



TRIBUNE-COURIER

RICHLAND COUNTY'S ONLY LOCALLY-OWNED NEWSPAPER • SINCE 1961

news@tribune-courier.com

07.03.25



Richland County Foundation funds community needs

The Richland County Foundation Board of Trustees approved grants totaling \$923,634.86 during its June meeting.

Competitive and field of interest grants approved by the board included the following grants:

Habitat for Humanity of Richland and Crawford Counties received a grant for Building Futures Together which is a collaborative effort between HHRCC and Pioneer Career & Technology Center, focused on expanding access to affordable housing while providing hands-on workforce training for local students. During the 2025–2026 academic year, Pioneer students will construct a new Habitat home in Shelby. The partnership offers a life-changing opportunity for a family in need, while also equipping the next generation with valuable skills.

The City of Mansfield Police Department received a grant for a Therapy K9 Team which includes a canine named Charlie. Charlie will be assigned to the Mansfield Senior High School Resource Officer, and it will be a part of the Community Police Unit. The Therapy K9 Team will be a resource for students, teachers, and staff affected by trauma. The Police Department believes the K9 Therapy Team will have a positive impact on relationships between law enforcement and community members.

The Lucas Community Center received a grant for an outdoor deck. For safety reasons the deck and a retaining wall must be rebuilt. The deck is utilized as a gathering space and allows access to the sand volleyball courts.

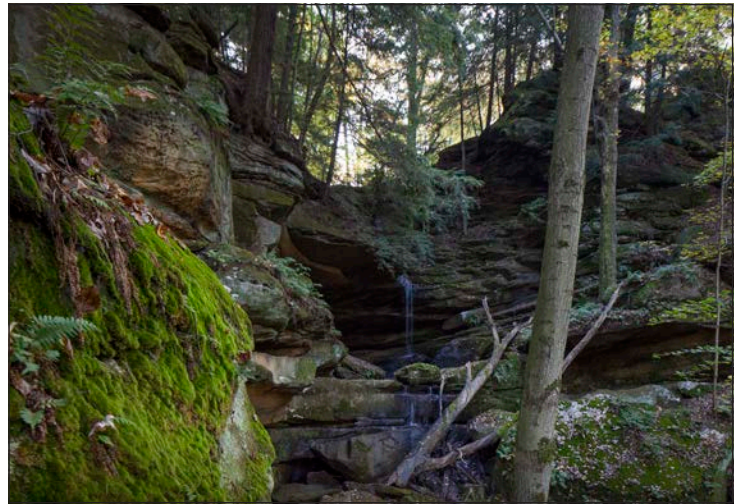
The North Central Ohio Land Conservancy received a grant to expand its trail by a quarter mile and to protect the view of adjoining properties that are a part of the Clear Fork Valley Scenic Trail. The trail serves hikers in southern Richland County.

The Richland Community Development Group received a grant for BrandRichland which is a project in the Foundation's Mansfield Rising Plan. BrandRichland is a strategic, marketing campaign designed to shift perception, build civic pride, and attract new residents, talent, and investment to Richland County. With the foundational brand identity now fully developed, this project represents the implementation phase: launching internal and external awareness campaigns that tell a compelling and cohesive story of who we are as a community.

The Board of Trustees approved grants from donor advised funds which allow individuals, families, and corporations the opportunity to make grant suggestions to their favorite charities. Donor advised funds are a flexible and convenient alternative to a private foundation. It is also a way to keep charitable contributions anonymous, at the preference of the donor.

Organizations receiving grants from donor advised funds include Denison University, Discovery School, Downtown Mansfield, Inc., First Congregational Church of Mansfield, Furniture Bank of North Central Ohio, Honey from the Rock LLC, Love on a Mission, Lucas Community Center, Mansfield Art Center, Mansfield Community Playhouse, North Central State College, Ohio Bird Sanctuary, Pioneer Career Technical Center, Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp, Richland Academy of the Arts, Richland Carrousel Park, Richland Community Development Group, Richland Historical Society, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Ohio, Shakespeare Company of Mansfield, Shalom Christian Missions, St. Paul Outreach Center, St. Peter's Parish, Taking Root Farms, Third Street Family Health Services, Wayfinders Ohio and Wayne Center for the Arts.

The Board of Trustees also awarded seven scholarships to students attending a career technical education school. The Scholarship Committee implemented a rolling deadline for CTE scholarships to meet various enrollment deadlines. Aligning with Ohio's Attainment Goal, the Foundation wants to help fill the gap between job openings and certified employees as well as lead the way to support workforce development through CTE scholarships.



THE NORTH CENTRAL OHIO LAND CONSERVANCY received a grant to expand the Clear Fork Valley Scenic Trail. Located between the Richland County B&O Bike Trail to the south and the Malabar Farm and Mohican State Parks, The Clear Fork Valley Scenic Trail offers over nine miles of hiking trails, including loops and spurs.

175th Richland County Fair is just a month away

The 175th Richland County Fair is coming Aug. 3–9.

The fair's opening day is Sunday. At 2 pm there will be a 4-H Dog Agility Show in the horse pleasure arena. A fair opening ceremony and flag raising will be held at the center flag pole at 3 pm. The Jr. Fair King & Queen Pageant and Coronation will be held in the John Hartz Building at 5:30 pm. Harness racing will also be at 5:30 pm.

The Bake-a-Rama Awards & Auction will be in the John Hartz Building at 6:30 pm.

Heartland will perform in the Nature Park at 7 pm. They are a contemporary Christian band.

On Monday, the Ageless King/Queen Contest will be held in the John Hartz Building at 2 pm. The Horse Royalty Coronation will be held at 5 pm in the horse arena. Harness racing will be at 5:30 pm, followed by weiner dog racing.

The Jr. Fair Dog Fun Show begins at 6:30 pm in the John Hartz Building. The Mid-Ohio Community Band will give a performance in the Nature Park at 7 pm.

Christian music artists Jordan Feliz and Riley Clemons will perform Tuesday, Aug. 5. Gates open at 6 pm with the concerts set to start at 7 pm. For tickets visit <https://app.fairs.com/e/4a69d5626f0f4591>. Mason Shane will give a performance of light rock and original songs in the Nature Park at 7 pm.

On Wednesday, a pie auction is planned for 5 pm in the Arts and Crafts Building. Keith Hunter will give an acoustic/easy listening concert in the Nature Park at 7 pm.

The rodeo will be held Wednesday at 7 pm. Grandstand seating is free with \$10 reserved seats available.

Also at 7 pm will be the Jr. Fair Talent Show in the John Hartz Building.

At 1:30 pm, the Barnyard Olympics will be held in the show arena on Thursday.

The Central Ohio Truck Pull Circuit and County Tractor Pull is also Thursday beginning at 5 pm. Grandstand seating is included with admission with \$10 reserved seats, \$10 pit and \$20 back gate tickets.

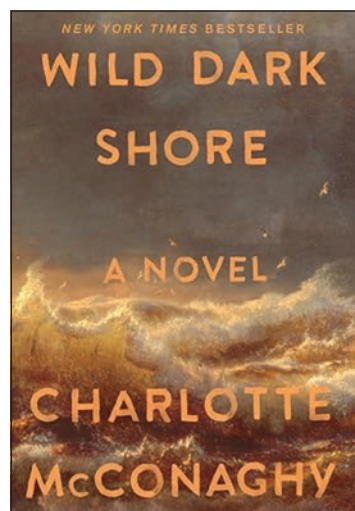
The Johnny Applesed Squares will meet in the Red Barn from

(Continued on Page 6)

LOST IN A BOOK



A Book Review
By Mandy Belczak Gurney



Wow. *Wild Dark Shore* by Charlotte McConaghy was gripping and full of mystery and characters I loved to champion.

If you know McConaghy's writing, then you know she often takes a true scientific concern and turns it into a thriller or sometimes a dystopia so the readers can gain a better understanding of the conflicts in our natural world.

Her settings are always vibrant, taking me far from my reading chair and into the vast wilderness. I loved experiencing this fiction Australian island of the future with its penguins, seals and melting ice.

A dad and his three children are the caretakers of one of the world's only seed banks. When

a body washes on shore, secrets start to reveal what has been long hidden.

Read this if you want a story that keeps you captivated the whole way through. I give it a high rating, not because I really remember it fondly, but because the writing was so well done.

My rating: ★★★★★

Follow my blog at *Green Gurneys* at GreenGurneys.com



Scan to
Subscribe
to the FREE
Weekly Issue

Or Visit
<http://eepurl.com/hnS9N9>

American Red Cross encourages donors to give during July

As the busy Fourth of July holiday week gets closer, the American Red Cross asks donors to celebrate by making a blood or platelet donation appointment to help power the blood supply through mid-summer. While all blood types are needed, donors with type O blood are most urgently needed.

Making and keeping donation appointments now is critical to ensuring blood products are available for all patients — including those in trauma situations that may require several lifesaving transfusions — in the weeks to come.

Type O negative blood is often reached for in emergencies when there isn't time to match a patient's blood type.

Type O positive is the most common blood type, so it's important to keep type O blood and all blood types on hand at hospitals for people facing both chronic illness and sudden, life-threatening conditions.

Make an appointment by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App.

The Red Cross and goodr are joining forces in July to remind donors they're just the type patients can count on.

All who come to give July 1–14, will get an exclusive pair of Red Cross x goodr sunglasses, while supplies last. Donors can personalize their one-of-a-kind shades with a blood type sticker! For details, visit RedCrossBlood.org/goodr.

Those who make it in to give by June 30, will get a \$15 Amazon.com gift card by email, plus be automatically entered to win one of two \$7,000 gift cards.

Bloodmobiles will be held:

Saturday, July 5, 9 am to 2 pm, The Ontario Center, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Monday, July 7, noon to 6 pm, The Ontario Center, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Tuesday, July 8, 11 am to 5 pm, Heartland Church, 2505 Lexington Springmill Rd. S., Lexington

Wednesday, July 9, noon to 6 pm, The Ontario Center, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Friday, July 11, 11 am to 5 pm, The Ontario Center, 2209 Richland Mall, Ontario

Monday, July 14, 1–6 pm, New Life Church of Christ, 195 W Durbin Ave., Bellville

Kingwood Walks schedules dates

Kingwood Walks, hosted By Ohio District 5 Area Agency on Aging, will be held July 8 and Aug. 12, at Kingwood, 50 N. Trimble Rd., Mansfield, from 10–11:30 am.

No registration is required for this Mobility Steps event and gates open at 10 am. Check-in is at the welcome desk and admission is free if participating in the walk.

Learn about the AAA5 programs and services and Richland County Mobility Management while walking through Kingwood Center Gardens.

For more information on the walk at Kingwood contact Randy Hutchinson at 567-247-6483.

Mobility Steps meets at The Ontario Center (formerly Richland Mall) from 10 am to noon on the first and third Wednesday of every month (excluding holidays). Walkers meet at the Center Mall anytime between 10 am and 12 pm.

Free Community Health Day is July 22

Richland Public Health in collaboration with Avita, Cleveland Clinic, Nationwide Children's Hospital, OhioHealth and Third Street Family Health Services, will present the 2nd Annual Free Community Health Day on Tuesday, July 22 from 9 am to 3 pm in the Richland Public Health parking lot, 555 Lexington Ave., Mansfield.f

Free/low cost health services will be provided.

The vendor registration deadline is Friday, July 11. For information contact Shannon Nelson at snelson@richlandhealth.org or 419-774-4761.

Vol. 64
No. 38

Tribune-Courier



Serving Ontario, Lexington, Madison, Bellville and Butler Communities in
Madison, Mifflin, Springfield, Troy, Washington and Jefferson Townships

PO Box 127, Ontario, OH 44862 • 419-529-2847
news@tribune-courier.com • www.tribune-courier.com
© All Rights Reserved

The Tribune-Courier is published by Stumbo Publishing Co., Inc. Advertisers should check their ad immediately. The Tribune-Courier is not liable for failure to publish an ad or for a typographical error or errors in publication, except that adjustment for Tribune-Courier errors is limited to the cost of that portion of the ad wherein the error occurred. Marc A. Stumbo, publisher; Frank A. Stumbo, president/CEO (1961–2018); Betty E. Stumbo, co-publisher (1961–2017); Jenna M. Wolford, managing editor, general manager and feature/travel writer; Teresa Vore, office manager; Traci Little, photojournalist/advertising representative; Kris Leiter, sports writer; John J. Kirschenheiter, editor (1961–2008); Linda Fulmer, columnist (2005–2014). By-lined stories are opinions of the writers and do not necessarily reflect the position of this newspaper.

News Briefs

The City of Ontario will host Concerts in the Park at Marshall Park's band shell from 6 to 8 pm this summer.

Concerts are scheduled for:

July 8, David Perry

July 22, The Return

Aug. 12, Soul Town Live

Aug. 26, Oolong Gurus

★

The Richland County Republican Party's July First Monday Luncheon will be held Monday, July 7, from 11:45 am to 1 pm, in the Kobacker Room at DLX Events and Catering, 28 N. Main St., Downtown Mansfield.

Those attending will hear from State Senator Kristina Roegner, candidate for Ohio Treasurer.

To ensure an accurate headcount, RSVP by calling 419-528-8223 or emailing rcoghop@gmail.com to reserve seats and optional lunches (\$10 each).

★

The Lexington Area Senior Citizens Inc., invites those 55 and older to attend meetings the third Wednesday of every month at 11:30 am. February through May, the group will meet at New Life Church of Christ (NLC of C), 195 W. Durbin, Bellville. Cost is \$17 for the meal.

Meetings June through December will be held at Der Dutchman, Rt. 96, Bellville. Meals are \$16, with an additional \$2 for pie.

The next meal will be July 16, with roast beef and bingo. Those attending are asked to bring a prize labeled for a man, woman or both.

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

★

Trinity Grace Fellowship Church, 1592 Grace St., Mansfield (Madison area), will hold its annual Vacation Bible School July 20-24 from 6-8:30 pm each night.

The VBS is for children kindergarten through eighth grade.

Entitled "Wonder Junction," children will marvel at the life of Jesus and learn to live for His glory. Registration is available online at <https://trinity-grace.myanswers.com/wonder-junction>.

★

A Shiloh Mennonite Community Benefit Auction for Special Needs Children will be held Saturday, July 12, from 9 am to 4 pm, at the Blooming Grove Auction, Inc., 1091 Free Rd., Shiloh.

This will be a live country auction held in an open-air barn. Proceeds benefit both the DDC Clinic and the Clinic for Special Children in Lancaster, PA.

★

Richland County Children Services (RCCS) will team up with community partners Richland Newhope, Richland County Board

of Developmental Disabilities, Catalyst Life Services, Mansfield Branch-YMCA of North Central Ohio and Richland Public Health for the Together We Move 5K & 1-miler Fun Run.

The event will be Saturday, July 26. The 5K starts at 9 am at the Mansfield YMCA and the 1-Miler Fun Run starts at 10:15 am at Sterkel Park. Race day registration opens at 8 am. Sign up at <https://run-signup.com/Race/OH/Mansfield/TogetherWeMove5K>

★

Lexington Church of the Cross UMC, 236 Otterbein Dr., Lexington, is hosting Wonderful Wednesdays now through July 30, from 10-11:30 am. The Wednesdays will include crafts, snacks, games, music and stories. A fiesta will be held Aug. 3, at 11 am.

For information and registration call 419-884-2150 or visit www.churchofthecrosslex.com.

★

Junior Achievement of North Central Ohio will host the Annual Golf Classic on Monday, July 21 at Deer Ridge Golf Course in Bellville. The event supports financial literacy, career readiness and entrepreneurship education for thousands of K-12 students across our rural communities.

Cost is \$600 for a four-person team and the fee includes lunch, snacks, SuperTicket, drink tickets and contests. Cash prizes include awards for first, second, middle of the pack and 24th place. There will be a putting contest, hole-in-one challenge, closest to the pin, longest drive and more.

For information or to register visit <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/shcgo/event/2025drgolfclassic/>

★

CACY's Store It Safe Richland Program offers lock boxes for firearms, sharp objects and medications to protect and reduce risk of injury and save lives.

Contact the CACY office at 419-774-5683 or andersont@cacyohio.com for details. If someone is thinking of harming themselves, call the local crisis helpline at 419-522-HELP (4357).

★

All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church of Bellville, 25 Church St., Bellville, will host Dr. Paul Robinson on Sunday, July 6, at 10:30 am. The subject will be "Evil In Our Midst." For information visit www.allsoulsuohio.org.

★

The 35th Annual Silver King Tractor Festival and Show will be held Aug. 1, 2 and 3 at Mary Fate Park, 200 Sandusky St. (Rt. 61), Plymouth.

The Silver Kings of Yesteryear Tractor Club will host the event that will include all brands of antique tractors and farm equipment, a parts swap meet for Silver King parts, vendors, entertainment, raffle items and a 50/50 drawing.

Set-up is July 31. For information call 567-275-1105.



It's planting your roots in the perfect place.

With new options that could lower your down payment, we make financing your dream home as enjoyable as putting some geraniums in your flower beds. (Excellent choice, by the way.)

MyMechanics.com/mortgages



Subject to credit approval. Additional terms and conditions apply.



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 and TeamKID and Youth Group

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

200 West Third St., Mansfield

419-524-4813 • mansfield1stcc1833@gmail.com

Rev. David Zerby

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

10:30 am Sunday School (nursery-high school)

10:30 am Monday Morning Bible Study

7:30 am Wednesday Men's Breakfast

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.

Grace Episcopal Church

41 Bowman Street, Mansfield

419-524-2661

Rev. Christopher D. Hofer, Priest-in-Charge

Rev. Daniel Orr, Associate Priest

Worship: Sundays, 8 am and 10:15 am

Christian Formation for All Ages: Sundays, 9:15 am

Food Pantry: Thursdays, 9-11 am

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 4-6 pm

gracemansfield.org • facebook.com/GraceChurchMansfield

G & M Body & Paint Shop

1689 West Fourth St., Ontario • 419-529-2747

Wappner Funeral Home

Mansfield • Ontario • Ashland • 419-522-5211

Lexington Church of Christ

230 Delaware Ave., Lexington

419-884-1532 • www.lccoh.com

Lead Minister Brandon Bogue

9 am Sunday School • 10 am Sunday Worship

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 Presbyterian Church

399 Trimble Rd., Mansfield

419-756-7066 • www.mansfield1st.com

Rev. Joseph Yerger

9 am Adult & Youth Sunday School

10 am Traditional Sunday Worship

ADA Accessible Nursery & Children's Programming

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

Oakland Lutheran Church

2045 Olivesburg Rd., Mansfield

419-571-9920

Pastor Paul Lintern

9 am Sunday Worship

Ontario United Methodist Church

3540 Park Avenue West., Ontario

419-529-4345 • ontarioumc.com

Rev. J.P. Snyder

9:30 am Grace & Eggs

11 am Sunday Worship and 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 9 am to 1 pm

AA Meetings M & F 10 am & noon;

Wed. noon Brown Bag and Sat. 6 pm

Clothing Ministry by appt: 419-512-9817

Southside Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

2055 Middle-Bellville Rd., Mansfield

419-756-3436

Pastor Paul Lintern

10:45 am Sunday Worship

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

Foreign exchange student program seeking families

Families across the U.S. have a unique opportunity to experience a new culture right in their own homes. ASSE International Student Exchange Programs, a non-profit public benefit organization, is currently seeking warm and welcoming host families to open their homes to international exchange students for the upcoming school year.

Hosting an exchange student is a life-changing experience for families that fosters cultural understanding, builds lifelong friendships, while enriching local communities.

Students, aged 15-18 years, come from over 60 countries around the world.

The students are carefully selected based on their academic performance, English proficiency, and personal character, and they are eager to become part of an American family, attend a local high school, and share their own traditions.

During their stay, students immerse themselves in American culture by living with and becoming part of a host family while attending a local high school.

This experience allows them to improve their English skills, form lifelong friendships and gain a deeper understanding of American life and values.

Families interested in hosting can apply at www.host.asse.com or can call Saphia Lesch at 800-736-1760 or email midwest@asse.com.

Kingwood plans events

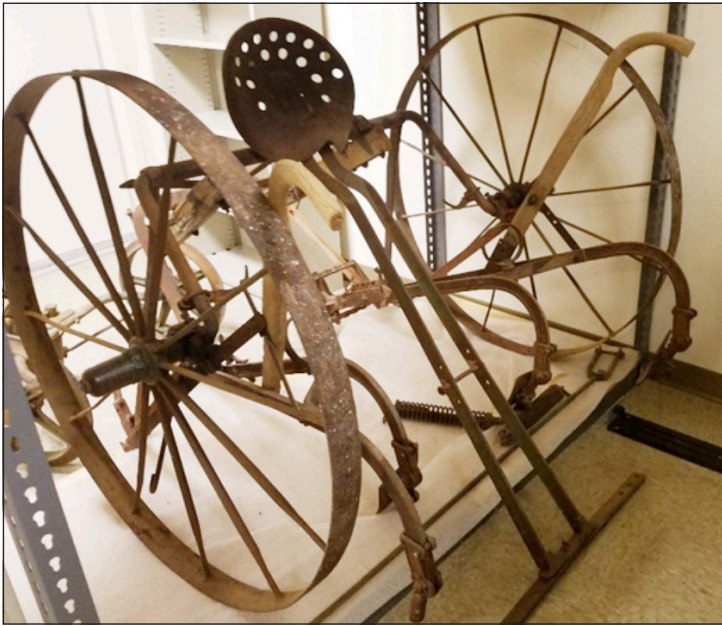
Kingwood Center Gardens, 50 N. Trimble Rd., Mansfield, will host a Free First Monday on Monday, July 7.

Kingwood hosts free admission days on the first Mondays on the month.

Hands-on educational drop-in activities are scheduled for 1-3 pm on the free Mondays.

Kingwood will also host a Family Day on Sunday, Aug. 3, from 10 am to 4 pm.

There will be educational activities, art stations, yard games, community partner booth and food trucks. Activities run until 4 pm, but the gardens will remain open until 7 pm.



TO THE FARMER

The implement market today affords the farmer a wide choice in the design, quality, and price of the implements he requires.

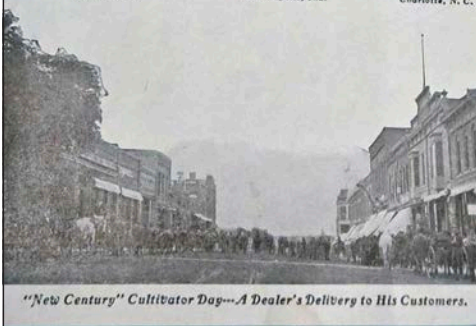
It is important therefore to know that Roderick Lean Implements are a line of specialties. This means that this company concentrates its best efforts on a class of tools, that are merely sidelines with most builders.

With factories completely equipped with special machinery for the construction of these special tools, the greatest economy of production is secured. This permits the use of the finest materials, the best methods of construction, and insures the highest possible value to the farmer.

Thus, with exclusive designs, Roderick Lean Implements stand in a class by themselves, and the farmer who has a Roderick Lean Harrow, Cultivator, Roller etc., has sure satisfaction and service.

Roderick Lean Mfg. Company Mansfield, Ohio

Kansas City, Mo. Burlington, Ia. Detroit, Mich.
St. Louis, Mo. Bloomington, Ill. Columbus, Ohio.
Waterloo, Ia. Indianapolis, Ind. Charlotte, N. C.



"New Century" Cultivator Day—A Dealer's Delivery to His Customers.

THE NORTH CENTRAL Ohio Industrial Museum in Mansfield was contacted by the U.S. Park Service at the National Homestead Museum in Beatrice, Nebraska about a Roderick-Lean Cultivator, manufactured in Mansfield around 1905. The museum asked if NCOIM would be interested in the piece. Terry Byrne, founder/owner of the Plug Hug, was in Dallas and made the trip to Beatrice in April to pick up the Cultivator for NCOIM museum. The museum is located in the Ohio State Reformatory in Mansfield. For more information visit <https://ncoim.org>.

Richland Academy of the Arts opens new tap-jazz studio

Richland Academy of the Arts (RAA) held an official ribbon-cutting ceremony for its tap-jazz studio, June 25.

This celebration marked a milestone in the continued growth and revitalization of the RAA's facilities through its ongoing "Empower the Arts" Capital Campaign. The newly renovated tap-jazz studio is part of a larger effort to modernize and expand artistic opportunities for students of all ages in the region.

RAA sincerely thanked State Senator Mark Romanchuk, State Representative Marilyn John, Jessica DeLong, Senior Ohio Grants Administrator and the many generous donors who have supported this renovation project. Their contributions, through the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and the Empower the Arts Capital Campaign, have made the new tap-jazz studio a reality.

"We are grateful for the partnership and dedication of our donors and state leaders in supporting the arts," said executive director Dr. Michael Benson. "The tap-jazz studio will be a vibrant space for creativity, movement, and growth, benefiting both our students and the broader community."

Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony, guests were invited to enjoy light refreshments, explore the new studio and learn more about Richland Academy of the Arts and its mission.

Founded in 1991, the academy is located in downtown Mansfield at 4th and Walnut, next to the carousel. Supported by the Ohio Arts Council and Area Agency on Aging, RAA offers programs in dance, music, theatre, visual arts and martial arts. Through its Empower the Arts Capital Campaign, RAA is working to renovate and modernize its creative spaces for the community.

Our Family Serving Your Family for Five Generations Since 1872



WAPPNER
Funeral Directors & Crematory

Three Locations to Serve You

Mansfield • 98 South Diamond St. • 419-522-5211
Ontario • 100 S. Lexington-Springmill Rd. • 419-529-2323
Ashland • 308 Claremont Avenue • 419-289-1552

www.wappner.com



TOP 10 REASONS TO CHOOSE ST. MARY OF THE SNOWS CATHOLIC SCHOOL



10. Ed Choice Scholarships Available For Everyone
9. 1:1 Technology for All Students
8. Field Trips and Enrichment in All Grades
7. Transportation Through Public Schools
6. Before and After School Care

5. Free Lunch for All Students
4. Family Atmosphere with Experienced, Caring Staff
3. Small Class Sizes = One on One Attention
2. Strong academics and Leadership Opportunities
1. Christ is the Reason for Our School

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR PRESCHOOL - GRADE 8 | CALL 419.589.2114 | ADMITS STUDENTS OF ANY RACE, COLOR, AND NATIONAL OR ETHNIC ORIGIN

•175th Richland County Fair is just a month away

(Continued from Front Page)

6–8 pm. The Draft Horse/Pony Under Saddle Fun Show will be in the Draft Horse Arena at 6 pm and the 4-H Style Revue will be in the John Hartz Building at 6:30 pm.

The classic rock group Diminished will perform at 7 pm in the Nature Park.

The Light Horses “Easy Gaited Fun Show” will be at 10 am Friday and the Kiddie Pedal Tractor Pull will be in the show arena at 1 pm.

The Jr. Fair Showman of Showmen Contest is at 3:30 pm and Open Free Style Reining is at 5:30 pm.

At 6:30 pm will be the Draft Horse/Draft Pony Pull in the Draft Horse Arena and Sweet Umbra will perform older classic rock at 7 pm in the Big Red Barn.

Motocross will begin at 7 pm on Friday. Gates open at 3 pm with practice until 5 pm. This is included with admission. \$10 reserved

seats, \$10 pit and \$20 back gate tickets are also available.

The Jr. Fair Livestock Auction will be held in the Show Arena at 9:30 am Saturday. The Jr. Fair Recognition & Awards Program will be in the John Hartz Building at 4:30 pm.

Saturday’s entertainment will be a demolition derby at 5 pm. This is included with admission with \$10 reserved seats and \$20 back gate seats available.

Gone Sovereign, a classic rock and country band, will perform at the Red Barn at 7 pm.

General gate admission includes most grandstand activities and is \$10 and free for children under 48 inches tall.

A membership ticket (seven admissions) is \$40.

Senior Citizens Day is Monday Aug. 4, with \$5 admission for senior citizens. Armed Forces Day is Thursday Aug. 7, from 8 am to closing. Admission is free with ID to all veterans and active duty.

Kids Day is Tuesday, Aug. 5, from noon to 4 pm. Ride wristbands will be \$10. Sunday through Wednesday, wristbands will be \$20 and Thursday through Saturday they will be \$25. Rides open at noon, Sunday through Saturday.

The Richland County Fairgrounds are located at 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield. For information and the full schedule visit <https://richlandcountyfair.com>.

Richland County Fair August 3–9, 2025

GRANDSTAND EVENTS:

Sunday: Harness Racing, 5:30 pm

Monday: Harness Racing, 5:30 pm

Tuesday: Riley Clemons/Jordan Feliz, 7 pm
(Tickets: richlandcountyfair.com)

Wednesday: Rodeo, 6 pm • \$10 Reserved Seats

Thursday: Truck/County Tractor Pull, 7 pm
\$10 Pit or Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

Friday: Motocross 7 pm
\$10 Pit or Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

Saturday: Demolition Derby, 5 pm
\$10 Reserved • \$20 Back Gate

Monday Senior Citizens \$5

Tuesday Kids Day (\$10 Ride Wristbands 12–4 pm)

Thursday Free for Military & Veterans with ID

General Gate Admission (Includes Grandstand) \$10
Admission for Children 48” and under is free!

Membership & Season Tickets (7 admissions) \$40

Richland Co. Fairgrounds • 750 N. Home Rd. Mansfield

richlandcountyfair.com



RICHLAND COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES presented a Certificate of Excellence on Friday, June 20, to Darrell Downs, groundskeeper for the Mansfield City School District for his service and support to the community and the families RCCS serves.

**WALK TO END
ALZHEIMER'S**
ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

FIGHTING FOR A DIFFERENT FUTURE

SAVE THE DATE : 2025 Walk to End Alzheimer's - Saturday, September 13

**SCAN
ME!**



alz.org/nw ohio/walk



Richland Carrousel Park 75 N. Main Street , Mansfield

Event Details : Check in 9:00 am | Ceremony / Walk at 10:00 am



Photo by Damon Callis



Day Trippin' With Damon – The Beaver Marsh is among the most diverse natural communities in Cuyahoga Valley National Park. The area had once been a farm and later a junkyard, which was cleaned up by a community effort. The exceptional scenery and wildlife make it one of the park's most popular destinations. The Beaver Marsh is located ¼ mile north of Ira Trailhead along the Towpath Trail. The easy walk is accessible by wheelchair or stroller.



Interior
design
inspo



Transitional
STYLE



Transitional
Style

Transitional style decor blends traditional and contemporary design elements to create a balanced, timeless look. It's characterized by clean lines, neutral colors, and a mix of textures that create a sophisticated yet inviting atmosphere.

The American Recovery Plan Act:

How local funds are being utilized

Collected and Submitted By H. David Kracker

The American Recovery Plan Act is a U.S. Congressional Act that was initiated in response to the financial hardships imposed on all levels of government entities by Covid-19. It became effective in March of 2021.

Funds were processed via state and local government entities (counties, cities, villages and townships). The application deadline was Dec. 31, 2024 and approved contracts must be completed by Dec. 24, 2026.

I was interested in how the act has benefited the Richland County Community and performed informal research in the interest of informing county residents of the benefits of this Congressional Act.

The data included below was made available by the varied government entities. The major "project" expenses are broken down in the accompanying pieces of the report. These reports include Richland County, and the cities of Mansfield, Shelby and Ontario.

Financial information was obtained from local government offices and from varied website articles. Cost figures noted were from the 2024 fourth quarter reports. It is not my contention that my numbers and math are completely accurate — tracking such large amounts of money was tricky business.

Richland County received \$23,532,744 through the county commissioners with the City of Mansfield receiving \$20,995,402; City of Shelby receiving \$949,753 and the City of Ontario receiving \$639,850.

Villages received \$1,106,275, broken down by Lexington, \$492,402; Bellville, \$203,082; Plymouth, \$189,410; Butler, \$94,021; Shiloh, \$65,100; and Lucas, \$62,260.

Townships received a total of \$5,235,106, going to Plymouth, \$113,898; Cass, \$102,435; Bloominggrove, \$122,312; Butler, \$122,733; Sharon, \$91,497; Jackson, \$252,722; Franklin, \$174,791; Weller, \$182,469; Springfield, \$457,066; Sandusky, \$99,490; Madison, \$1,136,143; Mifflin, \$637,957; Troy, \$250,292; Washington, \$621,761; Monroe, \$215,387; Perry, \$150,497; Jefferson, \$304,360; and Worthington, \$199,296. The grand total is \$52,459,127.

The funds are going to help the community in a variety of ways, organized into categories below:

Richland County Commissioners

Public Safety: Grand Total \$3,777,675

Richland County Sheriff's Office, \$1,369,877
Police cruisers, \$737,524
Premium pay during Covid-19, \$440,000
Sheriff training regarding violence control, \$192,353
Multiple-responder coordination projects, \$2,024,175
Vasu tornado sirens, \$193,387
Miscellaneous vehicles and equipment, \$190,236

Strong Healthy Communities: Grand Total \$4,072,611

Tourism \$779,868
Bike Trail off of Trimble Rd. \$700,000
Fairground updates \$657,131
Westinghouse cleanup \$500,000
Sterkel Park \$500,000
Blackfork Commons Plaza in Shelby \$500,000
West End Project (Glessner area) \$200,000
Friendly House \$108,614
Affordable housing study by Chamber \$40,000
Small Business Assistance \$16,000
Dog Warden updates \$70,900

Infrastructure: Grand Total \$14,410,664

Courthouse Renovations, Subtotal \$5,361,579
Clerk of Courts, \$1,784,615
Land Bank area, \$1,781,344
Fourth court room, \$776,873
Security, \$215,561
Elevator repair, \$710,981
Emergency power, \$22,644
Furniture, \$69,561

Clean Water/Sewer Projects: \$5,995,407

Bellville Sewer, \$43,344
Bellville Sewer part 2, \$350,821
State Rt. 39 lift station, \$101,145
Bellville Palm Park, \$117,000
Madison Storm Sewer, \$50,000
Bellville SR 97 (YMCA, \$4,833,097
Shiloh project, \$500,000

Roads: \$1,053,678

Broadband: \$2,000,000

Administration: Grand Total \$1,264,187

Management of ARPA funds, \$67,051
Medical Insurance Premiums for Covid-related costs, \$1,197,136
The grand total is \$23,525,117.

The City of Ontario received a grand total of \$639,850, as reported by the auditor. The city spent these funds on park systems, \$539,223 (Marshall, Spray and Stowell); city hall security, \$45,000; Village Mall Dr., paving \$46,590; and street light repair on Stumbo Rd., \$9,037.

The City of Shelby received a grand total of \$949,753, as reported by the treasurer's office. In essence, they used these funds under the revenue replacement category to recuperate wages paid to their police and fire department personnel during and after the Covid-19 pandemic along with other allowable project expenses.

In turn, the money obtained allowed the city to use the enhanced general fund monies for other uses, including \$100,000 for the Blackfork Commons project and \$150,000 for a new ambulance.

The City of Mansfield received a grand total of \$5,043,368 for public safety including for police vehicles, \$809,768; police radio replacements, \$642,525; police dispatch system, \$333,386; police salary retention costs, \$753,093; miscellaneous police costs, \$704,045; fire department salaries and station upgrades, \$831,413; maintenance vehicles, \$439,823; tornado sirens, \$142,315; and traffic signal updates, \$387,000.

Strong Healthy Communities: A grand total of \$3,364,809 for multiple city park updates, \$769,973; Sterkel Park \$389,836; bike path, tunnel and extension to Home Rd., \$750,000; Wayfinders (Harmony House), \$500,000; west end target area (Glessner Ave. area), \$200,000; Catholic Charities \$210,000; small business assistance, \$545,000.

Infrastructure: A grand total of \$9,837,417 (rounded) went for the city administration building which includes major repairs and updates, space redesign, and major preservation maintenance projects, \$4.3 million; Third and Fourth St. sewer updates, \$2 million; industrial waterline loop, \$750,000; sidewalks (King St. and Johns Park), \$385,315; Clearfork Dam, \$1 million; HVAC upgrades (city building, airport, police training center, fire department), \$902,102; and Westinghouse Demolition, \$500,000.

Administration: A grand total of \$1,622,092 went towards the installation of six new servers \$352,092; AFSCME premium pay, \$600,000; non-bargaining employees pay, \$470,000; Oracle software, \$200,000

The grand total was \$19,867,686.

Mansfield Airport Day is August 2

Mansfield Airport Day will be held at Mansfield Lahm Airport on Saturday, Aug. 2, from 2–10 pm.

The lighted drone show is back for a third year and there will be a food truck rally, aircraft fly-in, airplane and helicopter flights, free live entertainment and kids zone. There will also be a car, truck and cycle show.

Admission and parking are free. Lahm is located at 2000 Harrington Memorial Rd., Mansfield. For information call 419-295-2478.

Hamilton Insurance Group, Inc. and Mansfield Rotary join together for golf scramble to benefit K9 unit

Hamilton Insurance Group, Inc., in partnership with the Mansfield Rotary Club, has announced the 2025 Golf Scramble benefitting the Mansfield Police K9 Unit, will be held Friday, Aug. 1, at Deer Ridge Golf Course in Bellville.

Registration opens at 8 am, with a shotgun start at 9 am.

The golf scramble raises vital funds for the Mansfield Police Department's K9 Unit — a unit that is not included in the City of Mansfield's general operating budget, but instead depends on donations and community support.

All proceeds from the golf scramble will go directly to the K9 program, helping cover the costs associated with purchasing the dogs, specialized training, medical care, food and vehicle modifications needed for K9 transport.

The Mansfield K9 Unit plays a crucial role in ensuring public safety, not just within city limits but throughout the surrounding counties. These dedicated K9 teams assist in tracking missing persons, detecting illegal drugs, apprehending suspects and enhancing officer protection.

All this makes the K9 unit an indispensable resource to law enforcement and the greater community.

"I first learned about the incredible work of the Mansfield K9 Unit during a Mansfield Rotary meeting, and I was immediately inspired to help," said Neil Hamilton, president of Hamilton Insurance Group, Inc.

"These dogs and their handlers put themselves in harm's way to protect all of us. They're an essential part of our safety network, and they deserve our support."

There are still openings for foursome teams, as well as opportunities for sponsorships and raffle donations.

Foursome teams are \$400 and team and hole sponsorships are available for \$500. Donations of gift cards or raffle baskets are also appreciated.

To register a team, donate a prize or become a sponsor, contact Chris Bellamy at cbellamy@hamiltonins.net or 419-526-4700.

ODDC seeking council members

The Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council (ODDC) seeks new members to help make a difference for people with developmental disabilities (DD) across the state. The Council works to support independence, inclusion, and opportunities for people with disabilities in Ohio.

ODDC wants members who have personal experience with DD and who understand the needs of their communities. As a council member appointed by Ohio's governor, they will help plan advocacy efforts, support community programs and work on changes that improve the lives of people with DD and their families.

Applications are encouraged from individuals with lived experience, immediate relatives or guardians of someone with DD, and professionals working in agencies or nonprofits that serve the DD community. Applicants should have prior experience serving on a board, committee or advocacy group.

Council members are expected to attend six two-day meetings each year, join working committees and contribute to discussion on policy and funding.

Application Deadline is Aug. 1, 2025. Visit <https://ddc.ohio.gov/members-and-meetings/new-member-application>.



ARMY 1ST LIEUTENANT, Airborne Ranger Ridge Winand from Butler, walked in the Washington DC parade to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Army on June 14. Rangers led the parade. Established on June 14, 1775, the Army is the oldest of the six branches of the United States Armed Forces. The parade was the first in 34 years since the National Victory Celebration held by President George H.W. Bush, which commemorated U.S. soldiers in the involvement and conclusion of the Gulf War.



THERE'S STILL TIME!
Now through July 26,
read, engage, win!

*Summer Library Program
for all ages!*



mrcpl.org/slp2025



**Scan to Subscribe
to the FREE
Weekly Issue**

Or Visit <http://eepurl.com/hnS9N9>

Honor and Merit Rolls

Clear Fork High School

4th Nine Weeks

ALL A HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Noel Cline, Emily Conrad, Venessa Eicher, Bobbie Jo Fliger, Carter King, Fisher McLaughlin, Chloe Mowry, Alexander Ousley, Rebecca Pryor, Reina Rehberg, Dawson Staley and Christian Walker
Juniors: Ethan Beck, Piper Black, Benjamin Campbell, Milee Carillon, Mattie Colegrove, Kaiden Dettmer, Abigail Geary, Aiden Haring, Madelyn Hite, Jasmine Johnson, Zoe Lamp, Savannah Mazzola, Kenadee Muntain, Lucy Myer, Callie New, Bailee Riddle, Selena Ross, Faith Smith, Liliana Trunzo and Ashtyn Wine

Sophomores: Asia Bechtel, Taylor Bly, Jadalyne Brokaw, Mackenzie Daniels, Jonathan Evans, Charles Granholm, Alaina Hawkins, Davis Hoefflich, Marcus Hoefflich, Erika Hollar, Caleb Mack, Marin Ocheltree, Alekai Price, Ava Roberts, Samuel Robinson, Hudson Schag, Ella Schmidt, Kabuto Setser, Nicholas Skaggs, Chloe Steward, Hailly Thrush, Wade Traxler, Arianna Vanhooose and Addison Weikle

Freshmen: Matthew Anders, Nathaniel Buck, Gunnar Dill, Alyson Geary, Audrey Haring, Ashlyn Inman, Alyssa Johnson, McKenley Knuckles, Jyllian Langer, Katelyn Lucci, Kylie Ludwig, Ethan McFerrer, Karlynn Mortimer, Kendall Oswalt, Braylen Peteri, Quentin Rinehart, Sophia Schag, Emma Shultz, Adelyn Snyder, Addison Thrush, Allison Walker and Barrett Walters

HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Emily Montgomery, Lola Stillion and Mason Wade

Juniors: Brinley Barnett, Perry Beller, Alyssa Burger, Xander Cyphers, Lucas Goodman, Jayden Kaylor, Marissa(Charlie) Kennison, Jozie Lloyd, Austin McFerrer, Bryar Ousley, Kaiden Schlosser, Sophia Wilson, Nathaniel Wine and Jacob Zack

Sophomores: Jonathan Annis, Aubree Barnes, Mary(Max) Betts, Wesley Bunnell, Kristopher Bush, Layla Daugherty, Gavin Domka, Benjamin Dudley, Christian Edwards, Peyton Freitag, Noah Goodman, Jakub Hamilton, Mariah Hatfield, Christian Kinnamon, Joseph Lykins, Brody McGregor, Isabella McKenna, Avery McWilliams, Katrina Neal, Hayden Northrup, Mya Perry, Alexis Radcliffe, Alexander Schlosser, Grace Stallard, Kaiden Thomas, Austin Vanhouten, Grant Wade, Owen Weikle, Owen Weiser and Adalyn Wise

Freshmen:

Connor Bailey, Ian Black, Chesnei Flynn, Madelynn Frontz, Broghan Gattton, Gage Hoffman, Luke Keever, Maria Knight, Presley Lily, Aubryn Nickoli, Caitlin Seward, Gauge Sherman, Ashley Smith, Quinn Stover, Marley Strouse, Alina Van Horn, Victoriya Vaughn, Malia Walker and Alexis Walters

MERIT ROLL

Seniors: Kaiden Bloomfield, Mel Blubaugh and Christopher Fenton

Juniors: Tobin Amos, Reece Cook, Hansen Dornbirer, Laiken Eith, Lilah Henry, Addison Johnson, Nicholas Martin, Hadley Slaughter, Rozalyn Stover and Ian Symsick

Sophomores: Morgan Armstrong, Audrey Bowman, Cooper Brokaw, Ava Campbell, Weston Coble, Carter Coole, Sergio Cruz IV, Kane Delancy, Aiden Demoss, Madison Demoss, Tiegian Franta, Brynley Kirkpatrick, Ethan Line, Landen McKee, Zachary Nelson, Marley Pinkerton, Taylor Richmond, Isaac Ross, Ashtyn Salisbury, Bryn Sansom, Addison Schlosser, Trey Sellers, Peyton Sickles, Camellia Smitticus and McKenzie Wandall

Freshmen: Aiden Armstrong, Kendall Baughman, Elyza Baumgardner, Olivia Hall, Wyatt Hamilton, Brayden Hayes, Zayden Haynes, Emma Humphrey, Malayna Kehl, Brooklyn Kriedman, Keegan Lorentz, Hayden Mowry, Adelyn New, Jaxon Oswalt, Madilynn Peters, Ashley Peterson, Jasper Picchioni, Jaydee Skeens, Zhoie Steagall and Evan Sullivan

Madison Local School District

4th Nine Weeks

ALL A HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Andreus Adkins-Tolbert, Isabella Allen, Shyann Barnhart, Aleigha Bebout, Aaliyah Blackwell, Isaiah Bland, Emily Bogner, Emily Brandt, Braelynn Cox, Aaliyah Dombroff, Dryden Durbridge, Ryleigh Foley, Elijah Fox, Lucas Garand, Wyatt Geiger, Landon Goad, Nikkyan Grimes-Pittenger, Carter Heimbuch, Ashley Herder, Ava

Huff, Olivia Kiley, Natalie Markle, Hannah Markley, Gage Masters, Allison McKown, Keira Mooneyham, Carter Moore, Emily Musgrove, Samantha Myers, Jada Neal, Isaiah Ortiz-Martinez, Ian Parker, Paige Patton, Mavenny Perkins, Dakota Perseitz, Sydney Phillips, Josslynn Pryor, Nevaeh Rhein, Landon Rhinehart, Meghan Roberts, Brody Savage, Bresendra Shaum, Lillie Southerland, Trenton Speelman, Lucas Stollings, Alivia Szymczak, Leah Thomas and Angela Williams

Juniors: Megan Bays, Elizabeth (Libby) Bekeleski, Myla Blankenship, Isabella Brown, Micah Clark, Aubrey Conn, Morgan Cook, Laykin Curry, Courtney Cyrus, Evan Cyrus, Lillian DeLong, Timothy Ellis, Brianna Fidler, Emma Finley, Kaleb Gordon, Emmalie Hall, Hayden Hatfield, Aubrey Hendrickson, Kalayah Johnson, Kaylin Johnson, Amya Joplin, Drew Kepple, Christopher (Chris) Lucas, Nicholas Maglott, Kavantray Marsh, Deont'e McDaniel, Macy Mounts, Jalycia Nelson, Avah Newsome, Raygen Reiter, Emma Reynolds, Jenna Richards, Nathan Riggie, Zoey Robinson, Aryana Rogers, Elizabeth Schwartz, Johnny Smith, Bryce Speelman, Grace Speelman, Esther Stanfield, Liam Stone, Courtney (Cole) Vioc, Audrey Ward and Jerry Wertz

Sophomores: David Clayburn, Kinley Clow, Kaylea Cole, Samantha Crist, Claire Durbridge, Trenton Ford, Aliya Hall, Cambree Howe, Ashtyn Huffman, Mac'kel Johnson-Kawczynski, Koree Kershner, Evan Larsen, Sophie Lowe, Kiya McConaughy, Jordan McWilliams, Kylie Merritt, Avery O'Brien, Jaxon Shaffer, Allie Shrader, Shiann Skeen, Isabella (Bella) Smith, Hudson Stacy, Keeli Stewart, Kamryn Swanson and Gabriela Vega-Wieland

Freshmen: Zaylynn Ball, Kaley Bowman, Bryant Carroll, Layla Cushard, Jarrod Cyrus, Shiana Elliott, Carter Foley, Cadence Gushard, Owen Hendershott, Alana Henriquez, Journee Jaranowski, Adalynn Jordan, Camille King, Kaden LaPene, Angel Montanez, Victoria Neal, Devin Peterson, Rachel Porter, Karalynn Ransom, Khloe Sayre, Allie Shambaugh, Landon Stone and Makenzie Wynn

Eighth Grade: Jenna Bebout, Madelynn Carpenter, Alexander Dillon, Troy Kegley, Andrew (Aj) Lowe, Aryiah Miller, Cameron Montgomery, Mason Morrow, Addyson Powell and Morgan Turney

Seventh Grade: Liam Barr, Jaxon Bennett, Reagan Brooks, Gannon Conway, Abbigale Crist, Rylie Davidson, Samara Gillespie, Savannah Hamilton, Laine Heston, Jordan Jeffers, Izabella Kenner, Emma Lewis, Carson McQuillen, Preston Patrick, Kendal Shrader, Alexander Weightman, Ethan Wingo and Jersie Yunker

Sixth Grade: Annalise Barber, Jessica Cakebread, Amia Carroll, Lily Eckenwiler, Hailey Hedrick, Roman Hipfl, Kennadi Knipp, Parker Larsen, Demari Roper, Elena Santiago, Eleanor Sidwell, Madelynn Thompson, Beckham White, Mackenzie Wiggins and McKenzie Winger

Fifth Grade: Ella Barr, Lincoln Bays, Isabella Beatty, Carter Clow, London Hamilton, Ingrid Keffer, Zeke Markley, Olivia Mason, James Price, Joel Robertson, Carter Shenberger, Olivia St. Clair and Chaly Zehner

Fourth Grade: Thomas Bautz, Seth Clark, Brantin David, Abigail Davis, Natalie Debo, Jayden Estes, Andrew Finley, Ember Fry, Abel Hensley, Bryson Holloway, Alexander Holt, Sawyer Howell, Harley Kindinger, Teagan Kirsch, Phoenix Lewis, Weston Miller, Ares Peters, James Ross, Brynn Sauder, Mykelti Sly, Gabriel Utt and Ellie Vanwagner

Third Grade: Karter Allen, Praxton Allen, Emily Allison, Evan Baldrige, Robert Beck, Blaire Belcher, Madilyn Bryant, Raylee Carmichael, Lycoln Collins, Mason Crego, Owen Elswick, Gracie Evans, Rayson Evans, Livia Foote, Owen Frank, Layla Harvey, Nathan Heier, Crue Henry, Grayson Hoehn, Ryleigh Holmes, Oliver Hubert, Dalton Hudson, Konner Jessee, Lily Kegley, Caleb King, Abram Kliewer, Elorie Lang, Asher Larsen, Emeri Lewis, Malachi Lindsay, Isaiah Lykins, Braxon Martin, Cobey McCoy, Stacey Montgomery, Edith Mount, Lincoln Myers, Emme Neron, Theron Ogle, Hayden Ohl, Leah Peck, Mae Rhinebolt, Lilyana Richards, Madelyn Risinger, Divinity Shoaf, Ava Sigman, Luke Stantz, Brendan Thomas, Liam Wake, Averie Washington and Addilyn Yoha

HONOR ROLL

Seniors: Draven Anderson, Ava Armstrong, Declan Auflick, Addison Baker, Nathan Baldinger, Nikolas Balg, Jacelynn Barley, Aiden Bartley, Ethan Bibler, Nya Bishop, Allyssa Blasini, Rodney Caldwell, Madison Crank, Jaxon Crow, Kaitlyn Davies, Chloe Davis, Gracie Dotson, Ariel Ellis, Kira Ewers, Kaden Fultz, Freddie Gordon, Alyssa Gray, Logan Hoffman, Alyse Huggins, Joseph Isenhardt, Zariah Jackson, Mason Jacobus, Kiarra Johnson, Mariah Johnson, Keiayrsah Jones, Brynn Kiley, Teddy Lane, Elijah Lewis, Gage Lykins, Logan Mapes, Veronica Mawer, Zion McCraney, Gavyne McDaniel, Katie Myers, Brady O'Brien, Damon Parnell, Jordan Parnell, Sophia Parsons, Jillian Pennington, Drake Ramey, Emily Ringer, Madison Sackman,

(Continued on Page 11)

•Honor and Merit Rolls

(Continued from Page 10)

Larissa Sarow, Yusuuke Sasaki, Ellieanna Shindeldecker, Faith Smith, Destinee Snavelly, Emma Speelman, Rhea Stanfield, Emma Stankovich, Kristian Stoots, Brianna Studer, James Sutton, Maggie Thomas, Lillian Truax, Karis Vega, Adam Weatherford, Kady Webb, Owen Wigton, Braylon Williams, Nathan Yarman, Wyatt Yarman, Derek Yates and Lela Zehner

Juniors: Lilliana Allen, Bradley Baich, Payton Bartolomea, Madison (Maddie) Berry, Nathan Bittman, Cruz Boggs, Julianna Boliantz, Brandi Bowles, Natalie Brandt, Carter Branham, Paityn Butler, Preston Coffman, John Collins, Caleigh Cook, Emily Daugherty, Sanaa Davis, Braedon Dawson, Piper Donahue, Aiden Essick, Hannah Fulltz, Camryn Gowitzka, Ashley Gusta, Alexis Hairston, Kelsie Harry, Landon Harvey, Maci Hergatt, Alyson (A) Hoak, Nathan Hoffman, Aaron Hughes, Randy Jamieson, Brennan Johnson, Izabela King, Campbell Kiser, Bradlee Kotterman, Tauren Lindsey, Zane Lindsey, Isabella Liviskie, Jacob Lord, Zachariah Loretta, Nathanael (Nathan) Marks, Wyatt Martin, Aaron McEndree, Ashton McGlasson, Zoe McQuillen, Chloe McWhorter, Owen Morrow, Matthew Murray, Camdyn Neal, Andrew Parish, Olivia (Liv) Price, William Saunders, Briana (Bri) Smith, MaRhea Smith, Grady Spurlock, Jaxin Stancombe, Taylor Steffey, Brianna Stephens, Kinlei Stoltenberg, Kaylee Stone, Anthony Studer, Lucas Swanger, Lillian Symsick, Alexander Thompson, Kayzia Thornley, Bryce Tudor, Ariyah Tufts, Lillian Waxter and Rudy Webel

Sophomores: Alivia Adams, Leo Atwell, Zoie Ball, Brooklyn Bertoch, Caden Bishop, Anna Blanton, Destiny Britt, Alexis Cameron, Kylie Carroll, Destini Conrad, Isabella Conway, Brianna Coulter, Thomas Cox, Sophia Curry, Gage Cyrus, Lucas Davidson, Giavanna DiPuccio-Resendiz, Landyn Dodd, Lindsay Dulin, Micah Finley, Nicolas Gatten, Treyvin Glasser, Brady Gretzinger, Jayden Hall, Autumn Haynes, Travis Hicks, Kennedy Hofer, Santanna Hoffman, Chase Hunsinger, Chloe Jeffers, Lacy Jessee, Mason Johnson, Lola Kerrick, Kaiden Koch, Layla Krizan, Joshua Maglott, Marisa Manlet, Christopher Manley, Hayden Mapes, Darius Marsh, Malachi Marsh, Taylor McKown, Mateus McMullen, Tyler Medley, JulieAnna Miller, Melissa Moore, Camden Moysi, Cadence Mutter, Ashley Nikolaus, Bryce Ocheltree, Aubrey Ohi, Ravino Pena, Branson Porter, Ellie Powell, Arielle Prater, Gage Ramey, Logan Rausch, Sarah Ringer, Corbin Rogers, Isabel Rush, Zackary Sanders Winters, Emily Saunders, Kylie Schaefer, Autumn Schroeder, Peyton Schulte, Zoi (Zee) Sealey, Colton Shaw, Lincoln Shepherd, Kristopher Sutton, Kaylee Thompson, Ariyah Tucker, Lyla Walker, Alaina Washington, Kyleigh Washington, Daniel Weightman, Kylee Werner, Emma Wilds, Evan Williams, Knight Wolfe and Baylee Yost

Freshmen: Sophia Allen, Lillie Baker, Roger Bartley, Hudson Bays, Isaiah Blust, Aniyah Bond, James (Jr) Broyles, Deanna Chipner, Caliyah Clapper, Alec Day, Kai Dean, Ariel Foote, Kaleia Gonder, Izaiah Gordon, Kayden Graf, Kendall Graham, Livia Grove, Anna Hannah, Amerah Reign (Amerah) Hapin, Izabella Harris, Sydney Hazlewood, Anyla Hence, Jaxson Henry, Sarah Holt, David Hudson, Alexander Jenkins, Payton Kellner, Gage Kraetzig, Zaydien Longboat, Cailyn Lozier, Alexander (Alex) Maddy, Aerianna Massey, Ayden McGlasson, Taja Melton, Cerenity Montgomery, Rhiana Myers, Landon Parsons, Landen Pfund, Isabella Putney, Rhiana Reynolds, Gracie Schaade, Jaiden Shaffer, Adrian Siedel, Coltin Smith, Max Thomas, Elle Washington, Alex Wendland, Maci Whitesel, Phillip Wiggins and James Zaletel

Eighth Grade: Anna Ankrum, Abigail Anschutz, Makenna Berkshire, Lainey Binns, Camden Conrad, Carson Cook, Brennan Coulter, Lucas Eckenwiler, Hannah Evans, Gavin Faith, Aubree Fisher, Jack Foster, Bella Guardiola, Isabelle Hall, Kordell Hardy, McKenna Haynes, Kylee Herrick, Arenal Hunsinger, Bryce Jacobs, Lily Ann Klecka, Madison Kiewer, Brandon Maglott, Abigail (Abby) McWilliams, Gabreilla Mickouma, Jaylonna Nelson, Daniel Norris, Cameron Ousley, Tavian Porter, Savanna Ransom, Miah Reid, Avery Rust, Trace Schafer, Kaysten Sly, Mackynzie Smith, Nevaeh Spurgeon, Leah Symsick, Drayden Tschantz and Alden Washington

Seventh Grade: Karleigh Anderson, Zayne Baker, Nola Bishop, Brody Brandt, Ky-Lyn Byerly, Katrina Carson, Amelia Clayburn, Lataiden Collins, Baylee Cushard, Alanic Dasher, David Elliott, Alyse Emery, Daevon Endicott, Peyton Foote, Jayden Gushard, Dillon Herder, Troy Horn, Sadie Jones, Gabrielle Kline, Kaeleb Llamas,

Kiara Logan-Wakeley, Declan Maddy, Landon McFarland, Aziyah Mcknight, Faith Metcalf, Brooklynn Moyer, Kathryn Myers, Marielle Peters, Casey Rachel, Matthew Risner, Addisyn Shoppell, Matthew Smith, Natalie Smith, Ivy Stillwell, Vincent Studer, Aiden Whitmore and Brennen Wilson

Sixth Grade: Faith Barney, Tanner Bays, Jeffrey Brooks, Daniel Carpenter, Paityn Erow, Lauren Foster, Frehley Gushard, Asherah Hapin, Erin Johnson, Cody King, Taelyn Kirsch, Liam Kiser, Branson Littleton, Milo McCann, Abrianna Micallef, Gavin Moore, Lelia Myers, William Owens, Mileena Porter-Race, Mason Putney, Xavier Roberts, Addisyn Ruckman, Brystol Salser, Hagen Sauder, Clayton Shepherd, Kemonie Sims, Lorelai Sly, Shawn Sydnor Jr., Seth Utt and Myah Williams

Fifth Grade: Brandon Amstutz, Aaron (Aj) Baker, Corinne Beal, Madalyn Best, Benton Brandt, Braxton Brandt, Aria Brewster, Kaiden Chan, Delaney Conway, Quinton Davis, Madelinbe Dunlap, Naomi Houston, Landon Hunt, Jazalyn Joplin, Kaliyah Keith, James Lang, Peyton Meek, Baylee Mitchell, Bentley Moore, Clayton Mount, Kellen O'Brien, Joseph (Joe) Reddy, Mason Rigenbach, Tyler Salyers, Isaiah Smith, Carter Smollen, Hailey Snelling, Emily Spillman, Kristopher Washington, Kristopher Washington and Michael Williams

Fourth Grade: Elena Allen, Kylie Arnett, Embree Baker, Ayden Bara, Preslee Barney, Kenzie Bee, Julian Bertoch, Jonah Blust, Nevaeh Bond, Bexley Brandt, Chloe Bridges, Kyson Brinker, Lillian Brooks, Maddox Brown, Steven Burnell, Brogan Buzzard, Kyrie Byrd, Amelia Calhoun, Ania Carroll, Lillian Chambers, Jayce Clark, Jessi Conway, Kylee Cushard, Mahlaya Davis, Max Duffner, Mason Edmiston, Allie Fellure, Jaxx Gamble, Layla Gushard, Lillian Hay, Gracie Henderson, Aiden Howell, Kimbri Hughes, Arielle Jackson, Arielle Jackson, Noel Johnson, Marquise Jones, Kinsey Kirkpatrick, Grace Kunz, Na'Riah Likely, Jase Little, Paige Mathie, Kinnidi McPeck, Abel Miller, Hunter Moore, Marlie Morganstern, Maicie Moss, Jakob Moyer, Ellie Neal, Lucas Perry, Tyler Pezzuti, Nakevia Powell, Zachary Pryor, Zakkiah Pryor, Toby Ransom, Callie Shoffstall, Lexxy Shrock, Kenton Smith, Owen St. Clair, Blakely Swanstrom, Rilynn Turner, Noah Tuttle, Brynn Wheatner, Jacario Williams and Mackenzie Wood

Third Grade: Lilyahna Adkins, Ryleigh Adkins, Zamir Ajian, Albara Alanani, Blake Binns, Karson Bishop, Noah Blankenship, Shaelynn Bond, Nevaeh Bostic, Kymber Bowen, Josiah Brammer, Lyla Bristow, Liam Brock, Paityn Brooks, Maddie Burkholder, Kiryn Clouse, Jah'keise Colvin, Tanner Drake, Aubrey Elliott, Mason Enix, Gavin Fellure, Jekhi Finley, Paislee Finley, Bradley Fisher, Stephen Fisher, Mercy Foncannon, Ezekiel Gamble, Olivia Given, Beckham Gleason, Harrison Greving, Chris Haynes, Josephine Hill, Melia Hogard, Emma Horsley, Lily Hudson, Ma'Leaha Huffman, Daphne Ingles, Ammity Jackson, Nevaeh Kelly, Zaniya Kelly, Scarlet Kindinger, Myles Klecka, Madilyn Kline, Adrian Knight, Braydon Lawrence, Ra'Mari Lee, Corbin Lentz, Ava Lewis, Ashton Longboat, Lillian McMasters, Bailey McQuillen, Kennady Miller, Landon Mitchell, Mason Moore, Lincoln Morrow, Kylie Murray, Juni Parker, Lillyana Parnell, Cameron Parsley, Kainen Partin, Zeighla Perry, Karsyn Pifher, Connor Pryor, Amiyah Radcliffe, Karson Rakes, Remington Ruley, Aaron Shabbir, Karsyn Sigafoos, Zayne Simpkins, Marlee Smith, Novalene Smith, Kaylie Stevens, Austin Stoots, Jace Stout, Jacob Sturgell, McKinley Tackett, Charlie Vansickle, Evelyn Wake, Cassidy Wilson, Makenzie Woodhull and Brynlee Young



**Recycling Today
to Improve Tomorrow**

Formerly Milliron Recycling

BUYERS OF:

aluminum . stainless steel . brass . all scrap iron

commercial & industrial pick-up

2384 St. Rt. 39 | Monday - Friday 8 - 5 | Sat. 8 - 12

419 - 747 - 6522 | 800 - 921 - 0054



Mackinac Bridge, MI • Photo By Mark Shutt

News Briefs in Education

Vance Turesson of Lexington was among the more than 350 students who were named to the Thiel College Dean's List for the spring 2025 semester. Turesson is studying Media & Journal TV Radio & Online Media.

A student must attain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.4 on a 4.0 scale while being enrolled full time to be eligible for the list.

Thiel College is located in Greenville, PA,

★

Chris Weilbacker was named to The University of Alabama Dean's List for Spring Semester 2025.

A total of 14,289 students enrolled during Spring Semester 2025 at The University of Alabama were named to the list with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the president's list with an academic record of 4.0 (all A's). These driven students are making waves across UA's more than 70 undergraduate programs and 12 colleges and schools.

★

Local students have been named to the dean's list for the spring 2025 semester at Baldwin Wallace University. The list recognizes students who earn a grade point average of 3.8 or higher while enrolled in 12 or more graded hours during the semester.

Included on the list are Austin Fisher, a graduate of Lexington High School majoring in sport management; Jack Hiebel, a graduate of Lexington High School majoring in marketing; and Zach Turlo, a graduate of Lexington High School majoring in pre-engineering.

★

Miami University students who are ranked in the top twenty percent of undergraduate students within each division for the 2025 spring semester have been named to the dean's list recognizing academic excellence.

Local students on the list are Isaac Swogger of Ontario, Giana Camarata of Mansfield, Elizabeth Hamler of Mansfield, Emma Shaffer of Ontario, Nathaniel Ivy of Mansfield and Allie Parker of Lexington.

Miami University students ranked in the top three percent of undergraduate students within each division for the spring 2025 semester have been named to the president's list recognizing academic excellence.

On the list are Ben Pryor of Mansfield, Jenah Calderhead of Mansfield, Shelby Zimmerman of Ontario and Nico Laser of Mansfield.

PHEAA announces scholarship for college-bound students

The Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA) encourages 2025-'26 college students, graduate students and their parents in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia to enter to win a \$2,500 no essay scholarship sweepstakes through the Keystone Student Loan Program.

"We're pleased to offer this scholarship sweepstakes to our neighboring states," said Senator Wayne Fontana chair of the PHEAA Board of Directors. "We're incredibly proud to offer the Keystone Student Loan Program, which enables students to cover the gap between financial aid and the cost of tuition with an affordable private loan. The winners of this scholarship sweepstakes will find an even easier way to reduce cost of college at no additional cost to themselves."

Anyone who opts in to receive communications, which will include tips on planning for and paying for college until Dec. 15, will be entered into the scholarship sweepstakes. A total of 12 winners will be selected in August and in December this year.

"We're pleased to offer this scholarship sweepstakes to college students, grad students, and their parents in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Virginia, and West Virginia," said James Steeley, PHEAA President & CEO. "There's no essay required so anyone can enter to win a \$2,500 scholarship in just minutes. Perhaps even more importantly, those same entrants will receive information to help them plan for and pay for higher education."

Visit KeystoneStudentLoans.org/ss to enter.

PHEAA also serves millions of students through its loan guaranty, loan servicing, financial aid processing and other programs. PHEAA conducts student loan servicing operations nationally.

Your local agent for home & auto

Call me for a quote today



Brian R Gates Ins Agcy Inc
Brian Gates, Agent

2021 Park Avenue West, Suite 100
Ontario, OH 44906-2259

Bus: 419-529-3888
brian@gatesagency.com
www.gatesagency.com



State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, State Farm Indemnity Company, State Farm Fire and Casualty Company, State Farm General Insurance Company, Bloomington, IL

State Farm County Mutual Insurance Company of Texas, State Farm Lloyds, Richardson, TX

State Farm Florida Insurance Company, Winter Haven, FL

SHF grants \$196,000 in health-related scholastic awards

The Samaritan Hospital Foundation (SHF) announced its scholastic awards to local graduates residing in Ashland County, UH Samaritan Medical Center employees and their immediate family members. To be eligible, applicants must be currently enrolled or accepted in an accredited program in the areas of nursing, medicine or allied medical studies.

This year, Samaritan Hospital Foundation once again increased its support for the next generation of nursing and allied medical students by increasing total grants to the highest amount to date, reaching \$196,000 in scholastic awards supporting 54 local students — more than a \$56,000 increase over last year.

The foundation gave several different types of awards this year. The Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing Alumni Scholastic Award was awarded to Haley Bergosh; the Gounder & Ponnammal Scholastic Award went to Tiffany Whytsell; the Elizabeth Myers Mitchell Scholastic Award went to Cayla McQuillen and Chloe Smith; and the Alice E Stinchcomb Award was given to Emma Agee.

The Nancy J. Stockwell Scholastic Award is helping four students with their education this year: Allison Barr, Nicole Beattie, Lanndrie Cooke and Andrew Fulk.

The SHF North Central State College Scholastic Award went to three deserving students: Gingerine Beard, Alanna Campbell, and Reagan Hayes. The Dr. Philip E. Myers Medical Scholastic Award went to Cody Luke. The Paul R. Myers Medical Scholastic Award went to Tyler Radziszewski.

Three students received the Samaritan Hospital Foundation Presidential Scholastic Award: Maria Welch, Misty Welch and Morgan Welch.

Forty-three students received Samaritan Hospital Foundation Scholastic Awards, including Allison Barr, Griffin Adkins, Ramey Adkins, Emma Agee, Haley Bergosh, Alanna Campbell, Bailey Davis, Frances Dinsmore, Maddison Dolenga, Emma Drugan, Yijie Feng, Gavin Finger, Clowie Flinner, Emma Flinner, Emily Fry, Sidney Fry, Chloe Ganson, Bryn Grabowski, Ellie Hageman, Reagan Hayes, Zoe Hunt, Rylee Kline, Jianmei Lefelhoc, Aubrianna Lugli, Cayla McQuillen, McKinley Mendenhall, Emily Musgrove, Bailey Parsons, Grace Rivenburgh, Cameron Slotter, Erica Van Stee, Olivia Szmania, Jessica Wally, Grant Wallery, Abbie Ward, Alena Wasielewski, Aliya Watson, Tiffany Whytsell, Whitney Wilson, Emily Workman, Elysia Zehner, Alayna Zeigler and Maxwell Zywic.



THE 15TH ANNUAL KINGWOOD 5K was held June 14, with over 300 registered and 289 participants. Top ten finishers were first, Alex Culler, 16:38.51; second, Ashton Drozda, 18:49.96; third, Emma McCarron, 18:55.91; fourth, Bryce Steindl, 19:20.59; fifth, Tyrell Dowdell, 19:22.52; sixth, Landon Strausbaugh, 19:23.92; seventh, Caleb Satterfield, 19:39.70; eighth, Holden Gabriel, 20:00.48; ninth, Ashley Orewiler, 20:20.64; and tenth, Phillip Leineweber, 20:36.77. For full results visit ohioraceday.com/Results.php.

Annual hot dog eating contest — quite an interesting “sport”

By Kris Leiter

What defines a “sport?”

Merriam-Webster’s dictionary says, “A physical activity engaged in for pleasure, or a specific activity like an athletic contest.”

How about a timed food event?

The Nathan’s Famous International Hot Dog Eating Contest takes place every fourth of July weekend at Coney Island in Brooklyn, New York.

The contest started in 1972 and it’s quite the event. I haven’t watched this for years, but I was an avid fan years ago. The introduction of contestants is quite humorous, as some dress in entertaining clothes. Some dance a little on their way to the stage, with each contestant bringing a unique flavor of their personality to the stage.

My guy is Joey Chestnut, a 16-time champion. He was the man that was favored to possibly beat Takeru Kobayashi years ago. The standing record back at that time was 63 hot dogs in 10 minutes.

In 1996, Chestnut devoured 66 hot dogs, which broke the record. He still holds the contest record with 76 hot dogs and buns in 2021.

You may say that its not really a sport, but it depends on the viewpoint. To the casual viewer of the annual event, it may appear as a one-off contest, but that can be quite misleading.

Professional eating is an actual job. Where was this job when I was a kid? I missed my calling.

The correct term, and yes, there is a coined title: Major League Eating (MLE). These people literally get paid to compete to eat.

There are contests all throughout the year and it does take some training to achieve the level of endurance some of these people possess.

So, grab the family, fire up the grill this holiday and gather round the television and enjoy the show. It will air on ESPN.



TourismOhio and HOMAGE team-up to launch retro “Ohio, The Heart of it All” t-shirt

TourismOhio and Ohio-based HOMAGE are teaming up to celebrate state pride, nostalgia and the power of place with the launch of a new retro t-shirt featuring the iconic “Ohio, The Heart of it All” logo. The vintage-inspired design brings back the classic logo that originally helped define the Buckeye State’s brand from 1984–2001.

The retro design is a nod to Ohio’s rich branding legacy and a fresh expression of the state’s renewed identity. Since reintroducing “Ohio, The Heart of it All” in 2023, TourismOhio has been working to expand the reach of the brand and deepen its emotional connection with residents and visitors alike. This collaboration with HOMAGE is the latest step in that journey—introducing the brand to a new generation of consumers through the lens of storytelling, design, and shared pride.

“Ohio isn’t just where we live — it’s who we are,” said Sarah Wickham, State Tourism Director. “Tourism touches every corner of our state. From local restaurants and hotels to restored theatres, ballparks, and family-owned shops, it supports thousands of small businesses and helps make our communities more vibrant and welcoming for visitors and residents. We’re thrilled to see the Heart of it All brand continue to resonate and reach new audiences.”

Tourism is one of Ohio’s largest employment sectors and plays a central role in shaping thriving downtowns and lively public spaces. HOMAGE, known for its vintage aesthetic and Ohio roots, is the perfect partner to help tell this story in a way that blends style with state pride.

“As an Ohio-born brand, we’ve always believed in telling stories that matter—and Ohio’s story is one of grit, generosity, and great pride,” said HOMAGE founder and CEO Ryan Vesler. “We’re proud to collaborate with TourismOhio on a design that honors the past while embracing the energy and opportunity of Ohio today.”

In recognition of the importance of tourism to Ohio’s growth and vitality, 10 percent of sales from the shirt will support TourismOhio’s mission to promote the state as the best place to live, learn, work, and visit.

The shirt is available now through HOMAGE retail and online platforms. Operating within Ohio’s Department of Development, TourismOhio works to showcase all Ohio has to offer as a place of adventure and a place of promise.

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

5/25 EZ

\$3.00 OFF
Regular Admission
(Ages 7 years+)

TRC3

\$2.00 OFF
Children's Admission
(3-6 years)

TRC2

Valid for up to 6 people with coupon. May not be used in combination with any other offer. Expires 11/30/2024.

267 S. LIGHTNER RD, PORT CLINTON, OH
17 MILES WEST FROM CEDAR POINT
1-800-521-2660

AFRICANSAFARIWILDLIFEPARK.COM
The Midwest's Original Drive-Thru Safari!

LOOKING BACK • THIS WEEK IN TRIBUNE-COURIER HISTORY

June 29, '95



Lady Ram cage camp award winners

There were eight winners in the afternoon session of the 1995 Lady Ram Basketball Camp. Pictured are, front row, Amanda Pifher, seventh grade layup champ; Aubrey Larrick, seventh grade shooting champ; Rita Mullins, eighth grade shooting champ; and Carrie Ritchie, coach's award winner; back, Megan Pease, Outstanding Camper Award; Megan Jacobs, Hustle Award; Lora Wisenbarger, ninth grade layup and shooting champ; and Andrea Gerich, seventh grade layup champion and Hot Shot champion.

In the morning session, the layup champions were Allie Finn, third and fourth grade; Erica Wisenbarger, fifth grade; and Jodi Antrican, sixth grade. Jackie Anderson, third and fourth grade; Andrea Hallock, fifth grade; and Jodi Antrican, sixth grade, were the shooting champions. The Hustle Award went to Jessica Ward, Jessica Peroska won the Coach's Award and the Outstanding Camper was Jodi Antrican.

July 3, '87



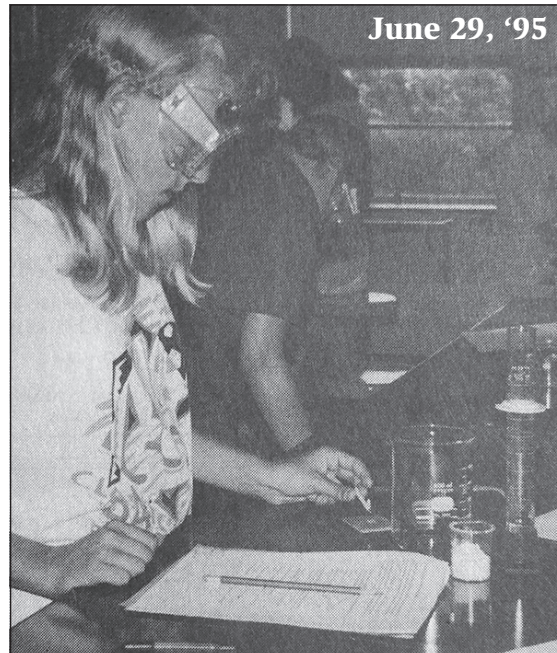
OUTSTANDING SQUAD in the senior division went to the Madison ninth grade white team. They are (front) Angela McLain, Renee Ruehle, (middle) Crystal Goines, Linda Them, (back) Jill Greenawalt and Abby Boals.



June 29, '95

STEVE LEEDY of Ontario weighs in the berries picked by our photographer George Billman on a trip down to Hickerson's Strawberry Farm last week.

June 29, '95



TIFFANY GRANT, WHO WILL BE a freshman at Lexington High School in the fall, conducts an experiment using baking soda and a candle during Chemistry Can Be Fun at Ashland University.



Scan to Subscribe
to the FREE
Weekly Issue

Or Visit
<http://eepurl.com/hnS9N9>

USDA Farm Service Agency County Committees accepting nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for farmers and ranchers to serve on local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees. These committees make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. All nomination forms for the 2025 election must be postmarked or received in the local FSA office by Aug. 1, 2025.

"Serving on an FSA county committee provides producers with a unique opportunity to have a say in local farm program decisions, ensuring FSA policies work, as intended, for producers at the county level," said FSA Administrator Bill Beam.

Elections for committee members will occur in certain Local Administrative Areas (LAA). LAAs are elective areas for FSA committees in a single county or multi-county jurisdiction and may include LAAs that are focused on an urban or suburban area. Visit fsa.usda.gov/elections to determine if a LAA is up for election.

Agricultural producers may be nominated for candidacy for the county committee if they participate or cooperate in a USDA program and reside in the LAA that is up for election this year.

A cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching operation to FSA, even if they have not applied or received program benefits.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others and qualifying organizations may also nominate candidates. USDA encourages all eligible producers to nominate, vote and hold office.

Nationwide, more than 7,700 dedicated members of the agricultural community serve on FSA county committees. The committees are made up of three to 11 members who serve three-year terms. Committee members play a key role in how FSA delivers disaster recovery, conservation, commodity and price support programs, as well as making decisions on county office employment and other agricultural issues.

FSA urban county committees work to promote urban, indoor and other emerging agricultural production practices. Members are nominated and elected to serve by local urban producers in the same jurisdiction. Members provide outreach to ensure urban producers understand USDA programs, serve as the voice of other urban producers and assist in program implementation.

The 27 cities with urban county committees are listed at fsa.usda.gov/elections and farmers.gov/urban.

Producers should contact their local FSA office to register and find out how to get involved in their county's election, including if their LAA is up for election this year. To be considered, a producer must be registered and sign an FSA-669A nomination form. This form and other information about FSA county committee elections are available at fsa.usda.gov/elections. All nomination forms for the 2025 election must be postmarked or received in the local USDA Service Center by the Aug. 1, 2025, deadline. Election ballots will be mailed to eligible voters in November 2025.

"The Wizard of Oz" coming to Renaissance

This summer the Renaissance Theatre will present *The Wizard of Oz*.

Performances will be Saturday, July 26 at 7:30 pm; Sunday, July 27, at 2:30 pm; Saturday, Aug. 2 at 7:30 pm; and Sunday, Aug. 3 at 2:30 pm.

Directed by Michael Thomas, with associate artistic director Ryan Shealy, musical director Kelly Knowlton the show brings to life the journey of Dorothy, the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, the Cowardly Lion and Toto, as they search for home, heart, courage and wisdom in the magical Land of Oz.

The cast stars McKenna Stoffer as Dorothy, Bobby Morrow as Scarecrow, Jacob Poiner as Tin Man, Robert Hardin-Leeth as Cowardly Lion, Leah Gesouras as the Wicked Witch of the West, Emily Bare as Glinda and Beau Roberts as the Wizard of Oz.

Additional cast members include over 20 ensemble performers from the region.

On July 27, a free picnic will be held following the performance. There will be face painting, food trucks and more.

Tickets start at \$15, with special value-added date night and family night packages available.

Tickets are available at www.rentickets.org, at 419-522-2726, or in person at the Renaissance Theatre Box Office, 138 Park Avenue West, Mansfield.

CLASSIFIEDS

LEGAL NOTICE

The following is a succinct summary of the legislation adopted by the Council of the City of Ontario, at their regular meeting held on June 18, 2025.

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. 23-13 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1519 FIREWORKS, SECTION 1519.04 POSSESSION, SALE, OR DISCHARGE PROHIBITED EXCEPTIONS, SUBSECTION (h) PURCHASE, USE, AND LOCAL REGULATION OF CONSUMER-GRADE FIREWORKS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

ORDINANCE NO. 25-16 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 509, DISORDERLY CONDUCT AND PEACE DISTURBANCE, BY ADDING SECTION 509.13 LOITERING, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Cathy VanAuker
Clerk of Council
City of Ontario, OH
(T-C 6-26, 7-3 '25) 30L

**View, Print
& Save
Past Issues
at www.tribune-courier.com**

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

**First Federal
Bank of Ohio**

THE RIGHT LOAN. THE RIGHT BANK.

1728 W. Fourth Street
Mansfield, Ohio 44906
Phone: 419-529-4687
Fax: 419-529-4154

landerson@firstfederalbankofohio.bank Branch Manager - Loan Officer



Lisa Anderson
NMLS 618735

LIVE@LUNCH

2025 SUMMER COURTYARD SERIES

	MUSIC	FOOD
JUL 11	Tom's Kitchen Table	Panchos Tacos
JUL 25	Luke Watson	Grunt Grub
AUG 8	EKG	Mad Meltz
AUG 22	Jevan Cole	Black Willow
SEP 5	Tom's Kitchen Table	Cub Country
SEP 19	Emily Raff	Exclusively Yours

ALL PERFORMANCES WILL BE HELD 11:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

LIVE PERFORMANCES | FOOD TRUCKS
MECHANICS BANK | 2 S. MAIN STREET | MANSFIELD