Myers, Isaiah Ortiz-Martinez, Damon Parnell, Sydney Phillips, Drake Ramey, Nevaeh Rhein, Meghan Roberts, Alexa Rose, Faith Sevits, Grace Thompson, Karis Vega and Angela Williams

Sophomores: Elizabeth Bekeleski, Madison Berry, Nathan Bitt-man, Myla Blankenship, Natalie Brandt, Aubrey Conn, Morgan Cook, Courtney Cyrus, Lillian DeLong, Timothy Ellis, Camryn Gowitzka, Ashley Gusta, Hayden Hatfield, Aubrey Hendrickson, Kaylin Johnson, Ashley Gusta, Hayder Hatled, Aubley Heidrickson, Kayim Johnson, Amya Joplin, Drew Kepple, Campbell Kiser, Tauren Lindsey, Zacha-riah Loretta, Christopher Lucas, Kavantray Marsh, Zoe McQuillen, Jada Neal, Olivia Penrod, Raygen Reiter, Emma Reynolds, Jennah Richards, Nathan Riggle, Zoe Robinson, Aryana Rogers, Lily Sanderfer, Elizabeth Schwartz, Briana Smith, Katie Smith, Bryce Speelman, Grace Speelman, Esther Stanfield, Morgan Steward, Kaylee Stone, Liam Stone, Lucas Swanger, Kayzia Thornley, Ariyah Tufts, Courtney

Viock, Audrey Ward and Jerry Wertz **Freshmen:** Alivia Adams, Kinley Clow, Samantha Crist, Trenton Ford, Chase Hunsinger, Kaiden Koch, Evan Larsen, Sophie Lowe, Joshua Maglott, Malachi Marsh, William McClain, Taylor McKown, Jordan McWilliams, Avery Obrien, Ellie Powell, Gage Ramey, Emily Saunders, Autumn Schroeder, Brayden Seymour, Jaxson Shaffer, Allie Shrader, Shiann Skeen, Isabella Smith, Keeli Stewart, Dorian Utt, Gabriela Vega-Wieland, Lyla Walker, Isabel Wamsley and Baylee Yost Eighth Grade: Lillie Baker, Kaley Bowman, Carter Foley, Ariel Foote, Cadence Gushard, Journee Jaranowski, Devin Peterson, Allie Shambaugh, Landon Stone and Jocelynn Teeters

Seventh Grade: Jenna Bebout, Lainey Binns, Madelynn Carpenter, Alexander (A.J.) Dillon, Hannah Evans, Andrew (Aj) Lowe, Aryiah Miller, Mason Morrow, Jalyonna Nelson, Miah Reid and Morgan Turney Sixth Grade: Liam Barr, Jaxson Bennett, Reagan Brooks, Gannon Conway, Abbigale Crist, Baylee Cushard, Grady Davis, Alyse Emery, Daevon Endicott, Peyton Foote, Samara Gillespie, Savannah Hamilton, Dillon Herder, Lainee Heston, Troy Horn, Jordan Jeffers, Necoya Kelly, Emma Lewis, Declan Maddy, Carson Mcquillen, Macy Moore, Kathryn Myers, Ava Owens, Preston Patrick, Gabriel Salyers, Natalie Smith, Vincent Studer and Jersie Yunker

Fifth Grade: Tanner Bays, Jeffrey Brooks, Lily Eckenwiler, Asherah Marie Hapin, Klayton Hayes, Hailey Brooks, Lily Eckenwiler, Asheran Marie Hapin, Klayton Hayes, Hailey Hedrick, Roman Hipfl, Kenna-di Knipp, Parker Larsen, Gavin Moore, Leila Myers, William Owens, Zavier Roberts, Damari Roper, Hagen Sauder, Eleanor Sidwell, Mad-elynn Thompson, Beckham White, Mackenzie Wiggins, Mckenzie Wingler, Spencer Wynn and Caylee Yeager

Fourth Grade: Ella Barr, Lincoln Bays, Belle Beatty, Benton Brandt, Cade Deems, Madeline Dunlap, Ri'khi Evege, Lauren Foster, Rylee Johnson, Ingrid Keffer, Liam Kiser, James Lang, Zeke Markley, Ol-ivia Mason, Peyton Meek, Miranda Miller, Sebastian Nelson, Kellen O'Brien, Carter Shenberger, Hailey Snelling, Emily Spillman, Aubrey Spurlock, Eliana Wilson and Chazlyn Zehner

**Third Grade:** Chloe Bridges, Lyllian (Lylli) Chambers, Kylee Cushard, Natalie Debo, Ember Fry, Gracie Henderson, Abel Hens-ley, Marlee Hewett, Sawyer Howell, Evelyn Isenhart, Teagan Kirsch, Chance Krownapple, Phoenix Lewis, Deanna Martie, Alaina Palmer, James Ross, Brynn Sauder, Gabriel Utt, Ellie VanWagner and Jacario Williams

#### **A & B HONOR ROLL**

Seniors: Abdul-Raheem Ali, Lybertee Askey, Isaiah Atwell, Leigha-ja Brown, Paidge Butler, Shaun Cains, Lillien Christian, Hannah Clark, Kalani Clark, Jacob Dillon, Zachary Dodd, Chloe Ebeling, Brodin Flury, Matthew Geary, Emalie Green, Anna Gretzinger, Michele Gretzinger, Arionne Hammock, Alexander Haring, McKayla Harvey, Carlie Holmes, Caitlyn Hubbard, William Jamieson, Morgan Ladd, Destiny Lane, Navaeh Lewis, Andrew Liviskie, Hanna Mason, Trinity Mauer, Grady McElvain, Evan McMillen, Paige Mitchell, Hailey Moore,

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Juniors: Ava Armstrong, Brandon Baich, Addison Baker, Nathan Baldinger, Nikolas Balg, Shyann Barnhart, Ethan Bibler, Matthew Biller, Aubrey Boliantz, Robert Brown, Kirstin Clark, Paige Darling, Kayana Garrett, Landon Goad, Carter Heimbuch, Alexander Hernandez, Logan Hoffman, Katie Holzworth, Ava Huff, Kiarra Johnson, Cameron Kuhn, Teddy Lane, Logan Mapes, Hannah Markley, Veronica Mawer, Calvin Nelson, Brady O'Brien, Ian Parker, Sophia Parsons, Paige Patton, Dakota Perseitz, Madison Sackman, Ellieanna Shindeldecker, Faith Smith, Trenton Speelman, Rhea Stanfield, Emma Stankovick, Layni Stollings, Brianna Studer, James Sutton, Owen Wigton, Braylon Williams and Lela Zehner

**Sophomores:** Lilliana Allen, Payton Bartolomea, Megan Bays, Cruz Boggs, Julianna Boliantz, Isabella Brown, Keaton Brown, Christopher Chinn, Elizabeth Chumbley, Aubrie Clark, Jordan Clark, Micah Clark, Preston Coffman, Laykin Curry, Evan Cyrus, Callel Davison-Valdry, Nathan Evans, Brianna Fidler, Kelsie Harry, Maci Hergatt, Alyson Hoak, Sabrina Hoffman, Aaron Hughes, Randy Jamieson, Brennan Johnson, Kalayah Johnson, Izabela King, Analea Laferty, Isabella Liviskie, Jacob Lord, Nicholas Maglott, Jamelyn Mays, Deont'e Mc-Daniel, Chloe McWhorter, Kaleb Minch, Brayden Montgomery, Owen Morrow, Camdyn Neal, Jalycia Nelson, Corey Otey, Andrew Parish, Cameron Porter, Lillian Rogers, Johnny Smith, MaRhea Smith, Grady Spurlock, Taylor Steffey, Kinlei Stoltenberg, Anthony Studer, Kya Swigart, Alexander Thompson, Bryce Tudor, Lillian Waxter, Rudy Webel and Gracie Young

**Freshmen:** Gavin Baker, Zoie Ball, Caden Bishop, Anna Blanton, Kylie Carroll, Jaselle Clark, David Clayburn, Destini Conrad, Isabella Conway, Lucas Davidson, Claire Durbridge, Treyvin Glasser, Brady Gretzinger, Jace Habinek, Autumn Haynes, Travis Hicks, Kennedy Hofer, Santanna Hoffman, Cambree Howe, Ashtyn Huffman, Chloe Jeffers, Mac'kel Johnson-Kawczynski, Landyn Kenner, Lola Kerrick, Koree Kershner, Mason Kouns, Layla Krizan, Caiden Lawhorn, Christopher Manley, Darius Marsh, Kiya McConaughey, Addison Miller, JulieAnna Miller, Aniyah Monica, Natalie Mosier, Camden Moysi, Ashley Nikolaus, Amiah Noe, Kortney Petrik, Branson Porter, Corbin Rogers, Isabel Rush, Kassidy Sanders, Zackary Sanders-Winters, Lena Sasis, Peyton Schulte, Zoei Sealey, Colton Shaw, Lincoln Shepherd, Cameron Smith, Emily Smith, Victoria Smith, Kristopher Sutton, Ariyah Tucker, Kyleigh Washington, Daniel Weightman, Kylee Werner, Evan Williams and Knight Wolfe

**Eighth Grade:** Zaylynn Ball, Isaiah Blust, Aniyah Bond, Cohen Brandt, Jarrod Cyrus, Madelynn Frontz, Kaleia Gonder, Kayden Graf, Amerah Hapin, Owen Hendershott, Brielle Horn, Alexander Jenkins, Camylle King, Gracee Lee, Alexander Maddy, Aeriyanna Massey, Angel Montanez, Aubrieanne Morton, Victoria Neal, Nevaeh Patton, Rachel Porter, Gracie Schaade, Jaiden Shaffer, Bryson Smith, Gavin Spiess, Kylor Steagall, Max Thomas, Kenley Turner, Elle Washington, Maci Whitesel, Phillip Wiggins and Makenzie Wynn

Seventh Grade: Abigail Anschutz, Aleah Bara, Elijah Benton, Makena Berkshire, Chester (Joseph) Conley, Carson Cook, Mckenna Crank, Lucas Eckenwiler, Aubree Fisher, Jack Foster, Bella Guardiola, Kordell Hardy, Mckenna Haynes, Kylee Herrick, Arenal Hunsinger, Bryce Jacobs, Brandon Maglott, Abigail (Abby) Mcwilliams, Gabriella Mickouma, Lillian Miller, Payson Moore, Hayley Morris, Tavian Porter, Addyson Powell, Gabriel Prater, Kaysten Sly, Mackynzie Smith, Maddison Smith, Garett Spiess and Sofia Thompson

**Sixth Grade:** Zane Baker, Beau Blanton, Brody Brandt, Katrina Carson, Kayliese Clark, Shyanna Daugherty, Rylie Davidson, Rianne Davis, David Elliott, Traevon Endicott, Makenzie Foncannon, Mia Grosswiler, Gracie Ipock, Troy Kegley, Izabella Kenner, Kaeleb Llamas, Aniyah Lloyd, Faith Metcalf, Melissa Miller, Rhyland Morris, Ian Mosier, Layla Perry, Marielle Peters, Casey Rachel, Iilayna Rhodebeck, Addisyn Shopbell, Kendal Shrader, Trey Smith, Aryan Spencer, Shawn Sydnor, Alysia Szasz-Benedek, Liahna Tufts, Aiden Washington and Ethan Wingo

Fifth Grade: Annalise Barber, Faith Barney, Jacob Bond, Kamden Borders, Daniel Carpenter, Delaney Conway, Liam Cushard, Richard

(Ricky) Davis, Ezra Dewitt, Jaxton Doyon, Madilyn Fidler, Dashawn Fields, Austin Finley, Johnie Gorham, Frehley Gushard, Cale Henry, Derek Jackson, Makeylan Jarvis, Daniel Jiang, Juliam Johnson, Adelynn Klecka, Branson Littleton, Abigail Marks, Connor Mathie, Milo Mccann, Austin Mcclellan, Jesslynn McMasters, Wyatt Miller, Grant Mountz, Dane Moysi, Christian Pennington, Gabriel Pfund, Mileena Porter-Race, Addelita Pryor, Dylan Pucci, Mason Putney, Brystol Salser, Elena Santiago, Harper Sasis, Namaj Seals, Joselynn Shaffer, Clayton Shepherd, Lorelai Sly, Sadie Smith, Lillian Suttle, Anthony Weightman and Myla-Jayne Wilds

**Fourth Grade:** Jade Anderson, Zella Ball, Corinne Beal, Benjamin Benton, Madalyn Best, Braxton Brandt, Aria Brewster, Amir Byrd, Skylar Carlson, Chase Carpenter, Wyatt Clark, Carter Clow, Carter Fields, Layla Fix, Peyton Hager, Isaiah Hollar, Naomi Houston, Bryant Hughes, Landon Hunt, Kendle Keirns, Kaliyah Keith, Isabella Loera, Kerrigan Lukowski, Ce'ona Manning, Lucas Mascazine, Baylee Mitchell, CJ Mount, Jaxson Pennywitt, Lex Rassavong, Joseph Reddy, Isaiah Reeves, Joel Robertson, Isaiah Smith, Carter Smollen, Olivia St. Clair, Peyton Toon, Ezra Triplett, Jaxon Turner, Kolman Washington, Kristopher Washington, Hoyt Watson, Tyson Wendling, Kalani White, David Wood and Emilee Zartman

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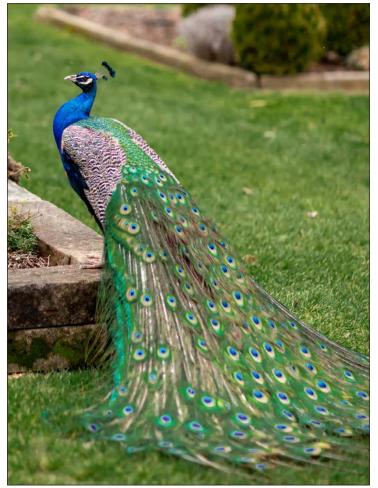


Photo By Traci Little **KINGWOOD CENTER GARDENS** is alive with spring blooms. A resident peacock was captured enjoying the spring weather.

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# Lucas alumni charity basketball tournament raises funds for Lucas Little League program

Photos and Artticle By Kris Leiter

As the old adage goes, you learn something new everyday. That was the case this past weekend in the quaint village of Lucas. I knew that Lucas has had a yearly charity alumni basketball tournament for the past 40 years.

Back in my early 20s, approximately 40 years ago and a few pounds ago, when I could traverse the hardwood court, I would volunteer to officiate a few games.

Back then, they had 20–30 teams that played in this event, representing teams that had played in the 1950s and 1960s including my dad, aka, "Lefty" Leiter. He was a Lucas phenom who was known for his hook shot. It was good to give back, but my oh my, how time flies!

One thing I was not aware of was where the money from the tournament goes. Ty Boquette, one the tournament's four co-chairs has been part of this event for this past five years.

He explained, "We raise approximately \$3,000 dollars for the Lucas Youth Summer Baseball program."

Boquette spoke about his three co-chairs, "Brian Sauder, his brother Ethan and Carson Hauger are all monumental in putting this together. I handle the concessions and admissions table.

It's good to see these guys and other volunteers giving back. Boquette and I had a chuckle about that state up north, with him being a native of Michigan.

He recently located to the area a few years ago and has become a fixture with the Lucas Little League.

"I'm so grateful to my co-chairs, Brian, Ethan, Carson and many others for helping fund the Lucas Little League from this tournament.'

'The Lions Club was also gracious in selling raffle tickets during the event as well.

And you know any event would not be successful without good food. Bougette says, "We had egg casserole this morning and we also sell concession food, including pulled pork, all weekend.'

"The format is double-elimination. It takes place over three days, starting Friday evening and concludes with the championship games on Sunday afternoon.

"We have 12 teams this year, which is what we had last year. Each team has 5 to 9 players."

'As the teams complete their games, the results are posted on the updated bracket board. We have teams that played back in the 1990s and all years in between. It's a nice mix."



LUCAS CLASS OF 2020 was the champion of the three-day alumni tournament.

I also had a chance to chat with co-chair Brian Sauder. If you reflect back a few years ago, Sauder, his brother, Ethan, and Carson Hauger were all 2020 Lucas Basketball teammates and slated for the regionals in Canton.

Unfortunately, they were never able to play, due to Covid shutting the schools down that year. Sauder, who was a team member in 2018, played alongside his Brother Ethan.

'I was a senior and Ethan was a freshman. I was selected to play in the North-South All star game, which was a cool thing," said Sauder.

Sauder also played in this years' event, representing the 2018 squad, along with teammates Riley Gossum and Ethan Wallace.

"I wasn't able to run as well as I like, since I'm nursing an injury from a few years back. It was nice to get out there."

I asked Sauder if he was ever able to slam dunk in his career. "Not really, but I could touch the rim." For the tournament, Brian, Ethan and Carson have a huge hand

in the organization of the tournament. This includes obtaining ref-

erees, players and rounding up many hands fto help.

"As for this event, we do everything. The admission and concessions proceeds go to the Lucas Little League. We also do a three-point contest during the weekend. It's only \$10 and it's something fun to do.'

"We normally try to find a family from Lucas to raise some money for as well. Last year, it was Coach Joe Marsano, who had just lost his wife."

Marsano is a teacher in the Lucas School system, coaching the junior high football team as well as being a varsity assistant.

The Lucas football program has been going deep into the playoff for over a decade.

"This year we also helped Lyle Dodd, a well known fixture among the Lucas locals.'

"It's a really good time," said Sauder. "Like I tell people - it's like a reunion. Instead of waiting five years to have a class reunion, it gives you a chance to see your classmates every year, plus guys from other years.'

"You're seeing all the guys you went to high school with and hanging out, it's fun."

"This is my second year running the event. The previous people who ran it were doing an awesome job and doing everything.'

"Last year, we added more people to help, such as Ethan, Ty and Carson and many others. It's much easier with more (Continued on Page 18)



**Tv Boquette** 



**Brian Sauder** 

# MCS alumnus Jesse Rider returns as girls soccer coach By Kris Leiter 2013, 2016 and 2017. He was also the assistant coach at Mansfield

If the name Jesse Rider, a 2002 graduate of Mansfield Christian, doesn't sound familiar now, it will in the near future.

Rider will reunite with the coaching staff at Mansfield Christian High School this fall as the new girls soccer head coach.

He is also one the staff pastors at Crossroads Church at the Mansfield campus. This isn't Rider's first rodeo, as his coaching résumé speaks for itself.

Rider previously coached the Mansfield Christian boys team in



ZACH STALLARD is pictured with his wife, Jessica. Zach graduated in 2007. Jessica was there to cheer him on at the alumni tournament.

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*(Continued from Page 17)* people. After each night of games, the custodians come in, and pick up the trash."

"It was fun watching some of the guys still hitting 3-pointers."

I had a chance to chat it up with some of the players as they had just finished their game. Zack Stallard, a 2007 graduate, was able to voice a few words, "Im always grateful for any willing participants."

Stallard seemed pleased on how his team did. "We did better than expected, considering we were representing the Class of 2007, the third oldest class in the event.'

'I graduated in 2007 under Coach Andrew Carver. We've been playing in this event for years, even when I was three years old, we would come and watch. Stallard's dad, Tim Stallard, who is the Lucas Village Administrator, had played for many years and graduated in 1979.

"I remember coming and watching my Dad play along with my older cousins.'

Christian from 2004-'08 and 2014-'15.

He also coached the boys team in 2013 to state runner-ups and was an assistant on the 2014 state championship team.

Rider has even coached players locally who have gone onto college.

"We've had a couple of players become all Americans, specifically through Messiah University, located in New York, as well as other universities throughout the country," said Rider.

He is no stranger to the game of soccer as a player either. He shared some good memories of his experience playing for the Flames.

"As a player, we had a good tournament run in 2000. Our team ad-vanced to the state semifinals. We also made it to regionals in 2001."

As Rider will be manning the helm this upcoming campaign, that will bring a new set of players with various skill sets.

Having state tournament experience as a player may be advantageous as a head coach. I asked him about turning these students into state-bound high school players.

"That depends on the commitment and attitude of each player during the season as well as during the off-season," said Rider.

As any curious reporter wants to know, how does a coach prepare

for his upcoming opponents on a weekly basis. "We prepare specifically for each opponent," he said. "Our goal is to always have the ball as much as possible. We also want to eliminate turnovers.'

And as for Rider's weekly game plan: "We try to focus on different styles and tendencies of key players of the opposing team. We have many coaches in the area that we can utilize for game information coming up. We will also send our scouts out during the week to scout out the opponent for an upcoming match."



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#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids for the 2024 Resurfacing Program, Village of Lexington, Ohio will be received by the Village of Lexington, Ohio at the office of the Administrative Director at 44 West Main Street, Lexington, Ohio 44904 until 10:00am, local time Thursday April 18, 2024, and then, at said office, publicly opened and read aloud.

Contractors will be required to purchase and download an electronic set of plans and bid documents via the KEM Web Site by visiting https:// kemccartney.com/project-bids/. If you would prefer a hard copy be mailed, we will do so upon receipt of payment in the amount of \$50.00 per set, along with your UPS or FedEx account number so that shipping charges can be applied to your account. Checks shall be made payable to K.E. McCartney & Associates and all documents become the property of the prospective bidder, with no portion of the payment being refunded. Should you have any questions during the bidding process please contact jburgholder@kemccartney.com.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities. Contract will be awarded based on the lowest and best bid. The Village of Lexington may reject any or all bids on any basis and without disclosure of reason. The failure to make such disclosure shall not result in accrual of any right, claim or cause of action by any unsuccessful bidder against the Village of Lexington.

Each bid must be accompanied by either an Ohio Revised Code Section 153.571 Bid and Performance Payment Bond in an amount equal to 100% of the bid; or, a cashier's check, bid bond, letter of credit to be duly executed by the bidder as principal and having as surety thereon, a surety company approved by the Owner in the amount of 10% of the bid.

Each bid must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The Owner intends and requires that this project be completed by August 17, 2024.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Richland County and Village of Lexington, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, 614-644-2239.

> Mr. Peter Them Administrative Director Village of Lexington, OH (T-C 4-4, 11 '24) 65L

#### LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on March 20, 2024.

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. ORDINANCE NO. 23-27 – AN OR-DINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE THE SERVICE-SAFETY DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BE-TWEEN JOHNNY APPLESEED BASEBALL CLUB AND THE CITY OF ONTARIO FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF AND USE OF A BASEBALL/SOFT-BALL FIELD AT MARSHALL PARK, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

> Cathy VanAuker Clerk of Council City of Ontario, Ohio (T-C 4-11,18 '24) 25L

#### LEGAL NOTICE

In the Matter of the Adoption of Emeril Rae Crawford Case Number: 20245013 Richland County Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division.

Emonde Robert Adkins whose last known address is unknown Is hereby notified that on the 18th day of March, 2024 a petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Richland County, Ohio, 50 Park Ave. East, Mansfield, OH 44902, being Case No: 20245013, for the adoption of Emeril Rae Adkins and alleging that your consent as parent of said child is not necessary because you have failed without justifiable cause to provide more than de minimis contact with minor or to provide for maintenance and support of said minor as required by law or judicial decree for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner. A consent hearing will be held on the 15th, day of May, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. and the best interest hearing will be had on the 11th, day of June, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. before the Judge of said Court at 50 Park Avenue East, Mansfield, Ohio 44902.

IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE AN OB-JECTION TO THE PETITION WITH-IN FOURTEEN DAYS AFTER THE PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING IS GIVEN TO YOU. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOP-TION, YOU MUST ALSO APPEAR AT THE HEARING AS SET OUT ABOVE.

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

Kelly L. Badnell Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Richland County, Ohio (T-C 4-11,18, 25 '24) 25L

#### LEGAL NOTICE

In the Matter of the Adoption of Ka'Zharriah A' Damonya'e Crawford Case Number: 20245014 Richland County Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division.

Danielle Brittany Gideon whose last known address is unknown, is hereby notified that on the 18th day of March, 2024, a petition was filed in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Richland County, Ohio, 50 Park Ave.

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### Kaleidoscope speaker coming to Renaissance

The Kaleidoscope Series event featuring award-winning author Matthew Desmond is set to take place on Tuesday, May 7, at 5:30 pm, hosted at the Renaissance Main Stage.

Matthew Desmond is renowned for his groundbreaking work, including the Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City*, a deep dive into the eviction landscape in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

As a distinguished sociologist at Princeton University, Desmond's research has provided insights into the realities of poverty and housing inequality in America.

"I think there is so much poverty in America not in spite of our wealth, but because of it," Desmond said.

Beyond academia, he is a guide for those striving to make positive change in their communities. His upcoming keynote at the Ren will touch on urban sociology, poverty, race and ethnicity, organizations and work, social theory, and ethnography, hands-on learning of one's culture.

Desmond's work sheds light on the stark realities faced by many families across the country.

All money raised through ticket sales will provide support for future Kaleidoscope events. For ticket reservations, visit https://rentickets.org/event/kaleidoscope-series-presents-matthew-desmond/

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### LOOKING BACK . THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



Marc Stumbo

ALL A's — Students who have received all A's on their report cards for the fourth six-weeks at Ontario Middle School have been named. They are (front) Susan Strickler, Kyle Bachtel, Jeremy Hancock, Jason Kline, Mike Gilliam, Descartes Aban, Jody Alexander, Sarah Dahlberg, Jessica Stewart, (back) Gus Dahlberg, Amber Ault, Jane Patterson, Brigette Burnell, Nicole Stiteler, Dawn Morris, Michelle Gilliam, Mindy Berggren, Sarah Piatt, Mandy Bennett and Tina Cochran. Not pictured are Christy Walsh and Rich Bakir.



ONTARIO TEAM WINS TOURNEY – Wyatt Clemens posted a 4-0 shutout in goal to help Brian Gates Insurance defeated Omnisource Corp. in the Northern Ohio Junior Inline Hockey League Tournament championship game. Leading the way for Gates were Kirby Clemens with two goals and an assist, Joey Phillips with two goals, Ryan Earhart with two assists and Ben Wright with an assist. The team finished the season with a 12-3 record. Members of the team are, front, Ben Wright, Mitchell Papst, Wyatt Clemens and Zachary Pyle; back, Sam Jeremy, Mike Markle, Joey Phillips, Kirby Clemens, coach Greg Clemens, Ryan Earhart and Tyler Gates.

This Day in History — On April 11, 1921, KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcasts the first live sport-ing event on the radio, a boxing match between Johnny Ray and Johnny Dundee. The lightweight bout pitted Dundee, who was inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 1991, against Ray, who would later train and manage famed boxer Billy Conn. In the early part of the 20th century, radio had been used primarily for two-way communication. The medium's popularity took a nosedive during World War I, when the U.S. military took over all airwaves. Harry P. Davis, the vice president of Westinghouse in 1921, saw radio as something more. He told Inventing American Broadcasting that radio was "an idea of limitless opportunity." On Oct. 27, 1920, KDKA became the first licensed radio station. "Ray, who fought "like a master," according to the *Pittsburgh Dai*ly Post, won the 10-round fight. Within three months, the second fight broadcast on radio took place, a title bout between heavyweight champ Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier.