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THE ST. MARY OF THE SNOWS 75TH ANNUAL FAMILY FESTIVAL was held Sunday, Aug. 4, from noon to 5 pm at the church, 1630 Ashland Rd., Madison area. The festival included a chicken BBQ, cotton candy, snow cones, Wheelbarrow Of Fun, Frontier Land, A Kid Zone full of fun games and face painting, a cake wheel, live music, poker and a beer tent. Raffle tickets were sold for \$50, and if all tickets were sold, prizes included \$5,000, \$1,000, and \$500. (More Photos on Page 8)

Athletic trainers team up with Springfield Township EMS

OhioHealth athletic trainers want student athletes to have the best chance at full recovery if they get injured on the field. That's why they're taking the time to practice with local first responders, making sure they're prepared for every scenario.

OhioHealth athletic trainers teamed up with Springfield Township EMS at Ontario High School to practice treating trauma injuries on the football field.

OhioHealth athletic trainer Tyler Sipes walked trainers through multiple situations, some requiring athletic trainers to cut through pads or load athletes onto a spine board.

Sipes says, as the only medical professionals on the field, preparation is key. "This is an important part of our practice for us every year. We are the first line of medical personnel that gets on the field when an athlete gets hurt, so it's important for us to know what we're doing, as we're the only ones there until EMS arrives. We have to be prepared for a little bit of everything until they get there."

OhioHealth is now the exclusive sports medicine provider for Ontario Local Schools. The school system will have two full-time athletic trainers year-round to meet the needs of student athletes at all levels. In addition, OhioHealth provides CPR and first aid courses for coaches, concussion baseline testing for athletes, wrestling weight assessments, pre-participation sports physicals and other selected medical services.

Ontario High School has its first football game Aug. 23. Sipes, the OhioHealth athletic trainer for Ontario Local Schools, will be on the sideline and ready to help treat any potential injury.

BrandRichland offering \$1,000, local tickets in design contest

BrandRichland has announced a design contest celebrating the county's tenacious identity. Talented designers and creators are invited to showcase their passion for Richland County by creating designs that reflect the spirit of BrandRichland.

The objective is to create a unique, edgy design that embodies the BrandRichland identity, using the brand's colors and fonts. The design should reflect the innovative spirit of Richland County and have a modern and captivating appeal that makes the public want to buy products, such as t-shirts, hoodies, and other merchandise. Eligibility is limited to participants who are 18 years or older. All entries must be submitted by Aug. 31.

To participate, contestants can submit entries by visiting https://brandrichland.com and following the instructions on the submission form. Logos and brand guidelines are available on the BrandRichland Library page. The winner, announced on Sept. 20, will receive a \$1,000 cash prize and tickets to local attractions.



THE ENTERTAINMENT EXAMINER

— By Ian Stumbo –

JOSH HARTNETT

M. NIGHT SHYAMALAN

M. Night Shyamalan was called the next Spielberg early in his career after his breakthrough hits *The Sixth Sense, Unbreakable* and *Signs.*

His career since then has been

very hit and miss and, in my opinion, none of his movies have reached the heights of those early films. Several have been good or great (Split, The Visit, Glass, The Village) and a few are some of the worst movies I have seen Earth, (After The Happening Avatar: The Last Airbender).



Shyamalan has such great premises and this one is no different. While attending the concert, Cooper finds out the arena is being surrounded by police officers and a SWAT team. They are looking for a serial killer known as the butcher. It turns out that Cooper is the butcher and he has to find a way to get out without making his daughter suspicious of his actions.

Hartnett is the strongest part

of this film and really feels menacing and determined to find a viable exit. The performances are good all around including Alison Pill as his wife and the great Hayley Mills as a profiler.

The biggest problem with this movie is that the execution is just not very exciting. Characters and plot points are set up to where the audience thinks something is going to happen and then nothing does.

Also, the movie takes a major turn in the middle where the movie becomes more

interesting and then goes back to feeling really slow. For a 100 minute run time, it felt quite a bit longer than that.

Trap has a great deal of good ideas though, like lots of Shyamalan films, does not stick the landing. The director's daughter is good in the role though admittedly a bulk of the movie shows her performing and it is easy to wonder whether the director just wanted to make a concert movie to show off his daughter's skills.

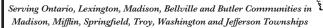
I cannot recommend *Trap* even though there are some good elements, the movie as a whole comes off as slow and pretty uninteresting.

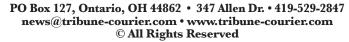


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The Mansfield Riots of 1900

By Bob Carter

Part 13

Something had to be done. A group of Mansfield business and industrial leaders accompanied by lawyers Douglas and Seward went to Chicago to broker a peace agreement with overseer Piper. The

mayor's brother J. E. Brown, president of Altman and Taylor company, Mansfield's largest industry; Col. B. F. Crawford, president of the National Biscuit Company; and Henry Hedges, the local republican big wig conferred with Piper, but to no avail.

At the same time in Chicago, papers also reported on the Mansfield blues. The blues were a group of people walking around Mansfield with little campaign style buttons with crossed paint brushes indicating they were part of the mob that



painted the elders. It was a badge of pride!

In the meantime, two more Dowie deacons, disguised as farmers with slouch hats and old clothes, were driven into town from Shelby by two women in a two seat buggy. S. P. Fogwell and John Richter attracted little attention and registered at the Vonhof Hotel at 3:30.

The clerk didn't know their mission and gave them room 32. Suspicions arose when the women were seen leaving town. Somehow the deacons were discovered and by 7 o'clock a crowd equipped with tar, paint and walnut juice gathered at the hotel covering both sides of N. Main St.

The police arrived and located the deacons but were unable to persuade him to leave town. That's the way things stood with police and Sheriff Pulver and the deputies standing outside clearing the streets until landlord Shonfield arrived from a trip to Zanesville. He went to the room, woke them up and ordered them out of his hotel. He didn't want the place to get a bad name. They refused to go so he called police and they were arrested and taken near midnight to the railroad station and sent west.

When one became an elder in the Christian Catholic Church, they signed all their property and possessions over to the church. Dowie and the church provided for the needs of the elder and family.

Should they disobey church rules or orders from superiors or for some reason wished to leave the order, they left with the shirt on their back and not much else. It is very doubtful that the elders ordered to Mansfield ever wanted to make a trip in the first place, let alone a second trip.

In reality they had little choice. Most had a family to support. They couldn't quit. Dowie ruled with an iron hand.

The first two Sundays in October saw more Pipers elders and deacons arrive and depart with police assistance. However, a second bunch tried to sneak in with the Vaudeville Act, "Little Irene." Irene made it but they didn't. They got past police at the station, but were spotted at a hotel and escorted to Sheriff "Pulver's parlor" and then to the railroad station and sent west.

Deacon Kessler returned to the city Monday at noon from Crestline. He was sent out of the city Sunday. The police were notified that he was at the Brunswick Hotel by landlord Kindle who requested the police to remove him. Accordingly lawyer J. P. Seward, Sheriff "Barney" Pulver, deputy Tom Bell and officer Wilson went to Kessler's room where he refused them admittance. Threats are made to break down the door, but Kessler was obstinate. Finally, two employees of the hotel, one a chambermaid, crawled through a window which opened onto the roof shed and unlocked the door.

Kessler was taken to a waiting cab outside and driven to the union depot. When the train arrived, he was placed on board and the door held shut by police so that he couldn't get out.

Kessler was very belligerent. When the conductor attempted to collect Kessler's fair the Dowieite refused to pay and the conductor took his hat for payment. Kessler protested vigorously and said he would complain to the superintendent. "Alright," said the conductor, "you can complain, but he will give you your hat when you have paid the \$0.40, the amount of your fare."

News Briefs

Each Sunday in August, Trinity Grace Fellowship, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area), will hold a prayer meeting focused on the upcoming school year for all students and staff in the Madison School District.

The meetings, beginning at 4:30 pm, also will lift up the expanding LifeWise Academy, a Christian-based program that will teach the students about the Word of God and Jesus Christ. The public is invited.

Advantage Credit Union, 700 Stumbo Rd., Ontario, invites the community to enjoy a summer luncheon celebration Friday, Aug. 9, from 10 am to 3 pm.

The credit union will provide a food voucher to apply for items that can be purchased from The Ontario Lion's Club and Kurbside Eatz food trucks. Donations of school supply items will be collected to help local children in need and one winner will walk away with a fully stocked backpack, already to go for the first day.

For more information call 419-529-5603 or visit Advantage4.org.

The Fun Center Chordsmen's 3rd Annual Summer Concert featuring the chordsmen & quartets will be held at the Marshall Park Bandshell, 3375 Milligan Rd., Ontario, on Monday, Aug. 26, at 6:30 pm. The group is directed by Trevor Garrabrant and the event is free and open to the public.

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 on Aug. 21, and will include roast turkey with entertainment from the Colonel Crawford 18th Century Reenactors.

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

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 Aug. 13, Soul Town Live; and Aug. 27, Atermath.

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West offers senior boxes of non-perishable food provided by the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. This comes with a 15 lb. box of fresh produce and a 2 lb. box of cheese. These items are free to those who qualify by age (60+) and low income guidelines.

Those receiving food must have at least one person age 60 or older in the household.

Boxes may be picked up between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm on the fourth Tuesday.

Due to the volume of clients, distribution is moving in May to the Mulberry St. parking lot at the corner of Park Ave West. This is directly across the side street from the church. Those attending should pull in and follow the signs and directions.

The items are available on the fourth Tuesday of each month, year round. The next distribution is Aug. 27.

The Johnny Appleseed Square Dancers are providing a free square dance and round dance demonstration and class in the Red Barn at the Richland County Fairgrounds during the Richland County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 8, from 6–8 pm.

For more information contact Don Karger at kargerdonald@gmail.com or go to apple-seedsquares.com.

A recycling trailer will be in the parking lot at Ontario United Methodist Church, 3540 Park Avenue West, Aug. 24 and 25. Acceptable items include steel and aluminum cans, crushed milk jugs, detergent bottles, plastic bottles with number 1 or 2 on the bottom, broken down cardboard, all papers included with the newspaper but no other magazines or paper. Please remove caps from bottles and rinse all containers well.

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Ave. West, Mansfield, offers a free produce distribution the second Tuesday of each month, April through November in the west parking lot.

The next free produce distribution will be Tuesday, Aug. 13, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The church receives over 8000 lbs. of fresh produce. This is open to everyone, please bring a state ID, driver's license or proof of residence. This is a drive through distribution.

Volunteers will load the produce into trunks or the back of vehicles. Please have vehicle empty and ready for loading. For information call the church at 419-522-0662.

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, 25 Church St., Bellville, will welcome Dr. Paul Robinson to speak on "Exploring the Mind and Heart of Jesus and Buddha" at 10:30 am on Sunday, Aug. 11. For information visit www.allsoulsuuohio.org.

Madison High School turns 100 this school year. Alumni can be a part of the celebration with events scheduled all year.

Events will be kicked-off at the first home football game, Aug. 30. There will be food trucks, alumni performances and alumni recognition.

Honored prior to kick-off will be the alumni band, cheerleaders, Ramettes, majorettes and football players and coaches (who will line

the field to welcome the team). All Madison alumni attending the event will be honored throughout the evening, by decades.

To register or for an anniversary t-shirt (which includes admission) visit https://sites.google.com/view/madison-100/home.

The City of Ontario, 555 Stumbo Rd., Ontario, will host meetings. On Aug. 14, the

civil service commission will meet at 1 pm and the planning commission will meet at 4 pm. Caucus will be Aug. 21 at 6:15 pm and council at 7 pm.

Madison Class of 1975 members are encouraged to send their information to 1975Madisongrads@gmail.com. Requested information includes name as in yearbook and married name, physical address, email address and cell phone number. All information will be held in the strictest confidence. Invitations will be sent for the 50th class reunion.

Third Street Family Health Services will host its annual block party on Saturday, Aug. 10, from noon to 3 pm at Malabar Intermediate School, 205 W. Cook Rd., Mansfield. There will be giveaways, free lunch, community resources, raffles, games, a walk-in clinic and more. Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/annual-block-party-tickets-917434550437?aff = oddtdtcreator&fbclid = IwY2xjawEUmtZleHRuA2FlbQIxMAABHQzzg3XBcZIC6XM166ifQtEUSQCricqfiFO7vpkkOGLm1Pk-bwsEEuXcfg_aem_uujq_IlA_Zl9ibTpLNkhsw.

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 Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12.

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

Mechanics Bank will host the Live@ Lunch 2024 Summer Courtyard Series in the Mechanics Courtyard, 2 S. Main St., Mansfield. All performances will be held from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Performances are free with the opportunity to purchase food. The courtyard is open (Continued on Page 5)



Summer crisis program available to help Richland County residents

The Ohio Department of Development and the Area Agency on Aging are once again offering assistance to help Ohio's families stay cool during the hot summer months.

From July 1 through Sept. 30, income-eligible Ohioans can receive assistance in paying their electric bill, purchasing an air conditioner or fan, or making repairs to their central air conditioning unit through the Ohio Department of Development's Home Energy Assistance Summer Crisis Program.

The program assists low-income households or those that have a disconnection notice, have been shut off, are trying to establish new service on their electric bill, require air conditioning or those with an elderly household member (60 years or older) who can provide physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for their health. Qualifying medical conditions can include lung disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, asthma and others.

To qualify for assistance, Ohioans must have a gross income at or below 175 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines for a family of up to seven members and 60 percent of the state median income for a family of eight or more. For a family of four, the annual income must be at or below \$54,600.

Last year, the program assisted more than 44,000 households in Ohio, providing a total of \$13.4 million in benefits.

To apply for the program, clients are required to schedule an appointment by calling 419-901-9539.

Clients need to bring copies of their most recent energy bills, a list of all household members and proof of income for the last 30 days for each member, proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members, proof of disability (if applicable) and physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed (if there isn't a household member over the age of 60).

The Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, Inc. (AAA) is a non-profit agency. Programs are available for all ages and income levels; however, they specialize in services and programs for older adults and anyone with disabilities. Assistance with applying for programs is available at 419-524-4144 or 800-860-5799.

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

For more information about the program and what is needed to apply, older Ohioans can call 419-524-4144. To be connected to a local energy assistance provider visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov or call 800-282-0880. Learn more about our work at development.ohio.gov.

Church Directory

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 Pastor Jay Jackson 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



Mansfield 1st EPC

399 Trimble Rd., Mansfield
419-756-7066 • www.mansfield1st.com
Rev. Joseph Yerger
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10 am Sunday Worship
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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 George Lee 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

G & M Body & Paint Shop

1689 West Fourth St., Ontario

419-529-2747

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News Briefs

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every Friday over lunch.

The schedule includes Aug. 16, music by EKG and foof by Pasta by Grunt Grub; Sept. 13, music by Sarah Goff and food by Truckin' Trav; and Sept, 20, music by Tom's Kitchen Table and food by Mr. Bill's Wood Fired Pizza.

Due to Ontario High School's open house scheduled for Aug. 13, the board of education meeting will be relocated to the Ontario Middle School Library.

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, has welcomed Pastor Jay Jackson who will serve the congregation in word and sacrament as the new pastor. His first Sunday in the pulpit will be Aug. 18. The Jackson family will be moving to Mansfield very soon.

State Route 13 from Hanley Rd. to Chilton Ave., will have short term, single lane closures for resurfacing work. The contractor is completing necessary preliminary project work. Traffic will be maintained with barrels and the lane closures will be removed on a daily basis. Estimated completion for the 2024 construction season is November 2024. The estimated completion of the entire project is May 2027.

First English Lutheran Church, 53 Park Avenue West, Mansfield, will host a rummage sale in its undercroft on Friday, Aug. 23, from

3-6 pm and Saturday, Aug. 24, from 8 am to 1 pm.

Any donations received from this sale will go towards upgrading the church's antiphonal organ. The church will offer food concessions on Saturday from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm. All food is by donation which will be used to support feeding over 900 orphans at the Malawi Orphan Care Project in Lilongwe, Malawi.

At the special meeting held on July 31, the Republican Party Ontario Central Committee members appointed Kris Knapp to fill the vacancy of the office of Mayor of the City of Ontario.

The committee thanks Randy Hutchinson for all his years of ded-

ication and hard work to the citizens of Ontario.

The North Central Ohio Industiral Museum (NCOIM) 2nd Annual Retiree Luncheon will be held Aug. 30, from 11 am to 1 pm at the Ohio State Reformatory in Mansfield.

The event will honor the industrial excellence in North Central Ohio, past and present.

The event is free to the first 200 manufacturing retirees in North Central Ohio.

There will be a program from 11 am to noon with lunch served by Port-A-Cook. There will be torus of the NCO Industrial Museum in the OSR Lower East Diagonal. Attire is casual.

There is no charge for this event, but reserve a seat online at https://www.ncoim.org/get_calendar_details.cfm?calendarid = 1 or call 419-528-8107.

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Andrzejewski named Hospice of NCO Volunteer of the Year

Hospice of North Central Ohio (HNCO) has presented the 9th Annual Sandra J. Rule Dauch Volunteer of the Year Award to Larry Andrzejewski.

Danielle England, volunteer service manager stated, "Larry is a compassionate and dedicated hospice volunteer. He has been involved with hospice for over 16 years. I have worked with Larry for 13 years and it has been rewarding to see the contributions he has made."

Larry has been involved primarily in patient care and has made an extraordinary impact. He is a Vietnam veteran and has helped with the We Honor Veterans program through recognizing other veterans for their military service. The impact is immeasurable.'

Established in 2016 through a grant from The Richard E. & Sandra J. Dauch Foundation, Charlevoix, Michigan, the award is presented annually in honor of National Hospice & Palliative Care month to a HNCO volunteer who exhibits extraordinary commitment, impact, personal growth and inspiration to others. Nominations are submitted by supervisors and peers and reviewed by a selection committee.

HNCO regularly engages approximately 200 volunteers who provide and/or assist with patient care programs, administrative duties, special events, military pinning ceremonies, Camp Hope children's bereavement camp and What Goes 'Round Thrift Shoppe operations.

Obituary Listings for Wappner Funeral Directors

Malvern "Butch" Partin, July 24 Richard "Rick" E. Wagoner, July 24

Thomas Anthony Miller, July 26

Judith D. Porter, July 26 Donald V. Smith, July 26

Connie Lynn Turnbaugh, July 26

Jamie Dawn Voetsch, July 27

Jamie Ann McWhorter, July 27

Kathryn Ann Floyd, July 28

Sarah Ann Simmons, July 28

LaRonda Lou Birmelin, July 29

Jan Distl, August 1

Ronald Dean Thompson, August 1

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Photo by Damon Callis

Day Trippin' With Damon - The trademark of Headlands Beach State Park is its massive 35-acre Lake Erie beach. Besides providing exceptional sunbathing and swimming opportunities, Headlands Beach also offers unique beach glass hunting and phenomenal Lake Erie sunset viewing. Currently, the exhibit Small Giants by Alex Senna is on display. The artwork consists of two larger-than-life sculptures (IO' tall) representing two children sitting next to each other. LANDFORM, a public art program developed and managed by local non-profit LAND studio, brings temporary artworks to downtown Cleveland.

Saturday, August 10

Miss Blueberry Pageants at Heartland Church 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, sponsored by the Lexington Kiwanis

Wednesday, August 14

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

Thursday, August 15

22nd 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 Rock & Roll City 2023
Grace Riegel, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Blue Lights & Bubbles Parade, 8:45 pm
NEW for 2024 "Meet the Teams" –
Lexington Fall Sports Athletes, 9:00 – 9:30 PM
Conne 9:30 – 11:00 pm

Schedule of Events

Friday, August 16

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)

Jevan Cole, 4:15 – 5:45 pm

Tracy Roese, 6:30 – 8:15 pm

Slick 31, 8:30 – 10:30 pm

Jody Odom, Jr., 9:00 – 10:30 pm

Family Movie Night – "Under the Boardwalk", 9:30 –11 pm

Saturday, August 17

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, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Park National Bank Children's Coin Drop 12:30-1:00 pm
Blueberry Bash - Games (Presented by Nationwide
Children's Hospital), 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Kiddle Tractor Pull Registrations - 1:30 pm / 2:00 pm sto
Ohio Athletics Exhibition, 2:00-3:30 pm

Saturday continued . .

Whiz Bang Science Show in the Park Meadow - 3/5/7 pm Dana Ave, 4:15 - 5:30 pm Shawna Corder, 6:15 - 7:45 pm Recess, 8:30 - 9:55 pm / 10:25 - 11:00 pm Fireworks Presented by Charter Next Generation -

Sunday, August 18

7th 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
The Celtic Sisters, 12:45 – 2:45 pm
Sunday Funday Celebration Parade – 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Visiting Royalty, 3:30 – 4:30 pm



22nd ANNUAL FESTIVAL ENDS AT 6:00 PM ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 - THANK YOU ALL FOR COMING!



Photos By Traci Little

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THE 174TH ANNUAL RICHLAND COUNTY FAIR kicked-off on Sunday, Aug. 4, at 2 pm with a flag raising ceremony. Honorary fair board member of the Richland County Agricultural Society, Karen Rieman, was the emcee for the opening flag ceremony. This year, three different color guard groups were recognized: St. Pete's Boy Scout Troop 121, leader D. O'Neil, Richland County Sheriff's Department and the Shelby Legion Post 326. Doc Stumbo was announced and former Miss Ontario 2023 Jaslyn Lopez sang the National Anthem. Two veterans from Richland County raised the American Flag and the POW Flag, representing military personnel active and retired. Next, Dr. Judy Villard Overocker from the Ohio State 4-H Extension Office, had a 4-H and FFA member raise their flags. The Agricultural Society raised the State of Ohio flag and the Richland County Flag. Robin Vanerio from Maddox Memorial Church gave an invocation. The Agricultural society honored the Area Agency on Aging and Trae Turner gave the mission statement. Rachel Ruffer presented a commendation from Secretary LaRose celebrating and commending the fair. He is currently on Army Reserve Duty at Fort Liberty so he was not in attendance. Rieman closed by wishing everyone a fun and safe time at the fair.











St. Mary of the Snows Family Festival



















NEW VENUE: Richland Carrousel Park 75 N. Main Street, Mansfield Event Details: Check in 9:00 am | Ceremony / Walk at 10:00 am

Donors awarded \$20 Amazon card for giving

The American Red Cross is experiencing an emergency blood shortage as the nation faces dangerous levels of heat and people head out for final summer travel plans.

Since July 1, the Red Cross national blood supply has fallen by more than 25 percent, and blood donors of all types, especially those with type O blood, are urged to give as soon as possible to help patients receive lifesaving medical care.

Blood products are being sent to hospitals faster than donations are coming in. Right now, type O inventory is so low, distributions of this vital blood type are reduced below what hospitals count on.

"It's critical hospitals have both type O positive and O negative blood ready to go for patients in the most life-threatening situations," said Dr. Eric Gehrie, executive physician director for the Red Cross.

"Type O is especially important for victims of accidents and other trauma who are receiving emergency treatment. Now is the time for donors of all blood types to give and ensure hospital shelves can be restocked before any impact to patient care."

The Red Cross is working with hospitals around-the-clock to meet the blood needs of patients – but can't do it alone.

To make an appointment, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

As a thank-you, those who come give blood, platelets or plasma Aug. 1–31, will get a \$20 Amazon.com gift card by email.

Bloodmiobiles are scheduled for:

Wednesday, Aug. 7, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario; and noon to 6 pm, Richland County Fairgrounds, Mansfield

Thursday, Aug. 8, noon to 6 pm, Resurrection Parish, 2600 Lexington Ave., Lexington; and noon to 6 pm, Richland County Fairgrounds, Mansfield

Wednesday, Aug. 14, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario; noon to 6 pm, Lucas Community Center, 252 W. Main St., Lucas; and 1–6 pm, Planktown Country Market, 1921 Free Rd., Shiloh

Thursday, Aug. 15, noon to 6 pm, Hope Lutheran Church, 2010 Park Avenue West, Mansfield; and 2–7 pm, American Legion Hall, 77 Bell St., Bellville

Friday, Aug. 16, 10 am to 3 pm, YMCA, 750 Scholl Rd., Mansfield; and 10 am to 4 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario

Tuesday, Aug. 20, $1-6~\mathrm{pm}$, Crossroads Ontario Campus, 636 Lexington-Springmill Rd., South

Wednesday, Aug. 21, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario Friday, Aug. 23, 8 am to 1 pm, OhioHealth Mansfield Hospital, 335 Glessner Ave., Mansfield

Saturday, Aug. 24, 8 am to 2 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario Wednesday, Aug. 28, noon to 6 pm, Richland Mall, Ontario Thursday, Aug. 29, 10 am to 4 pm, OhioHealth, 199 W. Main St., Shelby

Jesus march coming to Shelby

Everyone in the community is invited to join in marching through Shelby on Saturday, Aug. 17, at 10 am to proclaim that Jesus Christ is King.

Those marching will gather on the Grand Boulevard off Wentz Ave. in Shelby, at 9 am. The march will step-off at 10 am.

"Jesus Is King" t-shirts and flags will be available for purchase ahead of time.

The group will be gathering at the Blackfork Commons Amphitheater on Richland Ave., in Shelby, after the March from 11 am to 4 pm for worship music, special speakers and Baptisms. Bishop Anthony Cooper and Evangelist John Laser will be among the speakers.

Those attending are asked to bring chairs, snacks and drinks or stop at one of the many local eateries within walking distance.

More information will come on parking and a shuttle available for those participating in the Jesus March.

Contact JesusMarchShelby2024@outlook.com for information on how to order t-shirts and flags. For information visit https://www.facebook.com/JesusMarchShelby2024?mibextid = ZbWKwL.



FFA reporter Nicole Beverage with her dairy market steer

Plymouth FFA prepares for 2024 Richland County Fair

By Nicole Beverage, Plymouth FFA reporter

As the summer slowly starts to come to a near end, the fair is upon us and kicked-off on Sunday, Aug. 4.

Plymouth FFA members put in countless hours working with their fair projects and keeping up with record keeping. They are hopeful all their hard work will pay off during the week. Before show day, members must complete their online records, a home visit, barn meetings, animal weigh in, animal grooming and training and many other small tasks.

Through fair projects, members learn about the joys and discomforts of agricultural life. They learn about life and death, how to troubleshoot health issues and potential diseases, budgeting for both profit and loss but they also learn to be respectful and responsible and just how precious life is.

From sanitizing and setting up pens with adequate space and ventilation for their animals to the daily care of feeding, watering and preparing their animals for the show arena. Members are guided by their mentors, parents and advisors as they are tasked with researching their animals and learning about their growth requirements, nutritional needs, growth rates and other needs such as deworming, hoof trimming, and grooming in preparation for show.

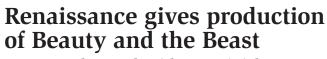
Plymouth FFA members exhibiting livestock projects are Nicole Beverage, Kensley Burrer, Taylor Dean, Lincoln Distl, Lucas Distl, Rylee Gowitzka, Brianna Flanagan, Morgan Follett, Colton Hass, Sarah Hoak, Sienna Kennison, Alyson Lewis, Carson Lewis, Kaylee Martin, Presley Martin, Braden Montgomery, Madison Montgomery, Kendall Oakley, Blake Oney, Ava Stine, Mya Stine, Kelsey Surgener, Katelyn Swingle, Kristen Swingle and Camryn Wallace. Exhibiting a dog project is Kyrsten Caudill.

The sale is very important as members earn money which is invested in the local and state economies as they purchase first vehicles or save for advanced education, but the show arena is just as important. In the show arena they learn and practice soft skills and learn communication and professionalism. We would love the community's support in the new show arena and sale arena.

The show and sale schedule for Plymouth FFA students at the Richland County Fair includes the remaining dates of Thursday, Aug. 8, 8:30 am sheep show; and 5 pm livestock sale (rabbits and poultry); Friday, Aug. 9, 9 am Small Equine Fun Show; and 3:30 pm Showman of Showmen Contest; and Saturday, Aug. 10, 9:30am Livestock Sale (steer, feeder calf, hogs, sheep, goats).

Donations in any amount may be sent to the Plymouth-Shiloh FFA Alumni Buyers Club who will use any monetary donation to support the students. Donations can be sent to 1784 Baseline Rd., Plymouth, OH 44865 or dropped off at the tent located directly beside the main show arenas.





Photos and Article By Traci Little

It's been a magical couple of weekends at the Renaissance Theatre as guests watched the production of Disney's Broadway Musical *Beauty and the Beast* come to life before their eyes.

A special thank you was given to Alta Florist & Greenhouse for supplying the roses that the cast were able to share with the young princesses and princes in the audience.

The cast included Kayla Perez as Belle, Matt Piper as Beast, Bob Gardner as Maurice, Jacob Poiner as Gaston, Zakari Ramos as LeFou, Noah Casner as Cogsworth, Dru Loman as Lumiere, Nykera Gardner as Babette, Leah Gesouras as Mrs. Potts, Wyatt Bechstein as Chip, Madeleine McNamara as Madame De LaGrande Bouche, Lilly Casey, Kadelyn Becker, and Tonne Webber as Les Filles and Jake Sustersic as Monsieur D'arque.

Kayla Rodriguez Perez is a New York based singer, actor, and educator, having completed her M.M. in Musical Theatre Performance and Vocal Pedagogy at New York University and B.M. in Classical Voice at University of West Georgia in 2021.

Matt Piper completed his third role at the Renaissance Theatre and was last seen on stage as Jerry Mulligan in the stage production of *An American in Paris*, and before that, Zach in *A Chorus Line*. Matt thanked all his mentors, friends, cast, and family. Finally he shares gratitude to Beast and for the incredible work that came from him.

Director Ryan Shealy was excited and honored to be directing his tenth production for the Renaissance. Previous productions include *Annie, The Last Five Years, Cabaret, Little Shop of Horrors, Spring Awakening, Spamalot, Next to Normal, title of show* and *Rent.* He has been with the show since 2017. He is very grateful to Michael Thomas, Chelsie Thompson and the rest of the staff for this continued opportunity.









Photos By Jeff Hoffer THE FIRE AND IRON NATIONAL RALLY Ride to Redemption visited the Bellville and surrounding areas Aug. 3.

Lexington Council working on solution for sidewalks

The Village of Lexington Council held a meeting July 1. Mayor Jarvis presided and council members attending included Keith Bacin, Adam Gongwer, Wynn Kearns, Jeff O'Brien and Todd Wise.

Also attending were Attorney John Studenmund, Administrator Peter Them, Chief Weaver and Jim Banks.

The park board cancelled the July 9 meeting. Erich Schroeder is

planning the pickleball court ribbon cutting.

Finance director Jim Banks reported that all ten bank accounts have been reconciled for the month of June.

Councilman Kearns noted that Park National Bank spoke to the cemetery board to review the board's investment. Banks advised the village is using a sweep account for the general fund that generates interest while maintaining high liquidity and some money is already in a CD.

Kearns reported that state guidelines limit the type of investment but a ladder approach CDAR is in progress for the cemetery to lock rates in the belief that interest rates will decline later in 2024.

As reported by Peter Them, the water department's new backhoe is parked at village hall for viewing.

Insurance money came in for a policer cruiser and money was spent for a copier lease. The old copier from village hall went to the

The street department sanded down buckled blocks of the village's sidewalks. The project started at village hall. One piece of walk takes approximately one hour to smooth evenly. The concrete planer costs \$700 per week. The village used this one for two days and were charged \$500.

Councilman Wise asked what was learned after the two-day endeavor. Them stated that the village's walks were leveled down, anywhere from one inch to one and half inches. They will revisit some of the residents' buckled walks at a later date. Councilman Wise stated a legal strategy will need to be set before doing resident's sidewalks.

Councilman Wise asked for updates on Fox Road's sidewalks. Them said he has not received any more information regarding traffic tables, but he did talk with the engineer and regional planning regarding a strategy for obtaining funds for the project.

For future sidewalks it may be more diligent to install the walk on one side of Fox Road only. Mayor Jarvis stated that the Safe Walks to School grant program was made available to Plymouth schools for their sidewalks to the school. Mayor Jarvis said KEM will work to get a grant also. Them noted there are a couple of options out there to obtain grant monies.

Kilgore, street supervisor, ordered a sign for no jake brakes permitted. Councilman Bacin asked if the village or county sprays for mosquitos. Them stated that the village does and they just sprayed last week. Bacin asked that if the village allowed the county to spray would that be a cost savings? Them will review this option.

Councilman Bacin noted the last storm washed out debris and is now collecting at US Route 42 and Cedarwood Drive.

As reported by Mayor Bob Jarvis, the village received \$425,000 for Lexington Depot for the Main Street Corridor Improvement project. The village is responsible for \$100,000 towards the project. Once that is completed, we will get a drawing of the project.

'I received an email from the state auditors requiring all state employees, including council, to attend a fraud training seminar. It is only an eight-minute video," said Mayor Jarvis. "We will watch it on Aug. 5, before the council meeting.

The Halloween Walk is scheduled for Oct. 19 from noon to 5 pm on the bike trail, starting at either Lexington Depot parking lot or Community Park on Plymouth Street. Cathy McGlone is in charge. As reported by Chief Troy Weaver, "We are working with Brian

Moore for the Blueberry Festival/Parades. Also, a new cruiser has arrived and is currently being fitted with official equipment.'

"We are currently preparing an area for new evidence room."

Councilman Bacin asked if the village is short in the number of

Chief Weaver replied, "The department is currently not short. When the second SRO was brought in; we were short because (Continued on Page 18)

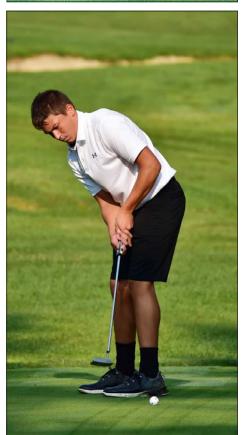
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Ontario football preparing for another great season

By Kris Leiter

I'm a firm believer in giving credit where credit is due. There is not enough of it in today's society. Why is it that headline news seems to be negative for the most part?

I recently had the privilege to encounter three amazing people. This wasn't planned. Sometimes in my line of work, I encounter people in places that just happen. Like a well-oiled machine. Things line up and fall into place beautifully.

These three were Ron Skelton, Rayvon Skelton and Ryder Hensley. But who are they? Well, I'm glad you asked.

They are part of the Ontario Warriors football team and connected in a very cool-roundabout way. Each of them have an incredibly unique story.

As my Mother used to say "In this life, you will learn something new every day."

Ryder Hensely plays defensive tackle as well as right guard for the Warriors. Rayvon Skelton is the nose tackle. If you are not aware of what a nose tackle does, they line up directly across from the opposing team's center, who snaps the ball to the quarterback.

As I sat across from these three individuals, I would feel pity for the opposing team, as it is very apparent that these guys lift weights — a lot of them and quite often.

They have been friends since childhood. After chatting with them, you would think they were biological brothers. They do a lot of things together that brothers typically do.

Both are seniors with Rayvon coming in at 5' 8" 240 lbs and Ryder towers at 6' 0" 270 pounds.

They both have played side-by-side on the defensive since freshman football. I have covered a lot of football. Successful teams usually have players that have played together for years, which could be attributed to Ontario's success for the past year and the fact they are looking good for the 2024 campaign.

Rayvon and Ryder declared, "We have each other's back."

"We have been friends since elementary school. We never argue," said Rayvon.

They have another unique scenario as Rayvon said, "We're even dating a set of sisters."

Ryder said, "We love to lift weights. We give credit to Fleets Gym



and owner Harry Stickleman and manager Mason Blevins for letting us lift at their place. We have 8 or 9 guys that all hang out together."

Another key to success is maybe that the team does something that others may not.

"We do yoga as a team with Alison Turnbaugh, who is our instructor," Rayvon said. It's the little things that make teams excel. Who knows, but it might just be one of the keys.

Both young men feel good about the upcoming season. "We feel we can go 10–0, with the good group of guys that we have," said Ryder.

I was intrigued by another unique thing that the Warriors do. It's something I've never heard of. "We also have a "Ghost Writer" program, Rayvon says.

Each player is assigned a secret person, who the coaches select from former Ontario Alumni. The players have no idea who this "Ghost Writer" is, but they will write notes of praise or encouragement to each player on the team throughout the season.

"We don't know who these people are, but they will keep us motivated as the season goes on, and sometimes put gifts in our locker to encourage us as a team," said Rayvon.

So, back to giving credit as mentioned earlier. I think when someone has a unique and challenging situation, and has to endure something potentially life-threatening, I would say they deserve to be applauded for their efforts — especially when this particular person is a child or young adult.

Rayvon has another special scenario. He is a Type 1 diabetic. Maybe not rare in itself, but definitely a rarity in high school sports. Rayvon was diagnosed when he was seven years ago.

This brings in the third piece of the puzzle: Ron Skelton. Ron is Rayvon's father and also the running back coach for the Warriors.

"It's easier to monitor than one would think. Rayvon wears a monitor while playing, that continues to relay information constantly to the app on our phones," said Skelton. "Our trainer is always on point and keeps close watch as the game progresses."

Skelton says, "We have the boys drink Pedialyte two hours before game time. This elevates the blood sugar to around 200."

"As Rayvon continues to play during the game, which physical exercise is actually beneficial for a diabetic, his sugar level will settle in the normal range and will maintain a good reading throughout the game," said Skelton says.

Hot weather can be a factor for a diabetic as well. Skelton continues, "We just keep an eye on Rayvon as the game continues"

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"It's really self-sufficient with the modern technology these days. If I'm in the middle of calling an offensive play, our trainer is amazing and has my back."

I asked Skelton about the Warriors upcoming 2024 campaign.

"We feel that we have an excellent product this year, as we went 10–2 last year, going two rounds into the playoffs.

There will be some strong teams that we will be facing this year." "We have a good group of seniors coming back. Our defense is

Well, speaking of hungry, after all this writing, I'm getting a tad hungry as well. Coach Skelton also has a unique skill — he has a knack for cooking.

"I make some tasty jerk chicken and will be selling it at Nelly's Hideaway, 3717 Park Avenue West, for the first game coming up against Lexington. As the season continues, we might try some other dishes as well.'

"It takes two days prep time. Get there early, it usually sells out,"

Lexington Council working on solution for sidewalks

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another vehicle became that officer's unit, but as of today, we have plenty of cruisers.

The chief's theory is to keep the cruisers longer than previously and not be fearful of not having sufficient cruisers available. Councilman Kearns asked if an officer is in training is there a vehicle for them to use? Chief Weaver stated there is usually a cruiser and if not, the village Jeep is usually available.

Ordinances were passed for providing for permanent budget amendments and appropriations for July for the police department, general and depot senior funds; and for adopting the tax budget for the Village of Lexington for the fiscal year 2025 and declaring an emergency.

A resolution was approved giving consent of the village for the Ohio Department Of Transportation to remove snow and ice and use snow and ice control material on state highways inside the village corporation limits.

August 11 serves as reminder to contact 811 before digging

August 11 is almost here, and Columbia Gas hopes that the 8/11 date 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.

On August 11 and throughout the year, Columbia Gas reminds homeowners and professional contractors alike to use the free 811 service before digging to reduce the risk of striking an underground utility line. The depth of utility lines can vary for several reasons, such as erosion, previous digging projects and uneven surfaces. Utility lines need to be properly marked because the risk of striking an underground utility line still exists even when digging only a few inches or digging in a previously marked location.

When contacting 811 at least two business days in advance, local utility companies mark the approximate location of any buried main lines and service lines so that there is no of risk injury or utility service disruption to the neighborhood. It's easy to make a free request by calling 811 or going online to Ohio811.org.

Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, inconvenient outages and fines. Every digging project, whether large or small, warrants contacting 811 by phone or online. Installing a mailbox, building a deck, planting a tree and laying a patio are just some examples of digging projects that require a free 811 request at least two business days before breaking ground.

said Skelton. Fair warning to all you fans. You have the inside scoop. Good luck to the Warriors as they open the 2024 season with arch rival Lexington, at Copeland Field on Aug. 23. There will be bonfire, along with "smashem-up," sledgehammer activities.









Hospice of the Western Reserve GLP-1 drug Liraglutide may completes acquisition of **Hospice of North Central Ohio**

Hospice of the Western Reserve (HWR), a premier provider of hospice and palliative care services in Northern Ohio, has completed its acquisition of Hospice of North Central Ohio (HNCO). This strategic alliance aims to expand access to high-quality, comprehensive endof-life care across a broader region.

The news follows a February 2024 announcement that the two community-based, nonprofit agencies had entered a management services agreement, allowing HWR to begin a due diligence process in preparation for the full transition. The acquisition comes because of increased competition within the HNCO service area, economic challenges, and a need to stabilize and ultimately grow the organi-

The acquisition brings together two organizations with a shared commitment to providing exceptional care and support to patients and families, enhancing service offerings, streamlining operations, and increasing community engagement. Hospice of the Western Reserve, with over 45 years of experience in end-of-life care, will expand its 15-county service area through Hospice of North Central Ohio to include Ashland, Knox, Richland and other nearby counties.

The acquisition will create the region's largest team of hospice and palliative care certified physicians and specialists, offering the most extensive range of services and support. Additionally, the acquisition will strengthen the organization's ability to support local communities through enhanced education, outreach and volunteer

"We are excited to welcome Hospice of North Central Ohio to the Hospice of the Western Reserve family," said Bill Finn, president and CEO of Hospice of the Western Reserve. "This partnership marks an important milestone in our mission to deliver exceptional hospice and palliative care. By combining our resources and expertise, we can ensure that more individuals and their loved ones receive the compassionate support they need.'

Joan Hanson, MSN, RN, CHPCA, director of palliative care at Hospice of the Western Reserve, has been serving as interim executive director of Hospice of North Central Ohio during the due diligence process. As of Aug. 1, she will serve as Hospice of the Western Reserve clinical director in Ashland, Knox and Richland counties through the end of 2024.

"I look forward to continuing to work with the dedicated staff in Ashland, Knox and Richland counties," Hanson said. "Over 90% of the HNCO staff has chosen to join the HWR team, showing their commitment to providing compassionate care and support in these

As a nonprofit, Hospice of the Western Reserve is governed by a Board of Directors. To create and maintain local community engagement and support for Hospice of Western Reserve's programs and services at the highest levels in Ashland, Knox and Richland counties, Hospice of the Western Reserve is establishing two Advisory Councils: the Hospice of the Western Reserve Ashland/Richland Advisory Council and the Hospice of the Western Reserve Knox County Advisory Council.

The Advisory Councils will help improve access and use of high-quality, community-based palliative and hospice services; provide feedback and evaluation of programs and services; be a source of creative ideas for development, special events and volunteer engagement; and represent Hospice of the Western and its mission in Ashland, Richland and Knox counties.

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protect against dementia

Liraglutide, a glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) drug appears to slow cognitive decline by protecting the brain, according to Phase 2b clinical trial data reported today at the Alzheimer's Association

International Conference® (AAIC®) 2024. GLP-1 receptor agonists, which mimic the natural hormone glucagon-like peptide released by the stomach after eating, can help people manage diabetes, lose weight and lower their risk of heart disease, stroke and kidney disease. Research in animal models of Alzheimer's disease suggests these drugs may have neuroprotective effects, reduce early forms of amyloid, normalize the brain's processing of glucose, and improve memory and learning. Liraglutide (Novo Nordisk) likely works by multiple mechanisms in the brain.

This new research suggests liraglutide may protect the brains of people with mild Alzheimer's disease and reduce cognitive decline by as much as 18% after one year of treatment compared to placebo by slowing the shrinking of the parts of the brain that are vital for memory, learning, language and decision-making.

We are in an era of unprecedented promise, with new treatments in various stages of development that slow or may possibly prevent cognitive decline due to Alzheimer's disease," said Maria C. Carrillo, Ph.D., Alzheimer's Association chief science officer and medical affairs lead. "This research provides hope that more options for changing the course of the disease are on the horizon.

The randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial led by Prof. Paul Edison, M.D., Ph.D., professor of science from Imperial College London, included 204 patients with mild Alzheimer's disease at 24 clinics throughout the United Kingdom. Each received a daily subcutaneous injection for one year: half received liraglutide and half received a placebo. Before and after the study, all patients had magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) to evaluate brain structure and volumes, glucose metabolism PET scans and detailed memory testing.

The study's primary endpoint was change in the cerebral glucose metabolic rate in the cortical regions of the brain (hippocampus, medial temporal lobe and posterior cingulate), which was not met. However, the secondary endpoint of change in scores for clinical and cognitive measures and the exploratory endpoint of brain volume showed statistically significant benefit.

The slower loss of brain volume suggests liraglutide protects the brain, much like statins protect the heart," said Dr. Edison. "While further research is needed, liraglutide may work through various mechanisms, such as reducing inflammation in the brain, lowering insulin resistance and the toxic effects of Alzheimer's biomarkers amyloid-beta and tau, and improving how the brain's nerve cells communicate."

Edison added that those in the study who received liraglutide had nearly 50% less volume loss in several areas of the brain, including frontal, temporal, parietal and total gray matter, as measured by MRI. These areas are responsible for a variety of critical functions that often are affected by Alzheimer's disease, including memory, language and decision-making.

Researchers conducted cognitive testing in 204 patients — before treatment and at 24 and 52 weeks. Although the study was not powered to assess cognitive changes, researchers found that patients who received liraglutide had an 18% slower decline in cognitive function in a year compared to those who got the placebo.

There are 236,200 Ohioans 65 and older living with Alzheimer's disease according to the Alzheimer's Association 2024 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures. A total of 414,000 Ohio caregivers provide 624 million hours of unpaid care each year, valued at \$11.4 billion.

Those concerned about themselves or a loved one can contact the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter at alz.org/nwohio or call 419.537.1999 to schedule a care consultation and be connected to free local resources.

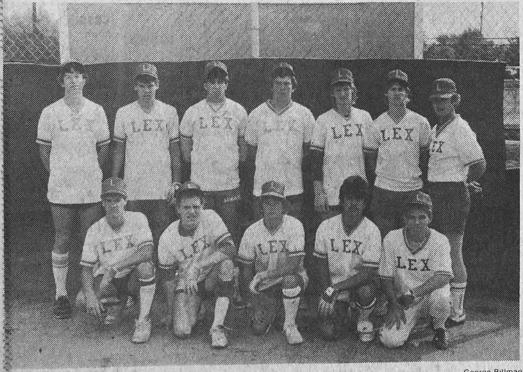
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LOOKING BACK . THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY



LEXINGTON LITTLE LEAGUE GIRLS ALL-STAR TEAM — Front row, Michelle Browning, Diane Mott, Heather Thompson, Tracy Martin, Michelle Brown and

Bobette Jaynes. Second row, Stacy Richards, Nicolle Bethea, Jeni Schrack, Cassandra Au, Kristine Finefrock, Laura Zerby, Michelle Lesch and Jenny Taylor. Third row, coaches David Mott and Jerry Thompson.



LEXINGTON BOYS YOUTH BASEBALL TEAM — Front, Joe Wendling, Teddy Wendling, Chris Reisdorf, Tyler Armstead and Randy Reasor. Second row, Kevin Hostutler, Bob Nicholson, Bruce Schulte, Tony Lorenz, Joe Snyder, Cam Rucker and Manager Gary Rucker.

This Day in History — Aug. 8, 1974: In an evening televised address, President Richard M. Nixon announces his intention to become the first president in American history to resign.

With impeachment proceedings underway against him for his involvement in the Watergate affair, Nixon was finally bowing to pressure from the public and Congress to leave the White House. "By taking this action," he said in a solemn address from the Oval Office, "I hope that I will have hastened the start of the process of healing which is so desperately needed in America."

Just before noon the next day, Nixon officially ended his term as the 37th president of the United States. Before departing with his family in a helicopter from the White House lawn, he smiled farewell and enigmatically raised his arms in a victory or peace salute. The helicopter door was then closed, and the Nixon family began their journey home to San Clemente, California. Minutes later, Vice President Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as the 38th president of the United States in the East Room of the White House.

After taking the oath of office, President Ford spoke to the nation in a television address, declaring, "My fellow Americans, our long national nightmare is over." He later pardoned Nixon for any crimes he may have committed while in office, explaining that he wanted to end the national divisions created by the Watergate scandal.

Public confidence in the president rapidly waned, and by the end of July 1974 the House Judiciary Committee had adopted three articles of impeachment against President Nixon: obstruction of justice, abuse of presidential powers, and hindrance of the impeachment process.

On July 30, under coercion from the Supreme Court, Nixon finally released the Watergate tapes. On August 5, transcripts of the recordings were released, including a segment in which the president was heard instructing Haldeman to order the FBI to halt the Watergate investigation. Three days later, Nixon announced his resignation.

Taste of the Browns to benefit the Greater Cleveland Food Bank

The Greater Cleveland Food Bank and the Cleveland Browns will celebrate 26 years of Cleveland's love of sports and acclaimed culinary talents at Taste of the Browns on Monday, Sept. 16, at Cleveland Browns Stadium.

Taste of the Browns presented by NOCO is the major annual fundraiser for the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, the region's largest hunger relief organization, raising more than \$4 million since 1999. Every dollar raised helps the Food Bank provide three nutritious meals to the community.

Honorary event co-chairs, Cleveland Browns All-Pro Guard Joel Bitonio; Cleveland Browns Legend Hanford Dixon; and Chef Rocco Whalen of Fahrenheit, will be joined by other current Cleveland Browns players and alumni to raise awareness and funds for local Northeast Ohio families. This year's fundraiser features some of the region's finest restaurants, including Blue Point Grille, Sora, Fahrenheit, Lago East Bank and Morton's The Steakhouse Cleveland.

"As requests for our services have grown in recent years, events like Taste of the Browns allow us to continue meeting our region's need for nutritious food," said Kristin Warzocha, President and CEO of the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. "The Greater Cleveland Food Bank and the Cleveland Browns can't wait to celebrate our 26th annual event and the many talents of our sports players and culinary

Not only are guests able to sample the city's best cuisine and mingle with current Browns players and alumni, but a silent auction will also be available to bid on throughout the evening to benefit the Food Bank.

The auction opens online on Sept. 8, with bidding continuing online and in-person until the conclusion of Taste of the Browns, providing a wonderful opportunity for those unable to attend the fundraiser but wanting to show their support.

The event will be in the 7UP City Club at Cleveland Browns Stadium from 6–9 pm. General admission tickets are \$225, VIP tickets \$300 and Special Teams Experience tickets \$350. Tickets are inclusive of all food and beverages, a complimentary souvenir glass and valet parking.

The Club 25 VIP Lounge features exclusive food and beverage tastings, along with mingling with Cleveland Browns players and alumni. The Special Teams Experience ticket includes the benefits of the previous ticket levels as well as exclusive access to the Key Bank Club for an intimate social hour with sponsors from 5-6:30 pm. All proceeds benefit the Food Bank.

The Greater Cleveland Food Bank is a community partner of the Cleveland Browns First and Ten initiative, established in June 2014 to inspire fans to volunteer at least 10 hours each year. In the past five years, more than 2.5 million volunteer hours have been pledged in Northeast Ohio and local communities through the initiative.

For more event information or to order tickets, call 216-738-2139 or visit www.GreaterClevelandFoodBank.org/Taste.

News Briefs in Education

Area students graduated from Cedarville University in spring 2024. Caleb Baney of Lexington earned a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering in Elec Engineering

Adam Caldwell of Lexington earned a Bachelor of Arts in English. Grace Johnson of Lexington earned a Bachelor of Arts in Primary (P-5) Education.

David Vance of Mansfield graduated from Cedarville University with a Doctor of Pharmacy.

Madison Comprehensive High School students can pick up their schedules at the high school on Tuesday, Aug. 13, Wednesday, Aug. 14 and Thursday, Aug. 15, from 9 am to 2 pm.

Open house is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 5:30 to 7 pm. Freshmen orientation will be Wednesday, Aug 21, at 6:30 pm in the high school cafeteria.

The first day of school for freshmen and sophomores is Thursday, Aug. 22 and all students return Friday, Aug. 23.



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Mansfield Men's Garden Club to host 69th Annual Fall Harvest Show

The 69th Annual Fall Harvest Show, sponsored by the Mansfield Men's Garden Club, will take place Saturday Aug. 24 and Sunday Aug. 25, in the Kingwood Center Gardens/Charles King Ballroom. The show will be open for viewing, free with admission to Kingwood, from 2 to 5 pm Saturday and from 10 am to 5 pm on Sunday.

Area gardeners are invited to show their best vegetables, flowers, fruits, herbs, houseplants, artistic design arrangements and to compete for prizes and ribbons in many horticultural categories.

Junior gardeners, through grade 12, may also exhibit their vegetables, flowers, and flower arrangements. Fall Harvest Show categories and rules can be found on the Mansfield Men's Garden Club website at mansfieldmensgardenclub.com. Show booklets can be picked up at the Kingwood Center Gardens guest services desk or local garden centers.

The theme for the artistic division is "Along Kingwood Paths/70 Years". Entries will be accepted from 7–11 am on Saturday, Aug. 24. Entries should be brought to the west end of the Gateway Center and Garden Club members will be available to transport entries to the King Ballroom during this time. Show schedules, entry cards, and other information may be obtained at the check-in desk at the west end of the King Ballroom.

Sponsors are the John P. Gross Family Fund and Mechanics Bank. Additional sponsors and supporters are Kingwood Center Gardens, NECIC, Richland County Fairgrounds and DLX.





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