

Medina County

Board of Developmental Disabilities

The Mission of the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is to promote and empower individuals with developmental disabilities to live, learn, work, and socialize as citizens in the community.



June 26, 2023

The MCBDD Board Meeting will be held in Board Conference Rooms 1 & 2. Attendees are requested to follow all posted safety guidelines.

**Regular Board Meeting: 5:00pm
Executive Session Following General Session**

Link to livestream available on mcbdd.org/Events tab/Event Calendar

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
June 26, 2023

- I. Call to Order (5:00 p.m.)**
- II. General Session**
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - B. Mission Statement Affirmation**
 - C. Approval of Minutes**
 - 1. Approval of the Minutes from the Donated Funds Committee Meeting, May 9, 2023
 - 2. Approval of the Minutes from the Ethics Committee Meeting, May 15, 2023
 - 3. Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting, May 15, 2023
 - D. Presentation**
 - 1. The Society Recognition
 - E. Old Business-No Old Business**
 - F. New Business**
 - 1. Appropriation Increase-Cap Projects Resolution #16-23 (ACTION)
 - 2. Meyer Design Playground Resurface Resolution #17-23 (ACTION)
 - 3. Appropriation Transfer Resolution #18-23 (ACTION)
 - 4. ProDoor Door Replacement Resolution #19-23 (ACTION)
 - 5. Legacy Roofing Resolution #20-23 (ACTION)
 - 6. Appropriation Increase Resolution #21-23 (ACTION)
 - 7. Abolishment and Creation of Positions Resolution #22-23 (ACTION)
 - 8. Excess Property Resolution #23-23 (ACTION)
 - G. Reports Review**
 - a. Superintendent's Report
 - b. Financial Reports:
 - Revenue
 - Expenditures
 - Cash Balance
 - Cash Flow
 - c. Voucher Reports & Resolution #24-23 (ACTION)
 - d. Enrollee Statistics Report
 - e. Personnel Control Report
 - f. Focus Area 1 Dashboard
- III. Open Forum (Board Policy Ch. 2, Sec. 4 D)**
 - The Board maintains discretion to hold an Open Forum
 - Five (5) minutes allotted per speaker
 - Forty-five (45) minutes, total of (9) speakers
- IV. Executive Session**
- V. Adjournment**

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2023

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Meeting Minutes

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Donated Funds Committee Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2023

I. Call to Order

The MCBDD Donated Funds Committee Meeting was called to order by Committee member, Mark Gryskiewicz, at 4:38 p.m. Other Committee members present included the following: Lisa Dreaden, Patti Hetkey, Carey Bates, and Annie Finnerty. Dave Hartman (Chair) was not present.

II. Review of Donor Scholarship Application and Discussion

Ms. Hetkey briefly reviewed the scholarship requirements. Ms. Hetkey stated there were 11 applications to review this year. Committee members each presented their top applicant choice. Committee members shared their thoughts about what made the applicant the “stand out” choice this year. All agreed the applicant’s current involvement in activities with people with developmental disabilities was outstanding and worthy of the intent and spirit of the scholarship. As all Committee members were in agreement, applicant #5 was selected as this year’s 2023 Donor Scholarship recipient. The recipient will be notified prior to the May 15, 2023 Board meeting, at which time the name will be released and recognized.

III. Adjournment

A Motion was made by Ms. Dreaden, seconded by Mr. Gryskiewicz, to adjourn the Donated Funds Committee Meeting at 4:43 p.m. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

FOR APPROVAL

Committee Chair
Medina County Board of DD

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Ethics Committee Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2023

I. Call to Order

The Ethics Committee Meeting was called to order by Wayne Carroll at 4:40 p.m. The Committee Chair (Ann Salek) was not present (excused absence). A Motion was made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Thomas Fain to elect Ms. Thomas Fain as Chair. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

Others present included the following: Annie Finnerty, Shannon Lees, Stacey Maleckar, Dave Hartman, Keisha Thomas, Bobby Richards, and Rose Koty.

II. Review of Ethics Reports

Ms. Finnerty stated that there is one potential conflict on the Contract Conflict of Interest Report. It is with Medina Creative Accessibility (MCA); they provide services to a family member of an MCBDD Board Member. This will be monitored in regard to the Board Member’s ability to vote on issues or contracts related to MCA.

Ms. Finnerty reviewed the Staff Conflict of Interest Report. She stated that while there are a few potential conflicts that have been reported, the staff involved are not making monetary decisions and therefore are not a concern. Most of the staff who reported a potential conflict are also independent providers.

Mr. Carroll asked if there are any potential conflicts regarding Special Olympics contracts. Ms. Finnerty stated that the Special Olympics Coordinator is an MCBDD staff and is not involved in monetary decisions so there is no conflict.

A Motion was made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Ms. Thomas Fain, to accept the Conflict of Interest Reports as presented. The Motion passed with a unanimous “yes” vote.

III. Adjournment

A Motion was made by Ms. Thomas Fain, seconded by Mr. Carroll, to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

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Committee Chair
Medina County Board of DD

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2023

I. Call to Order

The MCBDD Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Board President Wayne Carroll at 5:03 p.m. Other Board Members present included the following: Dave Hartman, Andy Olah (arrived at 5:15 p.m.), Sandra Thomas Fain, Lisa Dreaden, and Mark Gryskiewicz. Ann Salek was excused.

Staff present included the following: Stacey Maleckar, Annie Finnerty, Shannon Lees, Bobby Richards, Patti Hetkey, Sabrina Johnson, Carey Bates, Ed Dryer, Celeste Bajorek, John Krebs, Marcy Batke, Paula Majoros, and Rose Koty.

Others present included the following: Keisha Thomas and Jenna Shubrowsky (and mother and grandfather).

II. General Session

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. Mission Statement Affirmation

The Mission Statement was recited.

C. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting, April 24, 2023

A Motion was made by Ms. Thomas Fain, seconded by Ms. Dreaden, to approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on April 24, 2023. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

D. Presentation

1. 2023 Donor Scholarship

Dave Hartman introduced this year’s Donor Scholarship recipient, Jenna Shubrowsky. Jenna is graduating from Medina High School this spring after spending much of her time dedicated to individuals with disabilities. Jenna has participated in the following hands-on endeavors: coaching Special Olympics, member of Club Hope (peer suicide prevention organization), works at both LLA Therapy and the ABA Clinic, and volunteers at Helping Hands Preschool. In the fall, Jenna will attend Walsh University where she will study to become an Intervention Specialist. Congratulations Jenna!

2. Transition from EI to Board Services

Celeste Bajorek, Director of Children’s Services, shared the following information with the Board in regard to the Transition from EI to Board Services:

- A “roadmap” of age ranges and some available services.
- The Work Group discussion process, outcomes, roles/responsibilities, and timelines.

- The guiding principle: To ensure families have information on services available from MCBDD during all of their transition processes and information on how to connect to them.
- The process of communication between MCBDD and parents.

A discussion was held regarding how to assist parents of young children who are struggling. Mr. Carroll recommended in-servicing the SSAs on these situations. Ms. Bajorek stated that she will look into a “Mental Health First Aid” type of training.

E. Old Business – There was no Old Business

F. New Business

1. Language Learning Associates Contract Resolution #14-23

A Motion was made by Mr. Olah, seconded by Mr. Gryskiewicz, to approve Resolution #14-23 to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Language Learning Associates, LLC (dba LLA Therapy) for the following services: **Speech Therapy, Physical Therapy, Physical Therapy Assistant, and Occupational Therapy**. The contract will be effective from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024 for an amount not to exceed \$282,000.00. Mr. Hartman asked if state licensure information should be required rather than “upon request.” Ms. Bates stated that we are not responsible for monitoring their licensure, but we do require that they provide it if asked. Mr. Hartman asked if the same applies to the required insurance coverages. Ms. Bates stated that we do require they provide us with an insurance certificate that contains the following: coverage for the period of time the contract covers, for the amount listed in the contract, and with MCBDD listed as an additional insured. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

G. Reports Review

- Superintendent’s Report – Ms. Maleckar reviewed the Superintendent’s Report and addressed questions from the Board.
 - Ms. Batke gave an update on the Toddler Play Group at Mugrage Park. The event is being held on May 22, at 10:00 a.m., and is the third one (rain date is May 24). It is open to all toddlers in Medina County. This event has been advertised more than the previous two.
- Financial Reports – Ms. Bates reviewed the following:
 - Revenue
 - Sales Tax: \$7,471.85 (1st QFY23).
 - Rollback/Homestead: \$1,045,012.64 (1st Half CY23).
 - Other Revenue: OSC, HD Rebate (\$81.00).
 - State Grants: Attorney General Safety Grant \$2,500.00 (towards three additional cameras).
 - Donations: None.
 - Expenses
 - Fees: State Administration Fee \$86,285.13 (3rd Q23).
 - Utilities: No electric paid in April (\$10,807.06 paid on 5.1.23).
 - Med. Match: \$1,136,112.69 (4th QFY23), Five DC (\$37,608.89), Provider Retention Match (\$117,033.47), PDGS Audit Finding (\$645.16).
 - PY Carryover
 - \$24,066.00 – Mostly Capital Improvements.

- Cash Balance
 - Fund Balance: \$39,123,247.47.
- Cash Flow
 - Monthly Cash Flow: \$1,131,169.78 use of fund balance.
- Voucher Report
 - Questions from the Board were addressed by Ms. Bates.

A Motion was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Dreaden, to approve Resolution #15-23 to approve the Financial Reports for April, 2023. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

- MCBDD Enrollee Statistics Report
 - Individuals residing in an ICF are not included in the Board stats. Services for these individuals are funded by the state (Medicaid) where the Board services are funded by waiver or local funds. We do get notified of MUIs for individuals residing in an ICF and they are included in the annual MUI report.
- Personnel Control Report
 - Ms. Maleckar reviewed the vacant positions.
- Action Plan Update – Focus Area 2
 - Ms. Maleckar reviewed the Focus Area 2 Dashboard. All is going well.

III. Open Forum

Mr. Carroll asked Mr. Hartman to summarize what he learned at the 2023 OACB Spring Conference. Mr. Hartman stated it was worthwhile and he received good information. He stated that many of the presentations are available on the OACB Member Connect site and encouraged other Board Members to attend the conference either in-person or virtually. Ms. Maleckar stated the next OACB Conference will be held in the beginning of December and will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. If any Board Members do not have a Member Connect account, please see Ms. Lees for assistance.

Mr. Carroll asked Ms. Maleckar to update the Board on HB 1 and the state budget. Ms. Maleckar stated that HB 1 is now dead. She stated the following in regard to the state budget:

- The Governor had proposed \$16.00 per hour in year one for DSPs and \$17.00 per hour in year two. The House submitted as \$17.00 per hour for year one and \$18.00 per hour for year two.
- County Boards have been supporting providers with the 6.5% retention payments and are looking at increasing to 7.5%.
- DODD is advocating for parents to be able to be paid providers for family members as was allowed with Appendix K. We are concerned about the parameters around this.
- Language was also in the budget around having an individual with disabilities serve on the Board; the individual would fill a vacancy, not take the seat of an existing Board Member whose term is ending and the Board Member wishes to stay on. There was also language around the appointing authority being able to submit an explanation to the state if for some reason they are not able to appoint an individual with a disability to a vacant Board seat.

Ms. Lees stated that the Board was given invitations to both preschool and high school graduation on May 19: preschool at 10:00 a.m. and high school at 1:00 p.m. The Board was asked to let Ms. Lees know if they would be attending either or both sessions.

IV. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

V. Adjournment

A Motion was made by Mr. Hartman, seconded by Ms. Thomas Fain, to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. The Motion was approved with a unanimous “yes” vote.

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Board Secretary
Medina County Board of DD

New Business



RESOLUTION #16-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

APPROPRIATION INCREASE – SALES TAX CAPITAL PROJECTS

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Medina County Auditor to make the following appropriation increase:

INCREASE		AMOUNT
2856-9696-50590	SALES TAX CAP CONT CONTR	\$8,800.00

2023 Budget Appropriation increase: 28569696-50590 will increase from \$23,200.00 to \$32,000.00.

Explanation:

For the purpose of increasing appropriations for the capital sales tax contract project account. The quarterly sales tax distributions have been higher than previously budgeted. We need to increase the appropriation to use the additional dollars toward the playground surfacing project.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #16-23.

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RESOLUTION #17-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

MEYER DESIGN INC. PLAYGROUND RUBBER SURFACING AND SWING FIX PROPOSAL

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Superintendent to accept the scope of work for a proposal with Meyer Design Inc. for the following services:

- Rubber Surfacing – Swing Set Area
- Remove and realign middle swing (risk assessment item)
- Repair rubber perimeter at platform swing
- Remove (2) Spring Bouncer Animals

The cost for the scope of work and any elected options shall not exceed: \$49,100.00.

Explanation:

The main purpose of this project is to replace mulch with the same rubber surfacing that is currently on the main part of the playground. It is also to readjust a swing for better clearance based on a recent risk assessment. Capital Sales Tax dollars (School use only) will be put towards this project.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #17-23.

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MEYER DESIGN INC.

Playground Equipment & Design

Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities
4691 Windfall Rd.
Medina, Ohio 44256

C/o Bobby Richards
rrichards@mcbdd.org

May 15, 2023

Rubber Surfacing Proposal

A) Swing Set Area, 1770 sq. ft.

- 3" thick of poured rubber
- 50/50 Black/blue blend in 1/2" top course, Blend rubber into existing
- Excavate and relocate soil and wood fiber
- Install and compact 4" of crushed stone base
- Backfill with soil at the lawn perimeter, seed and straw cover
- 25. Per \$ 44,250.00

B) Remove the middle swing, reinstall

- Cut posts to establish an 8' beam
- Remove concrete footers
- Reinstall in new concrete footers in the same location \$ 3,730.00

C) Repair the rubber perimeter at the platform swing

- Cut back damaged rubber
- Remove and clean area
- Fill area
- 32 lf at @35 ea. \$ 1,120.00

D) Remove 2 spring bouncer animals

\$ No Charge
Total \$ 49,100.00

Note: Labor is not quoted at Davis Bacon rates

Accepted By _____

Date _____


Chris Meyer, Meyer Design Inc.

100 N. High Street, Akron, Ohio 44308-1918
330-434-9176 1-800-543-9176 Fax: 330-434-9110
www.meyerdesign.com



RESOLUTION #18-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Medina County Auditor to make the following appropriation transfers (\$8,500.00) from Early Intervention Other Expenses to Early Intervention Supplies:

From:	To:	Amount:
33001011-50610	33001011-50100	
Early Intervention Other Expense	Early Intervention Supplies	\$8,500.00

Explanation:

To transfer budgeted EI Other Expenses to EI Supplies for purchases needed under the EI ARPA grant funding.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #18-23.

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RESOLUTION #19-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

PRODOOR & SECURITY DOOR REPLACEMENT PROPOSAL

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Superintendent to accept the scope of work for a proposal with ProDoor & Security for the following services:

- Labor and materials to replace (3) automatic sliding doors – A18, B17 & A1

The cost for the scope of work and any elected options shall not exceed: \$49,496.71.

Explanation:

The main purpose of this project is to replace (3) troublesome automatic sliding doors. This project is in the Capital Improvements budget.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #19-23.

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prodoor & security



formerly FRED J. CRISP INC. - SINCE 1929

QUOTATION

Quote Number: 74841-002
 Quote Date: Jun 1, 2023
 Page: 1
 Sales Rep: Shawn Whitcomb
 Voice: 330-785-9500
 Email: shawnw@prodoorsecurity.com
 1339 Easton Drive
 Akron, OH 44310

Please visit our redesigned website: WWW.PRODOORSECURITY.COM

Contact:		Ship To:		Billing Information:	
Contact: Bobby Richards Office: (330) 725-7751 Ext: 255 Mobile: Fax: rrichards@mcbdd.org		Medina County DD 4691 Windfall Rd Medina, OH 44256		Medina County Board Of DD 4691 Windfall Rd Medina, OH 44256	
Customer Number	Good Thru	Payment Terms		Shipping Method	
0000234	7/1/23	Net 30		INSTALLED	
Quantity	Item	Description		Unit Price	Amount
		Labor and Materials to replace 3 Automatic Sliding Doors as specified in Clear Anodized Aluminum Finish. School Locations: A18 & B17 and Admin Location: A1			

		Location: A18 (187-11/16" x 107-1/2") - School			
1.00	/DISPOSAL	Disposal fee Per Opening			
1.00	SO-165	Clear Anodized Aluminum Record 5100 Series Automatic Bi-Parting Sliding Door Package			
		* Frame O.D. 187-11/16" x 107-1/2"			
		* Full Breakout			
		* 1/4" Glazing Stops and Seals			
		* Narrow Stile Doors w/10" ADA Bottom Rail			
		* Surface Threshold			
		* Key Cylinder x Thumbturn			
		* Motion Sensor Activation			
		* HO Safety Beams			
		* Flush Panic Devices			
		* Fail Secure Electric Solenoid			
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Sliding Door Freight			
2.00	SO-165	1/4" Clear Safety Tempered Door Glass			
3.00	SO-165	1/4" Clear Safety Tempered Side Lite Glass			
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Glass Freight			
1.00	/300-165	Automatic Door Electrical supplies			
6.00	CAULK SAUSAGE GRAY	Dymonic 100 gray sausage caulking.			
1.00	/TRIP	Trip Charge			
1.00	/LABOR - CONTRACT	Labor to Install onsite			

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Quantity	Item	Description	Unit Price	Amount
1.00	/DISPOSAL	Location: B17 (95-1/2" x 108") - School		
1.00	SO-165	Disposal fee Per Opening		
		Clear Anodized Aluminum Record 5100 Series Automatic RH Sliding Door Package		
		* Frame O.D. 95-1/2" x 108"		
		* Full Breakout		
		* 1/4" Glazing Stops and Seals		
		* Narrow Stile Doors w/10" ADA Bottom Rail		
		* Surface Threshold		
		* Key Cylinder x Thumbturn		
		* Motion Sensor Activation		
		* HO Safety Beams		
		* Flush Panic Devices		
		* Fail Secure Electric Solenoid		
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Sliding Door Freight		
1.00	SO-165	1/4" Clear Safety Tempered Door Glass		
1.00	SO-165	1/4" Clear Safety Tempered Side Lite Glass		
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Glass Freight		
1.00	/300-165	Automatic Door Electrical supplies		
6.00	CAULK SAUSAGE GRAY	Dymonic 100 gray sausage caulking.		
1.00	/TRIP	Trip Charge		
1.00	/LABOR - CONTRACT	Labor to Install onsite		

		Location: A1 (146" x 142-3/4") - Admin		
1.00	/DISPOSAL	Disposal fee Per Opening		
1.00	SO-165	Clear Anodized Aluminum Record 5100 Series Automatic Bi-Parting Sliding Door Package		
		* Frame O.D. 146" x 142-3/4"		
		* Full Breakout		
		* 1" Glazing Stops and Seals		
		* Narrow Stile Doors w/10" ADA Bottom Rail		
		* Surface Threshold		
		* Key Cylinder x Thumbturn		
		* Motion Sensor Activation		
		* HO Safety Beams		
		* Flush Panic Devices		
		* Fail Secure Electric Solenoid		
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Sliding Door Freight		
2.00	SO-165	1" Clear Safety Tempered Insulated Door Glass		
1.00	SO-165	1" Clear Safety Tempered Insulated Door Transom Glass		
2.00	SO-165	1" Clear Safety Tempered Insulated Side Lite Glass		
2.00	SO-165	1" Clear Safety Tempered Insulated Side Lite Transom Glass		
1.00	FRT IN JOB	Glass Freight		
1.00	/300-165	Automatic Door Electrical supplies		
10.00	CAULK SAUSAGE GRAY	Dymonic 100 gray sausage caulking.		

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QUOTATION

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Quantity	Item	Description	Unit Price	Amount
2.00	/EQUIP - PDS LIFT & TRAILER	PDS Lift & Tilt Trailer		
1.00	/TRIP	Trip Charge		
1.00	/LABOR - CONTRACT	Labor to Install onsite		

Notes & Exclusions:				
** Scope of Work is Limited to the Installation of the Items Specifically Listed.				
** During removal we will take extreme caution not to damage masonry, plaster, drywall, or other finishes; if damages occur, repairs are by others.				
** Job Site to be Swept Broom Clean upon job completion.				
** Installation is to be during our normal business hours 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday through Friday				

Approved By: _____ Date: _____

All past due accounts will be assessed interest at 1-1/2% per month, 18% annually, starting ten (10) days after your due date per your company's credit terms. Accounts not paid within thirty (30) days after your due date per your company's credit terms are subject to collection through legal process and will include attorney fees and court costs, in addition to interest.

*** A 3% fee will be added for invoices paid by credit card ***

Subtotal	49,496.71
Sales Tax	0.00
TOTAL***	49,496.71

**RESOLUTION #20-23****June 26, 2023****MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES****LEGACY ROOFING SERVICES GUTTER REPLACEMENT (SCHOOL) PROPOSAL**

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Superintendent to accept the scope of work for a proposal with Legacy Roofing Services for the following services:

- Remove and replace gutters on the school
- Extend downspouts from upper area into lower gutter

The cost for the scope of work and any elected options shall not exceed: \$40,149.00.

Explanation:

The main purpose of this project is to install a new partial drainage system. The gutter replacement will keep water away from the building property that has been entering the building due to aged gutters. This project will be partially reimbursed through GEER II grant funds (\$33,149.55).

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #20-23.

Board Chair
Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities



1-866-LEGACY-4

Akron, Ohio
800 Killian Rd
Akron, OH 44319

Cleveland, Ohio
2350 N. Cleveland Massillon Rd.
Bath Township, OH 44333

Columbus, Ohio
770 Kaderly Dr.
Columbus, OH 43228

Legacy Roofing Services EIN: 84-2210872

Proposal Pricing Valid for 30 Days

May 10, 2023



Mr. Bobby Richards

RE: Windfall Schools at 4691 Windfall Rd, Medina, OH 44526

See attached overview area.

The following proposal is for the installation of a new partial drainage system at the above listed property. All work is to be performed in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and in compliance with local city and state building codes.

Assign a project manager to oversee installation, inspections, and final cleanup.

1. Remove and replace gutters in highlighted areas and install new 7" box gutters. Downspouts to remain.
2. Extend downspouts from upper area into lower gutter.
3. Thoroughly clean work area and remove any debris.

Total investment for the above work including materials, labor, equipment, taxes and insurance is:
\$ 40,149.00

Legacy Roofing Services Standard Warranty

- Legacy Roofing Services 5 Year Labor Warranty
- Owens Corning Standard Systems Warranty

Payment Terms: 1/2 before the start of work this allows Legacy Roofing Services to order material for the project and the reminder upon completion.

We or I have received a copy of Legacy Roofing Services Terms and Conditions. Initial: _____

We or I have received a Notice of Cancellation form Legacy Roofing Services. Initial: _____

The above proposal, scope of work and terms are accepted, and Legacy Roofing Services is directed to commence work as evidenced by the authorized signatures below.

Signature: _____ Date: / /

Printed Name: _____

Entity: _____

Approved Gutter Color: Dynaclad Putty (Best match To Existing)

Additional Project Notes:

GRAND TOTAL: \$ _____ Down Payment: \$ _____ Check #: _____

1. This Agreement fully executed by Owner.

2. Exhibits to this Agreement

Exhibit A – Terms and Conditions

Exhibit B – Legacy Certificate of Insurance (at least \$250,000.00 of General Liability Coverage)

Exhibit C – Estimate of Excess Cost – Change Order Form

Exhibit D – Contingency Contract Addendum (if applicable)

Exhibit E – Mortgage Company Authorization

Exhibit F – Pre-Renovation Form

Exhibit G – What to Expect

Exhibit H – 3 Day Right to Cancel

Respectfully Submitted by: Edward Thomas

Legacy Roofing Services

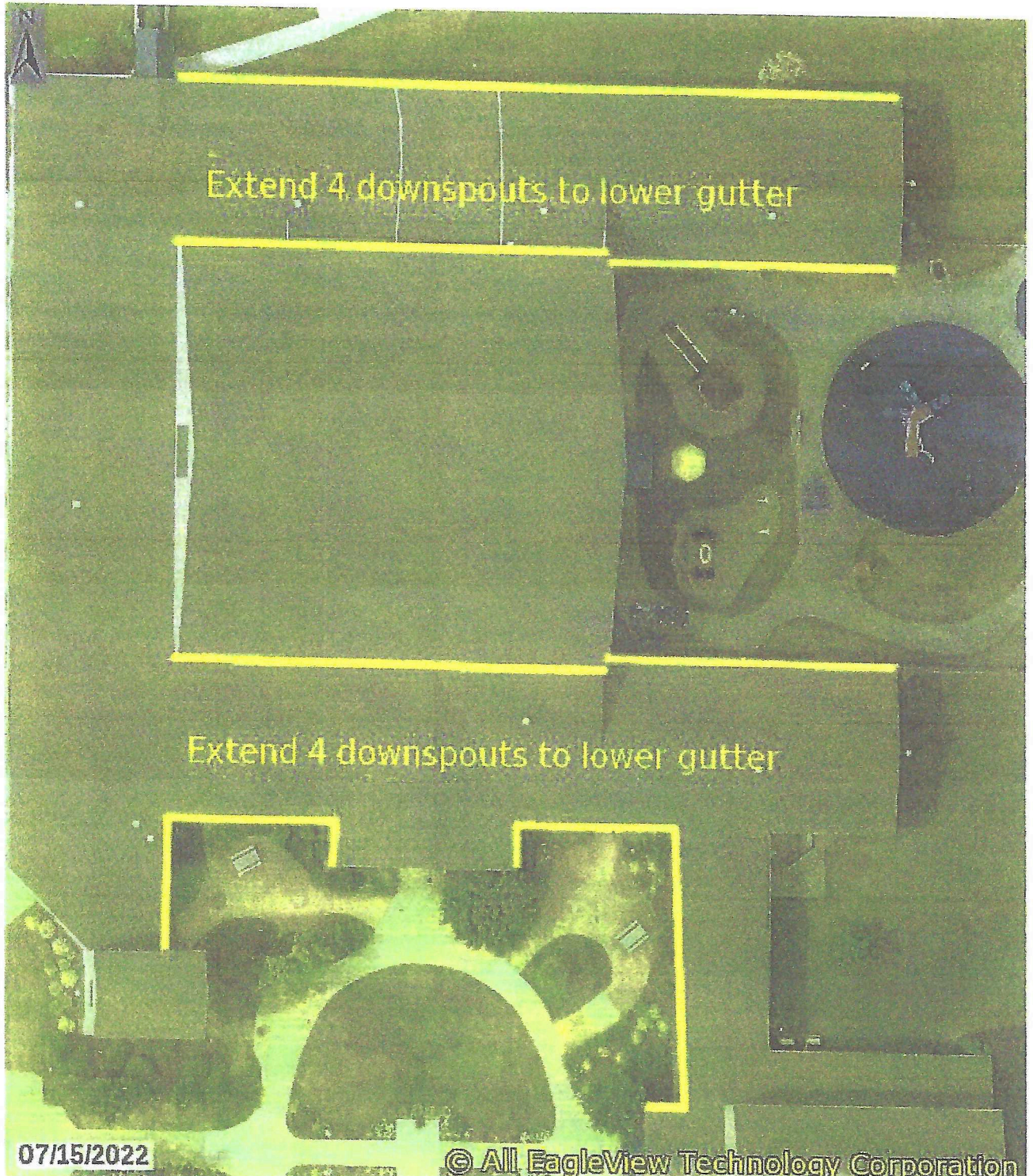
2350 N. Cleveland Massillon Rd, Bath Township, Ohio 44333

Office: 440-476-8244 Cell: 216-695-3663

Email: ed@legacyrfg.com

www.legacyroofing.com

NOTE: The gutter replacement will keep the water away from the building properly that has been entering the building due to aged gutters. This will help prevent the potential for future mold growth and other environmental health hazards in the school.





1-866-LEGACY-4

Akron, Ohio
800 Kilian Rd.
Akron, OH 44319Cleveland, Ohio
2350 N. Cleveland Massillon Rd.
Bath Township, OH 44333Columbus, Ohio
770 Kaderly Dr.
Columbus, OH 43228

Legacy Roofing Services Terms And Conditions

PAYMENT TERMS: Late Payments: Payments are due upon receipt of invoice. Late payment finance charges of 1.5% per billing cycle will begin to occur 21 days after invoice date and will continue to occur monthly.

ACCEPTANCE: This Agreement must be accepted and executed by Owner. No work will commence at the Project until Owner accepts this Agreement in writing. Any terms proposed in Owner's acceptance of this Agreement that add to, vary from, or conflict with the terms and conditions herein are hereby objected to and shall not apply.

LEGACY shall execute the entire work described in this Agreement, except to the extent specifically indicated to be the responsibility of others, or that otherwise are excluded from LEGACY's scope of work by this Agreement, as may be amended and supplemented.

This Agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. In the event of any conflict between this Agreement and any other documents, this Agreement shall control in each case.

CONTRACT PRICE: The scope of work and contract price are set forth in this Agreement

CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS: The Scope of Work and Contract Price are subject to increase, but only upon the mutual written agreement of Owner and LEGACY, which shall be a condition precedent to LEGACY's performance of any additional work. In no event shall Owner be permitted to direct LEGACY to perform additional work beyond that which is included in the Agreement, absent a written change order executed by both parties.

In the event there is a change in the work necessitated by differing or changed conditions, schedule or sequence adjustments, or other factors not the responsibility of the LEGACY, then the prices set forth on the Agreement and Project schedule shall be equitably adjusted. In the absence of a lump sum for the extra work or delay costs, LEGACY shall be paid on a time and material cost plus basis at LEGACY's then prevailing labor and equipment rates, together with overhead and profit at margins established and acceptable to LEGACY.

Mechanical Attachment of any Kind on this roof system will require a fastener to penetrate the roof decking. Legacy will exercise extreme caution to avoid any fasteners from damaging conduit lines, although that may be unavoidable. In the event that a mechanically attached method is approved in this Agreement, Legacy will be liable for the damages to repair the existing electrical conduit only. Legacy is not liable for any downtime, lost production time, surge damage to machinery, or any other related items.

NO LIEN WAIVER: Under no circumstances does LEGACY agree to waive its lien rights to file, or permit its subcontractors, vendors, laborers, unions, or material men (including lower-tiers), to file any mechanics' liens to secure payment for materials of work furnished in furtherance of the Agreement.

SITE CONDITIONS: Owner and LEGACY acknowledge and agree that LEGACY assumes no responsibility for any concealed or unknown physical conditions, or any concealed or unknown physical condition in any area where the work is being performed. LEGACY shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment of the contract price to account for all costs incurred by LEGACY as a result of unknown or unanticipated or differing conditions.



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LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: LEGACY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF THE FORM OF ACTION AND/OR CLAIM, FOR ANY DIRECT, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, CONSEQUENTIAL AND/OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, LOST PROFITS OR LOSS OF USE RESULTING AND/OR ARISING FROM A BREACH OF WARRANTY, DELAY OF PERFORMANCE AND/OR ANY OTHER BREACH HEREUNDER OF THE AGREEMENT OR HEREUNDER. ANY ACTION RESULTING FROM ANY BREACH ON THE PART OF LEGACY MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN ONE (1) YEAR AFTER THE CAUSE OF ACTION HAS OCCURRED.

OWNER INDEMNITY: To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Owner shall defend, indemnify and hold LEGACY, its shareholders, officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns, harmless from and against any and all claims, suits, actions, liabilities, losses, costs, reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses, judgments or damages, whether ordinary, special or consequential arising directly or indirectly from or in connection with the acts, negligence, omission or willful misconduct of Owner, of any breach of the Agreement or these Terms and Conditions.

LEGACY INDEMNITY: To the fullest extent permitted by law, LEGACY shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner and the Owner, from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses (including, but not limited to attorneys' fees), arising out of or resulting from performance of the work, provided, however, that such claim, damage, loss or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction to tangible property (excluding the work itself), but only to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions of LEGACY.

TERMINATION. If the Owner fails to pay LEGACY in accordance with the terms herein, through no fault of LEGACY, LEGACY may terminate the contract and recover from the Owner payment for work executed (including overhead and profit) and for proven loss with respect to materials, equipment, tools, and construction equipment and machinery, including reasonable overhead and profit on unperformed work.

ASSIGNMENT. The Agreement and these Terms and Conditions shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns. The Agreement shall not be assigned, delegated or otherwise transferred by Owner except upon the prior written consent of LEGACY and any assignment or transfer without that consent shall be void and of no effect.

APPLICABLE LAW. The Agreement and these Terms and Conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State where the Project is located. The Parties agree that any claim between the parties arising out of this Agreement, shall be subject to arbitration which, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Construction Industry Arbitration Rules in effect on the date of the Agreement. The Arbitration shall be conducted in the place where the Project is located, unless another location is mutually agreed upon.

NOTICE AND RIGHT TO CURE. OHIO LAW CONTAINS IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS YOU MUST FOLLOW BEFORE YOU MAY FILE A LAWSUIT OR COMMENCE ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS FOR DEFECTIVE CONSTRUCTION AGAINST LEGACY. AT LEAST SIXTY (60) DAYS BEFORE YOU FILE A LAWSUIT OR COMMENCE ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS, YOU MUST PROVIDE THE LEGACY WITH A WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE CONDITIONS YOU ALLEGE ARE DEFECTIVE. UNDER CHAPTER 1312 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE, LEGACY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER TO REPAIR OR PAY FOR THE DEFECTS. YOU ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO ACCEPT ANY OFFER LEGACY MAKES. THERE ARE STRICT DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES UNDER STATE LAW, AND FAILURE TO FOLLOW THEM MAY AFFECT YOUR ABILITY TO FILE A LAWSUIT OR COMMENCE ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS



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Columbus, OH 43226**EXCESS COSTS:**

IF AT ANY TIME A HOME CONSTRUCTION SERVICE REQUIRES EXTRA COSTS ABOVE THE COST SPECIFIED OR ESTIMATED IN THIS AGREEMENT THAT WERE REASONABLY UNFORESEEN, BUT NECESSARY, AND THE TOTAL OF ALL EXTRA COSTS TO DATE EXCEEDS FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS OVER THE COURSE OF THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT, YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO AN ESTIMATE OF THOSE EXCESS COSTS BEFORE LEGACY BEGINS WORK RELATED TO THOSE COSTS.

Insurance Claims and Other Financing: If the Work is financed through Insurance or some other method of financing, the Owner agrees to execute and deliver necessary papers and/or other forms required by the lending agency in advance of commencement of the Work. Upon notice of Substantial Completion of the Work, the Owner will execute a certificate of completion, if required.

Preexisting framing: Conditions: Legacy Roofing Services will not be responsible or resolve any framing issues unless stated specifically in the contract.

Legacy Roofing Services will attempt to resolve ventilation issues but will take no responsibility for insufficient or unbalanced ventilation.

Legacy Roofing Services is not liable for any brick mortar (building or chimney) or chimney caps that may be missing or damaged.

Legacy Roofing Services is not liable for any siding damage that may incur during the roofing process or gaps in siding the result from the removal of multiple layers of shingles

Legacy Roofing Services is not liable for any damaged gutters or gutter guards that may incur during the roofing process. Certain gutter guard styles may not be able to be reinstalled. Legacy Roofing Services will take precautions to prevent damage but holds no liability

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NOTICE OF CANCELLATION

Date: ____/____/____

You may cancel this transaction, without any penalty or obligation, within three business days from the above date.

If you cancel, any property traded in, any payments made by you under the contract or sale, and any negotiable instrument executed by you will be returned within ten business days following receipt by the seller of your cancellation notice, and any security interest arising out of the transaction will be cancelled.

If you cancel, you must make available to the seller at your residence, in substantially as good condition as when received, any goods delivered to you under this contract or sale; or you may if you wish, comply with the instructions of the seller regarding the return shipment of the goods at the seller's expense and risk.

If you do make the goods available to the seller and the seller does not pick them up within twenty days of the date of your notice of cancellation, you may retain or dispose of the goods without any further obligation. If you fail to make the goods available to the seller, or if you agree to return the goods to the seller and fail to do so, then you remain liable for performance of all obligations under the contract.

To cancel this transaction, mail, with return receipt requested, or deliver, in person or manually, a signed and dated copy of this cancellation notice or any other written notice of cancellation, or send notice by facsimile transmission or electronic mail, to **Legacy Roofing Services, 2350 N Cleveland Massillon Rd, Bath Township, OH 44333** not later than midnight of the third business day following entering into the written agreement for services.

I hereby cancel this transaction.

Date: ____/____/____

(Owner's signature)_____
(Owner's Name Printed)



RESOLUTION #21-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

APPROPRIATION INCREASE – IT CONTRACT SERVICES

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to authorize the Medina County Auditor to make the following appropriation increase:

INCREASE	AMOUNT
3300-0004-50580 INFORM TECH CONTR SVS	\$61,690.00

2023 Budget Appropriation increase:
33000004-50580 will increase from \$129,950.00 to \$191,640.00.

Explanation:

For the purpose of increasing appropriations for the IT contract services account. The IT Contract Services budgeted amount in the technology plan did not get carried over into the budget worksheet/MUNIS correctly.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #21-23.

Board Chair
Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities



RESOLUTION #22-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

ABOLISHMENT & CREATION OF POSITIONS

A motion was made by _____, seconded by _____ :

Administration respectfully requests permission to abolish the following position:

- Maintenance Repairman (1)

And create the following positions:

- Maintenance Supervisor
- Service and Support Administrator (2)

Explanation:

Per recommendations in the recent performance audit and review of current caseload size, our SSAs are currently in excess of the state average. The Performance Audit showed that on staffing levels, when normalizing for client population, we staff 5.5 fewer SSAs than the operational peer average in other counties. Adding two new SSA positions will allow SSAs more time to focus on the needs of the individuals on their caseloads. This request will result in a salary increase of approximately \$50,000 plus benefits for the remainder of 2023.

The Maintenance Supervisor position will take the lead in assigning the building's daily tasks, maintenance requests, landscaping, snowplowing, and preventative maintenance to the operations and maintenance staff. The skill level is also being increased including a requirement to obtain HVAC certification which will ultimately decrease the need and cost of third-party vendors. This request will result in a salary increase of approximately \$5,000 per year.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #22-23.

Board Chair

Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities



RESOLUTION #23-23

June 26, 2023

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

EXCESS PROPERTY

A motion was made by _____ and seconded by _____ to declare the attached items as excess property and unusable by the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

Explanation:

The MCBDD Maintenance and/or IT Departments have inspected and evaluated these items and determined that the items are unneeded. This property will be sold through auction or other means as specified in ORC 307.12, Disposition of Unneeded, Obsolete or Unfit Personal Property.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #23-23.

Board Chair
Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities

Excess Inventory List
June 26, 2023

Asset Tag	Item Description	Disposal Method	Note
W3030	InFocus LP640 Projector	Auction	No longer useful
A1449	InFocus W260 Projector	Auction	No longer useful
6872	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6920	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6878	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6879	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6875	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6916	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6886	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6876	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6885	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6131	Apple iPad A1474	Auction	No longer useful
6684	Dell Precision T3600	Auction	No longer useful
6965	Lenovo ThinkCentre E73	Auction	No longer useful
6050	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Auction	No longer useful
6412	Lenovo ThinkCentre M700	Auction	No longer useful
S5607	Dell Optiplex 780	Auction	No longer useful
6802	Lenovo ThinkCentre E73	Auction	No longer useful

Asset Tag	Item Description	Disposal Method	Note
S5015	HP Compaq Desktop	Recycle	Cannot wipe drive
6880	Lenovo ThinkCentre M73	Recycle	Dead, does not power on
7979	Apple iPad	Recycle	Screen completely shattered
S5646	HP EliteBook 8460p	Recycle	Cannot wipe drive
W2970	Compaq Deskpro EN	Recycle	Cannot wipe drive
W3215	Wooden Computer Stand	To be thrown away	No longer useful
S5053	Wooden Computer Stand	To be thrown away	No longer useful
S5483	Washer	To be thrown away	No longer useful

Monthly Reports

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**June 2023****SSA**

- On 5/3, Lisa Comes from OACB facilitated a Lunch & Learn for the SSA Department regarding *Outcomes and Their Importance to a quality Individual Service Plan*. The training was well received.
- On 5/31, Nik Pokrzywa and Crystal Brodzinski, MCBDD Investigative Agents, facilitated the Annual MUI Stakeholder Meeting regarding the review and analyzation of data for 2022. We had about 20 people present including local law enforcement from Medina City and Wadsworth Police Departments.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- We participated in the Wadsworth Family Fun Carnival on 5/13 and we handed out general agency information and Ice Cream Social event flyers to about 250 attendees.
- We participated in the Medina County Senior Day event at the Medina Community Center on 5/16. Over 675 seniors participated in the event and we handed out information related to grandparents and grandchildren with special needs.
- We had a booth at the Kids Day of Safety and Play at the Medina Public Square on 6/3. Over 500 families with young children attended the event and we promoted our agency and Early Intervention Services.
- We held our first Free Community Shred Day of the year at the Achievement Center on 6/10. Donations totaling \$1,135 were accepted to go towards our Donor Scholarship Fund. Our second event will tentatively be held in October.
- We sponsored the Medina Juneteenth Celebration for Acceptance and Inclusion event held on 6/17 at Medina Public Square.

Media:

- Our Committed to Inclusion Project was a featured story on News Channel 5 on 5/11.
- We were invited for a radio interview on 6/15 at Wadsworth Community Radio to talk about upcoming agency events and programs.
- Windfall School graduates were included in the Gazette's graduation publication.

Upcoming Events:

- Medina County Fair Friends on 7/8 at the Medina County Fairgrounds
- Medina County Fair from 7/31-8/6 at the Medina County Fairgrounds

EARLY INTERVENTION

- The third Toddler Play Group, held on 5/21 at Mugrage Park, was a huge success. A total of 197 people (parents, grandparents, siblings, friends and neighbors) were in attendance. There was a nice write up in the Medina Gazette. We received a phone call last week from someone who read about it in the paper and wanted to know when the next event was going to be held. Six county board staff volunteered to help at the event.
- Referrals for the month of May were a little lighter than in recent months.
- The family satisfaction survey from DODD will be coming out soon and will go to all families with an active IFSP, on a designated date.
- One of our occupational therapists, Kelly Critzer, received an email from a family member. He wrote that they love our program and made the following comment: "We learn more from you

explaining things to me about development and letting me talk through issues we're having than I do with all three therapies combined *just doing* and me having to ask questions." He said "I can't believe everyone doesn't do Early Intervention", and they just love our model! This is a family of twins, who were very premature, and receive private therapy services in addition to Early Intervention services. The father is the primary participant in intervention services with the occupational therapist.

- The Medina County EI program was found to be 100% compliant in meeting the 45-day timeline, which requires that all activities including service coordination intake visit, evaluation, and development of IFSP take place within 45 days of referral. Thanks to all staff for their diligence in meeting state and federal timelines!

SCHOOL AGE AND PRESCHOOL

- Safety Town will be the week of 6/19-23.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTS & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Community Employment:

- The number of individuals receiving Community Employment Services the past month:
 - Job Development: 6
 - Job Coaching: 3
 - 90 Day Job Retention: 1
 - Community Based Assessment: 0
 - Pre-ETS: 2

Past Trainings and Presentations:

Date	Title of Training	Presenter	Target Audience
5/2/2023	Epilepsy & Seizure First Aid <i>30 attended</i>	Nicole Richter & Pam Wheeler, MCBDD	Providers/Families/Individuals/ Community
5/24/2023	MUI/UIR: What You Need to Know <i>17 attended</i>	Crystal Brodzinski & Kim Bernardi, MCBDD	Providers

Upcoming Trainings and Presentations:

Date	Title of Training	Presenter	Target Audience
6/7/2023	Independent Provider Meet & Greet	Various MCBDD Staff	Independent Providers
6/14/2023	Provider Service Documentation Refresher	Courtney Jordan & Kim Bernardi, MCBDD	Providers
6/21/2023	Provider/SSA Mingle: Free Choice of Provider & Billing Authorizations	Various MCBDD Staff	SSAs & Providers
6/29/2023	Guardianship	Judge Dunn & Magistrate Hathcock, Medina County Probate Court	Families, Individuals, Community Transition Age

Self-Advocacy:

- **May Advocacy Meeting** – A survey was conducted among Advocates to find the best day of the week and time to hold General Advocacy Meetings. The survey showed daytime would work best for many especially if the meetings were held via Zoom, then Day providers could have the opportunity to log on as well. During the May Advocacy Meeting, 44 Advocates and support staff were updated on on-going projects and new opportunities for Advocates as well as what’s happening in our communities that they could join. We ended our meeting talking about feelings and how best to cope with negative emotions such as disappointment, frustration, dislike, and anger. Our next meeting is scheduled for 6/27.
- **MCBDD Leadership Academy** - Leadership Academy took place on 5/16. Participants worked on their personal profiles: recognizing their strengths, values, and what their vision of a good life looks like to them. We began the conversation of developing smart goals, which will continue over the next several sessions. We ended this session with guest speaker Dan Meagher, Director of Operations for Feeding Medina County. Our next session is scheduled for 6/20. Session 3 will lead us into developing better communication and listening skills, as well as enhancing problem solving skills.
- **Educating Our Youth** - During the month of May, six Advocates visited seven third grade classrooms at Buckeye Elementary School in Medina. The Advocates shared their hopes, dreams, and accomplishments, as well as the importance of accepting and including everyone. They also held a question and answer session for the many curious students. The Advocates spoke to a total of 171 students and eight teachers during their time at Buckeye.
- **Kindness Program at Black River High School** - The Principal from Black River High School reached out to MCBDD wanting to know more about our Kindness and Acceptance Program. Michelle Fortney met with administrative staff in early June to give an overview of our presentation. We will be presenting to the high school students, as well as some community members in August.

Provider Support:**DSP Spotlight**

Gregory Powers was recognized for the June DSP Spotlight. Greg works for Midwest Community. As stated by his supervisor, “Since Greg started working at Midwest Community, he has shown compassion to each and every one of our individuals. He is reliable and goes above and beyond, making sure all their needs are met, and that everyone is happy. Greg is always willing to learn new job duties; he will work over and not complain. He is always on time for work and never misses work. Greg communicates well not only with the families, but with everyone to whom he speaks. Greg is a great part of our work family.” Congratulations Greg!!!

DSP Appreciation

In May, we organized a Spring DSP Appreciation to recognize all those **Amazing** Direct Support Professionals serving individuals from Medina County. We delivered 587 packs of Grandma’s Chocolate Chip Cookies to 22 agencies, along with handwritten “Thank you” cards. We also sent personalized “thank you” cards to 178 Independent Providers.



OPERATIONS

Construction and Building Update:

- The cement work is complete.
- The fire alarm project is complete and passed final inspection.
- The security camera project is complete.

Aktion Club:

- Aktion Club supported The Society's Link Bowling Fundraiser by sponsoring a team.
- The Medina Breakfast Kiwanis Sport Hall of Fame Banquet was held on 6/16. Paula Majoros attended and Special Olympic athletes Grant Snowball and Megan McNutt were inducted. (Megan will be recognized in 2024, as she is unable to attend this year.)
- The next event Aktion Club will be supporting is the Race for Glory.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS OHIO MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DD

- 73 Athletes total
 - 30 - Athletics (Track and Field)
 - 16 - Bocce
 - 14 - Volleyball
 - 9 - Tennis
 - 4 - Powerlifting
- Bowling: The Banquet took place on 5/8.
- Athletics: The Regional Event was held at Bedford High School on 5/6. The Athletes brought home 18 Gold, 12 Silver, and six Bronze medals; as well as two 4th place and three 5th place ribbons.
- Bocce: The Regional Event was held at the Italian American Club in Wickliffe on 5/6; results have not yet been provided.
- Volleyball: The Regional Event was at Bedford High School on 5/6; team brought home a Gold medal in the traditional division.
- Tennis: The Regional Event was held on 6/3 at the Medina Invitational, resulting in three Gold, six Silver, and two Bronze medals.
- Powerlifting: The Regional was held on 5/6 at Bedford High School; results have not yet been provided.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Wadsworth YMCA Pickleball has changed to Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m., weekly (schedule will change as YMCA class schedule changes). There is no cost to Athletes; 13 Athletes are currently participating. (2 non-athletes are support people) TOTAL: 14 enrolled.
- S.O. Young Athlete Program began 6/14. Eighteen children, ages 2-7 years old, have enrolled.
- Candy sales continue (World's Finest Chocolates). There are no additional boxes available to sell this time.
- Medina County Field Day was held on 5/9 (in collaboration with Special Olympics Medina County) at Cloverleaf High School; 400+ students participated.
- The Raymond Biegel Memorial tournament was held on 5/13 at MCAC.
- Fiona's Car Show was held on 6/10 at MCAC.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

- Medina Invitational was held on 6/3-6/4 at Medina High School; approximately 600 Athletes and 100 volunteers participated.
- State Summer Games is scheduled at The Ohio State University for the weekend of 6/23-6/25; 39 Athletes and 18 coaches/chaperones are attending.
- The Equestrian show at the Creative Therapy Ranch was held on 5/27 from 12 p.m.-3 p.m.; Special Olympics Athletes will be selected from the show for State Games.

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
MONTHLY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS
ALL FUNDS
5/31/2023

						VARIANCE ANALYSIS				% OF BUDGET RECEIVED
ACCT	TITLE	BUDGETED RECEIPTS	MAR	APR	MAY	YTD RECEIPTS CURRENT YEAR	YTD RECEIPTS PRIOR YEAR	INCREASE (DECREASE)	% INCR. (DECR.)	
										41.67%
2856-40008	SALES TAX REVENUE	23,200	-	7,472	-	14,014	11,842	2,172	18.34	60.40
3300-40001	REAL ESTATE TAX (3)	17,418,121	9,651,782	-	-	9,651,782	9,652,347	(564)	(0.01)	55.41
3300-40009	ST PYMT IN LIEU OF TAXES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3300-40011	ROLLBACK/HOMESTEAD TAX (2)	2,154,183	-	1,045,013	-	1,045,013	1,071,734	(26,721)	(2.49)	48.51
3300-40250	FEES	3,600	200	550	-	1,900	1,900	-	-	52.78
3300-40420	GENERAL REIMBURSEMENTS	804,600	53,789	78,200	96,878	401,994	272,444	129,550	47.55	49.96
3300-40435	MEDICAID SETTLEMENT (7)	980,000	813,653	-	-	813,653	741,456	72,197	9.74	83.03
3300-40438	TARGETED CASE MGT (5)	904,000	92,779	90,039	110,764	448,236	385,285	62,951	16.34	49.58
3300-40439	WAIVER INCOME (5)	39,000	5,493	-	-	5,493	24,870	(19,377)	(77.91)	14.09
3300-40440	MAC	556,000	153,350	-	145,130	298,479	286,523	11,956	4.17	53.68
3300-40599	OTHER REVENUE	10,000	457	720	2,067	9,591	32,847	(23,256)	(70.80)	95.91
3300-40601	GRANTS - FEDERAL (4)	118,938	17,152	18,059	3,083	40,626	49,568	(8,942)	(18.04)	34.16
2855/3300-40602	GRANTS - STATE (4)	313,500	-	4,966	-	6,228	21,424	(15,196)	(70.93)	1.99
3300-40606	OOD	280,000	3,332	14,551	6,976	47,548	76,839	(29,291)	(38.12)	16.98
3300-40612	DEPT OF ED SUBSIDY	510,000	45,993	47,333	49,187	261,121	213,359	47,762	22.39	51.20
3300-40710	RENT	116,000	9,322	12,988	9,262	50,156	37,968	12,188	32.10	43.24
3315/3300-40712	REFUNDS	2,000	125	-	3,998	4,626	2,432	2,194	90.21	231.30
3300-40799	OTHER NON-REVENUE (9)	-	-	-	-	70	243	(173)	(71.05)	-
3315-40072	DONATIONS (6)	10,000	50	-	208	258	2,515	(2,257)	(89.76)	2.58
3315-40503	INTEREST	2,000	4,736	-	-	4,736	-	4,736	-	236.80
	GRAND TOTALS	24,245,142	10,852,213	1,319,891	427,552	13,105,525	12,885,596	219,929	1.71	54.05
check:			10,852,212.85	1,319,890.97	427,551.52	13,105,524.73	12,885,595.58			
2855-40450	TRANSFERS (8)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
						13,105,524.73	12,885,595.58	219,929.15		

Footnotes:

1. This report combines all funds for MCBDD (General, Capital, Capital SalesTax and Donated).
2. Rollback/ Homestead is the portion of Real Estate Taxes that are paid by the State twice a year. 1st half received 3/31/23.
3. Real Estate taxes are received twice a year typically in April and August or September. 1st half received 3/31/23.
4. Grants - Federal (Title XX, National School Lunch, Title VI), Grants - State (RAP, Capital Assistance Grants (Housing), Other State Grants)
5. Medicaid payments (Waiver & Targeted Case Management) - 2023 waiver revenue is Transit NMT waiver billing and Supported Employment for previous CY22 quarter.
6. Donations received (3315-40072): Mar - \$50 (Jill Becherucci for Co. Supp), May - \$150 (Bob & Laura Calmer - in memory of grandson who attended Windfall School - for Education Recreational items), \$22.50 Box Tops for Education, \$35 (Terri Hanson - towards Memorial Grove (no specific use)
7. Medicaid Settlement - cost report and waiver match reconciliations. For CY23, we expect FY21 waiver match reconciliation and CY19 cost report settlement (was expected in 2022). Mar - FY21 Waiver Match Reconciliation rec'd
8. Cash transfer from general fund to capital improvement fund - no cash transfers expected in CY23.
9. Other Non-revenue - insurance premiums PT staff (moved to 40420 general reimbursements in 2023)

MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
MONTHLY EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
ALL FUNDS
MAY 2023

								YTD VARIANCE ANALYSIS				UNSPENT BALANCE 2023	% SPENT
ACCT	TITLE	INITIAL BUDGET	BUDGET CHANGES	ADJUSTED BUDGET	MAR	APR	MAY	YTD BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	YTD PRIOR YEAR	INCREASE (DECREASE)		
VARIOUS	SALARIES (5)	8,482,126	-	8,482,126	614,741	611,950	619,654	3,262,356	3,071,717	3,137,788	(66,070)	5,410,409	36.21
3300-50060	WORKERS COMP	84,648	-	84,648	6,152	6,079	6,197	32,557	30,634	31,391	(758)	54,015	36.19
3300-50070	UNEMPLOYMENT	66,170	-	66,170	-	3,588	-	25,450	5,120	1,721	3,399	61,050	7.74
3300-50080	PERS	960,177	-	960,177	71,444	71,220	69,767	369,299	353,467	354,575	(1,107)	606,710	36.81
3300-50081	MEDICARE	122,738	-	122,738	8,417	8,316	8,491	47,207	41,926	42,196	(270)	80,812	34.16
3300-50082	STRS	224,884	-	224,884	14,775	15,161	16,461	86,494	76,142	75,539	603	148,742	33.86
3300-50090	HOSPITALIZATION	2,586,539	-	2,586,539	174,443	174,016	171,574	994,823	868,382	894,411	(26,029)	1,718,157	33.57
3300-50091	DENTAL INSURANCE	120,040	-	120,040	10,155	9,922	19,104	50,017	59,579	45,706	13,873	60,461	49.63
3300/3315-50100	SUPPLIES	216,430	-	216,430	10,793	10,517	12,293	90,179	52,187	75,156	(22,969)	164,243	24.11
3300-50200	MATERIALS	20,300	-	20,300	-	524	506	8,458	2,639	7,000	(4,361)	17,661	13.00
3300-50230	REPAIRS	53,500	-	53,500	1,711	8,415	6,756	22,292	20,907	12,010	8,897	32,594	39.08
3300-50250	EMERGENCY RELIEF	25,000	-	25,000	-	-	-	10,417	-	2,118	(2,118)	25,000	-
3300-50450	FEES	379,100	-	379,100	2,435	86,422	2,588	157,958	174,404	155,141	19,262	204,697	46.00
3300-50515	PROPERTY & LIABILITY INS	54,450	-	54,450	23,511	-	13,200	22,688	36,711	21,646	15,065	17,739	67.42
3300-50536	VEHICLE INSURANCE	11,000	-	11,000	8,723	-	-	4,583	8,723	9,422	(699)	2,277	79.30
3300-50540	ADVERTISING	37,600	-	37,600	3,877	1,955	1,750	15,667	20,000	16,773	3,227	17,601	53.19
3300/3315-50541	PRINTING	7,550	-	7,550	385	173	782	3,146	1,340	5,489	(4,149)	6,210	17.75
3300/3315-50560	TRAVEL	120,950	-	120,950	4,169	16,363	6,695	50,396	42,796	19,972	22,824	78,154	35.38
3300/3315-50580	CONTRACT SERVICES	2,160,109	-	2,160,109	115,563	92,984	109,416	900,045	774,564	744,960	29,604	1,385,545	35.86
3300-50590	CONTRACT PROJECTS	540,000	-	540,000	500	-	4,281	225,000	24,526	56,150	(31,624)	515,474	4.54
3300-50600	GASOLINE	4,500	-	4,500	201	263	916	1,875	1,662	1,696	(34)	2,838	36.94
3300/3315-50610	OTHER EXPENSE (3)	105,515	-	105,515	550	4,392	1,503	43,965	66,078	44,019	22,059	39,437	62.62
VARIOUS	UTILITIES	247,700	-	247,700	20,977	8,921	27,835	103,208	101,477	215,883	(114,406)	146,223	40.97
3300/3315-50711	RENTALS	8,350	-	8,350	455	168	100	3,479	898	3,143	(2,245)	7,452	10.76
3300/3315-50780	EQUIPMENT	141,500	-	141,500	-	1,012	14,279	58,958	56,017	42,208	13,808	85,483	39.59
2855-50580	CONTRACT SERVICES (CI)	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-	20,833	-	-	-	50,000	-
2855-50590	CAPITAL PROJECTS (CI)	734,800	-	734,800	182,983	27,298	13,663	306,167	495,309	188,405	306,905	239,491	67.41
2856-50590	CAPITAL PROJECTS (SALES TAX)	23,200	-	23,200	-	-	-	9,667	-	23,862	(23,862)	23,200	-
SUBTOTAL - EXPENDITURES		17,588,876	-	17,588,876	1,276,960	1,159,661	1,127,812	6,927,183	6,387,204	6,228,380	158,823	11,201,672	36.31
3300-50623	MEDICAID LOCAL MATCH (2)	6,779,000	-	6,779,000	33,349	1,291,400	36,396	2,824,583	2,563,052	2,466,124	96,927	4,215,948	37.81
GRAND TOTALS		24,367,876	-	24,367,876	1,310,309	2,451,061	1,164,208	9,751,766	8,950,256	8,694,505	255,751	15,417,621	36.73
PRIOR YEAR CARRYOVER (4)				181,945	24,066	14,655			794,599	711,364			
check:		24,367,876	0	24,367,876	1,310,308.93	2,451,060.75	1,164,207.55	9,751,766	8,950,255.50	8,694,504.68		15,417,621	
3300-50960	TRANSFERS (6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3300-50981	RESERVE GENERAL (7)	8,948,387	(282,499)	8,665,888	-	-	-	8,665,888	-	8,867,406	(201,518)	8,665,888	-
2855-50981	RESERVE CAPITAL (7)	2,801,357	-	2,801,357	-	-	-	2,801,357	-	3,586,157	(784,800)	2,801,357	-
TOTAL RESERVE AMOUNTS:		11,749,744	(282,499)	11,467,245				11,467,245	-	12,453,563	(986,318)	11,467,245	-

36,117,620

35,835,121

8,950,255.50

FOOTNOTES:

1. This report combines all funds for MCBDD (General, Capital, Sales Tax and Donated); Initial Budget is the initial approved 2023 Budget. Budget changes are for appropriation transfers, increases or decreases that occur after the initial budget is approved. Adjusted budget is current budget net of budget changes.
2. Local Match includes quarterly payments plus 5th invoice to DODD for Medicaid match, as well as match for those individuals living in a DC. 6.5% provider retention match is also posted here.
3. Other Expense includes one-time payments (e.g. professional memberships - OACBDD, OPRA, Chambers, etc.).
4. Prior Year Carry-over is 2022 expenses paid in 2023
5. Salaries - three pay months (June and December 2023).
6. Transfers- This is not an expense but is needed to transfer money from the general fund to the capital improvement fund (none needed for 2023)
7. Reserve - Designated reserve accounts covered by ORC 5705.222 (C)

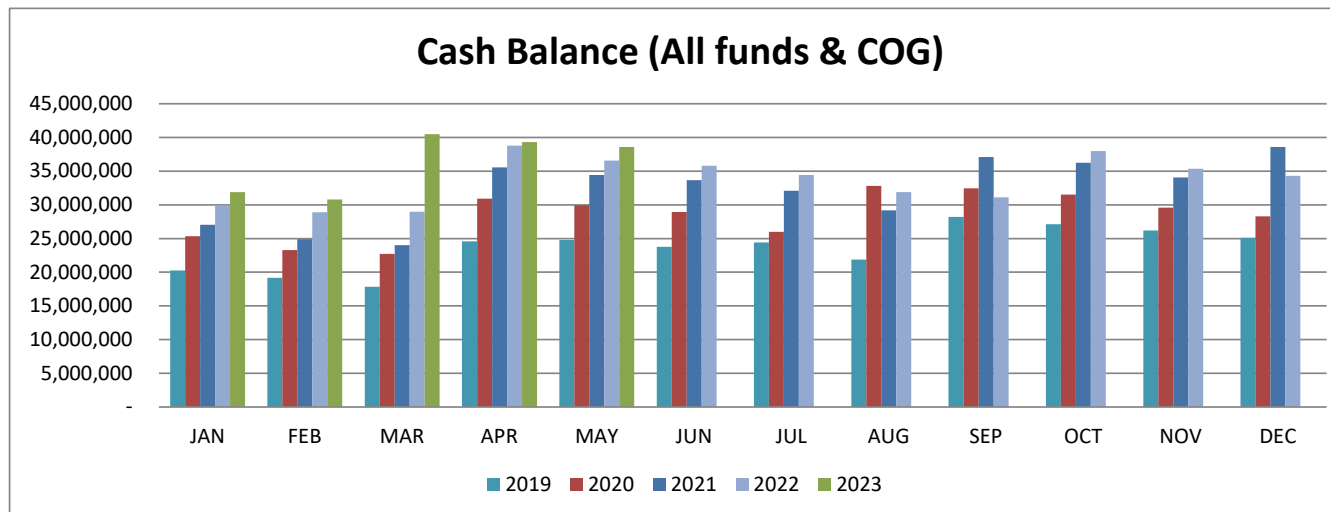
MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
CASH BALANCE FOR MONTH ENDING:

May 31, 2023

			CURRENT YEAR	PRIOR YEAR	NET CHANGE
FUND #	2855	Capital Fund	2,576,554.10	2,528,892.30	47,661.80
	2855	Capital Fund Reserve	2,801,357.00	3,586,157.00	(784,800.00)
	2856	Capital Sales Tax Fund	25,730.04	17,450.39	8,279.65
	3300	General Fund	24,220,017.40	21,252,310.35	2,967,707.05
	3300	General Fund Reserve	8,665,888.00	8,867,406.00	(201,518.00)
	3315	Donated Fund	97,044.90	106,085.56	(9,040.66)
	NA	Residential Fund- Held by NEON	189,608.54	212,190.96	(22,582.42)
		TOTALS	38,576,199.98	36,570,492.56	2,005,707.42
		RESERVE TOTAL	11,467,245.00	12,453,563.00	(986,318.00)
		TOTALS LESS RESERVES	27,108,954.98	24,116,929.56	2,992,025.42

Note 1: Cash held by NEON is used to pay Supported Living and Family Support Services

Note 2: Reserve accounts in accordance with ORC 5705.222

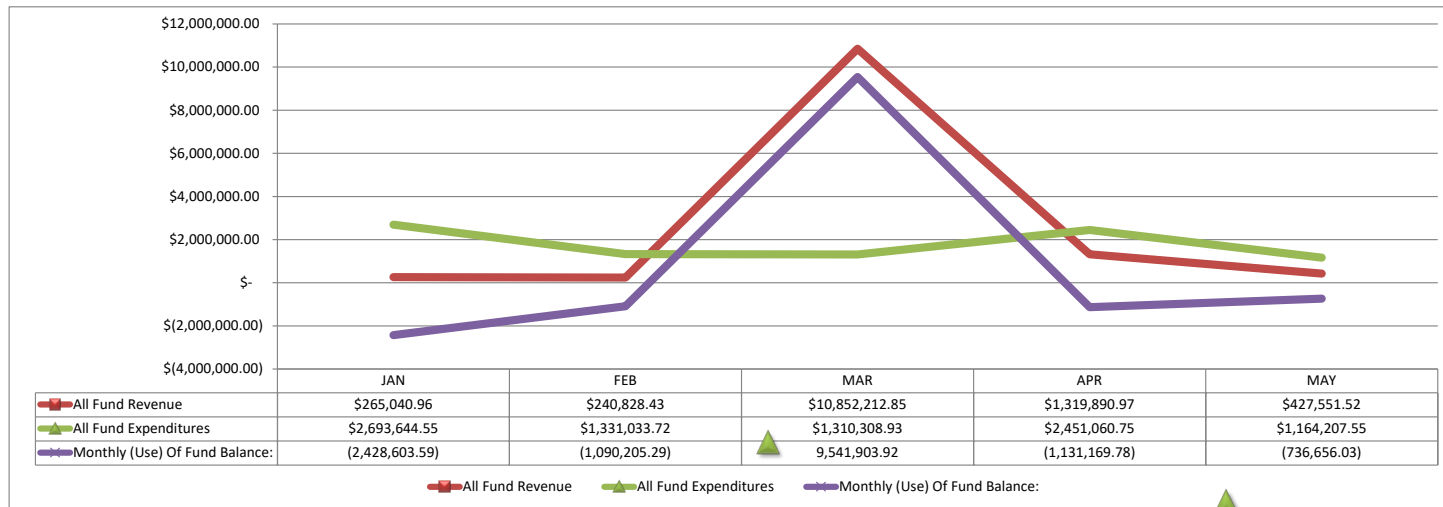


MEDINA COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES MONTHLY CASH FLOW 5/31/2023								
FUND	DESCRIPTION	BEGINNING BALANCE	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	YTD TOTAL
2855	Capital Improvements Revenue		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,873,220.57
2855	Capital Improvements Expenses		\$ 245,512.19	\$ 25,854.28	\$ 182,982.70	\$ 27,297.50	\$ 13,662.80	\$ 495,309.47
	Total Cash Available:	\$ 5,873,220.57	\$ 5,627,708.38	\$ 5,601,854.10	\$ 5,418,871.40	\$ 5,391,573.90	\$ 5,377,911.10	\$ 5,377,911.10
2856	Capital Sales Tax Revenue		\$ 6,541.77	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7,471.85	\$ -	\$ 25,730.04
2856	Capital Sales Tax Expenses		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total Cash Available:	\$ 11,716.42	\$ 18,258.19	\$ 18,258.19	\$ 18,258.19	\$ 25,730.04	\$ 25,730.04	\$ 25,730.04
3300	General Fund Revenue		\$ 258,499.19	\$ 240,828.43	\$ 10,847,426.85	\$ 1,312,419.12	\$ 427,344.02	\$ 41,339,241.45
3300	General Fund Expenditures		\$ 2,446,927.96	\$ 1,304,867.70	\$ 1,127,326.23	\$ 2,423,669.41	\$ 1,150,544.75	\$ 8,453,336.05
	Total Cash Available:	\$ 28,252,723.84	\$ 26,064,295.07	\$ 25,000,255.80	\$ 34,720,356.42	\$ 33,609,106.13	\$ 32,885,905.40	\$ 32,885,905.40
3315	Donated Fund Revenue		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,786.00	\$ -	\$ 207.50	\$ 98,654.88
3315	Donated Fund Expenditures		\$ 1,204.40	\$ 311.74	\$ -	\$ 93.84	\$ -	\$ 1,609.98
	Total Cash Available:	\$ 93,661.38	\$ 92,456.98	\$ 92,145.24	\$ 96,931.24	\$ 96,837.40	\$ 97,044.90	\$ 97,044.90
ALL	All Fund Revenue		\$ 265,040.96	\$ 240,828.43	\$ 10,852,212.85	\$ 1,319,890.97	\$ 427,551.52	\$ 47,336,846.94
ALL	All Fund Expenditures		\$ 2,693,644.55	\$ 1,331,033.72	\$ 1,310,308.93	\$ 2,451,060.75	\$ 1,164,207.55	\$ 8,950,255.50
	Total Cash Available:	\$ 34,231,322.21	\$ 31,802,718.62	\$ 30,712,513.33	\$ 40,254,417.25	\$ 39,123,247.47	\$ 38,386,591.44	\$ 38,386,591.44
check			31,802,718.62	30,712,513.33	40,254,417.25	39,123,247.47	38,386,591.44	38,386,591.44

Monthly (Use) Of Fund Balance: (2,428,603.59) (1,090,205.29) 9,541,903.92 (1,131,169.78) (736,656.03) 4,155,269.23

FOOTNOTES:

(1) Funds held at NEON are not included here since money available is already included as a transfer from Fund 3300, earmarked for Supported Living and Family Support Services (NEON balance 5/31/23: \$189,608.54)



Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
AC PASSAGE ENTERPRIS			
CRC-NMT-02/26/23-03/31/23		\$ 1,905.57	\$ 1,905.57
AC PASSAGE ENTERPRIS Total		\$ 1,905.57	\$ 1,905.57
ACADEMY OF NUTRITION			
DS-ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES-06/01/23-05/31/24		\$ 264.00	\$ 264.00
ACADEMY OF NUTRITION Total		\$ 264.00	\$ 264.00
AIRGAS USA LLC			
NU-ANNUAL OXYGEN TANK RENTAL FEES-04/1/23-04/30/23		\$ 27.90	\$ 27.90
AIRGAS USA LLC Total		\$ 27.90	\$ 27.90
ALONOVUS CORP			
PR-ADVERTISING & PRINTING-04/13/23		\$ 549.75	\$ 549.75
ALONOVUS CORP Total		\$ 549.75	\$ 549.75
AMAZON			
M-MATERIALS		\$ 175.92	\$ 175.92
AMAZON Total		\$ 175.92	\$ 175.92
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVI			
A-SUPPLIES		\$ 532.08	\$ 532.08
BO-SUPPLIES		\$ 161.10	\$ 161.10
CE-SUPPLIES		\$ 14.98	\$ 14.98
CR-SUPPLIES		\$ 34.24	\$ 34.24
CS-SUPPLIES		\$ 51.80	\$ 51.80
EI-SUPPLIES		\$ 345.60	\$ 345.60
IT-SUPPLIES		\$ 214.03	\$ 214.03
M-MATERIALS		\$ 52.23	\$ 52.23
M-SUPPLIES		\$ 240.42	\$ 240.42
SA/ES-SUPPLIES		\$ 196.03	\$ 196.03
SA-SUPPLIES		\$ 13.97	\$ 13.97
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVI Total		\$ 1,856.48	\$ 1,856.48
AMERICAN RED CROSS H			
CS-FIRST AID/CPR-03/14/23-04/14/23 (DH/NR)		\$ 396.00	\$ 396.00
CS-FIRST AID/CPR-03/30/23-04/25/23 (PW/NR/DH)		\$ 216.00	\$ 216.00
CS-FIRST AID/CPR-03/31/23-04/11/23 (PW/NR/DH)		\$ 252.00	\$ 252.00
CS-FIRST AID/CPR-04/24/23-05/03/23 (NR/DH/PW)		\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
AMERICAN RED CROSS H Total		\$ 1,044.00	\$ 1,044.00
APOLLO PEST CONTROL			
M-PEST CONTROL SVCS-04/27/23		\$ 88.00	\$ 88.00
APOLLO PEST CONTROL Total		\$ 88.00	\$ 88.00
ARMSTRONG CABLE SERV			
AT/M-INTERNET SERVICES-05/15/23-06/14/23		\$ 304.90	\$ 304.90
ARMSTRONG CABLE SERV Total		\$ 304.90	\$ 304.90
B & H PHOTO			
EI-SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT		\$ 1,132.11	\$ 1,132.11
IT-SUPPLIES		\$ 880.60	\$ 880.60
B & H PHOTO Total		\$ 2,012.71	\$ 2,012.71
BATES CAREY			
BO-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 158.92	\$ 158.92
BATES CAREY Total		\$ 158.92	\$ 158.92
BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIE			
CRC-SUMMER CAMPSHIP (RA)		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIE Total		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
BEYOND WORDS MUSIC A			
CRC-SUMMER CAMPERSHIP (CH)		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
CRC-SUMMER CAMPERSHIP (KS)		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
CRC-SUMMER CAMPERSHIP (KW)		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
BEYOND WORDS MUSIC A Total		\$ 900.00	\$ 900.00
BIADA NICHOLAS			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 68.78	\$ 68.78
BIADA NICHOLAS Total		\$ 68.78	\$ 68.78
BOUNDLESS COMMUNITY			
CRC-ADS-02/01/23-02/28/23 (JM/CB/WC/SD/MF)		\$ 2,783.60	\$ 2,783.60
CRC-ADS-03/01/23-03/30/23 (CB/WC/SD/MF)		\$ 2,887.36	\$ 2,887.36
CRC-NMT-02/01/23-02/28/23 (CB/WC/SD/JM)		\$ 1,867.41	\$ 1,867.41
CRC-NMT-03/01/23-03/30/23 (CB/WC/SD/JM)		\$ 1,302.08	\$ 1,302.08
BOUNDLESS COMMUNITY Total		\$ 8,840.45	\$ 8,840.45
BRITTCO LLC			
IT-SOFTWARE MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION-MAY 23		\$ 3,550.00	\$ 3,550.00
BRITTCO LLC Total		\$ 3,550.00	\$ 3,550.00
BUEHLERS FOOD MARKET			
FSLP-CAFETERIA GROCERIES/DS-SUPPLIES-04/19/23		\$ 42.81	\$ 42.81
BUEHLERS FOOD MARKET Total		\$ 42.81	\$ 42.81
CALL JENIFER			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 145.08	\$ 145.08
CALL JENIFER Total		\$ 145.08	\$ 145.08
CARABALLO JERAMEE			
BO-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 142.79	\$ 142.79
CARABALLO JERAMEE Total		\$ 142.79	\$ 142.79
CENTER FOR MARKETING			
PR-2023 MEDINA COUNTY POLL		\$ 6,750.00	\$ 6,750.00
CENTER FOR MARKETING Total		\$ 6,750.00	\$ 6,750.00
COCA-COLA BOTTLING C			
DS-VENDING MACHINE INVENTORY		\$ 361.98	\$ 361.98
COCA-COLA BOTTLING C Total		\$ 361.98	\$ 361.98
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO			
M-GAS-03/16/23-04/14/23		\$ 944.12	\$ 944.12
COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO Total		\$ 944.12	\$ 944.12
CONSTELLATION NEWENE			
M-GAS-MAR 23		\$ 1,126.90	\$ 1,126.90
CONSTELLATION NEWENE Total		\$ 1,126.90	\$ 1,126.90
CONSUMER SUPPORT SER			
CRC-NMT-03/01/23-03/31/23 (MH/AS/CW)		\$ 1,598.22	\$ 1,598.22
CRC-NMT-04/03/23-04/28/23 (MH/AS/CW)		\$ 1,331.85	\$ 1,331.85
CS-HPC DSP RETENTION SUPPORT AGENCY PROVIDERS		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
CONSUMER SUPPORT SER Total		\$ 5,930.07	\$ 5,930.07
CRITZER KELLY			
OT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 205.61	\$ 205.61
CRITZER KELLY Total		\$ 205.61	\$ 205.61
CROSS CREEK APARTMEN			
CRC-RENTAL ASSISTANCE-JUN 23 (LM)		\$ 512.00	\$ 512.00
CROSS CREEK APARTMEN Total		\$ 512.00	\$ 512.00
DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF			
DENTAL PREMIUM-JUN 23		\$ 9,295.06	\$ 9,295.06
DENTAL PREMIUM-MAY 23		\$ 9,808.71	\$ 9,808.71
DELTA DENTAL PLAN OF Total		\$ 19,103.77	\$ 19,103.77

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
DERGA ANDREW			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 95.63	\$ 95.63
DERGA ANDREW Total		\$ 95.63	\$ 95.63
E.S. BEVERIDGE & ASS			
HR-COBRA ADMIN SERVICES-MAY 23		\$ 102.00	\$ 102.00
E.S. BEVERIDGE & ASS Total		\$ 102.00	\$ 102.00
EASTER SEALS NORTHER			
CRC-ADS-04/05/23-04/28/23 (MS)		\$ 432.50	\$ 432.50
CRC-NMT-04/05/23-04/28/23 (MS)		\$ 409.80	\$ 409.80
EASTER SEALS NORTHER Total		\$ 842.30	\$ 842.30
FAIRLAWNGIG			
M-BUSINESS STATIC 13/BUSINESS BASIC-5/16-6/15/23		\$ 571.00	\$ 571.00
FAIRLAWNGIG Total		\$ 571.00	\$ 571.00
FINNERTY ANNMARIE			
A-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 161.05	\$ 161.05
FINNERTY ANNMARIE Total		\$ 161.05	\$ 161.05
FIRST COMMUNICATIONS			
M-TELEPHONE-MAY 23		\$ 2,739.50	\$ 2,739.50
FIRST COMMUNICATIONS Total		\$ 2,739.50	\$ 2,739.50
FUNCTIONAL SPORTS PE			
CRC-SUMMER CAMPSHIP (SD)		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
FUNCTIONAL SPORTS PE Total		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
GENE PTACEK & SON FI			
M-ANNUAL F/E INSPECTION		\$ 324.85	\$ 324.85
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS		\$ 548.50	\$ 548.50
M-SPRINKLER FIRE PUMP TEST & INSPECTION		\$ 835.00	\$ 835.00
M-SPRINKLER SYSTEM INSPECTION-5 YR/GAUGE WATER/AIR		\$ 1,428.00	\$ 1,428.00
GENE PTACEK & SON FI Total		\$ 3,136.35	\$ 3,136.35
GOLD CARE SERVICES			
CRC-RESPIRE SERVICES-APR 23 (KB)		\$ 960.00	\$ 960.00
GOLD CARE SERVICES Total		\$ 960.00	\$ 960.00
GORDON FOOD SERVICE			
CR-SUPPLIES (FIELD DAY-05/18/23)		\$ 32.97	\$ 32.97
CS-SUPPLIES-CATERING-DSP SPRING APPRECIATION EVENT		\$ 320.98	\$ 320.98
FSLP-CAFE. GROCERIES/DS-SUPPLIES-05/04/23		\$ 239.06	\$ 239.06
FSLP-CAFETERIA GROCERIES-04/26/23		\$ 309.66	\$ 309.66
FSLP-CAFETERIA GROCERIES-05/11/23		\$ 4.49	\$ 4.49
FSLP-CAFETERIA GROCERIES-05/12/23		\$ 114.38	\$ 114.38
GORDON FOOD SERVICE Total		\$ 1,021.54	\$ 1,021.54
GRAPHIC ENTERPRISES			
ASM-COPIER MAINTENANCE-03/23/23-04/22/23		\$ 200.31	\$ 200.31
COPIER MAINTENANCE-03/28/23-04/27/23		\$ 1,061.76	\$ 1,061.76
PRINTER MAINTENANCE-04/01/23-04/30/23		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
PRINTER MAINTENANCE-05/01/23-05/31/23		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
GRAPHIC ENTERPRISES Total		\$ 2,262.07	\$ 2,262.07
GREEN CATHERINE			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 194.01	\$ 194.01
GREEN CATHERINE Total		\$ 194.01	\$ 194.01
GRZYBOWSKI SAMANTHA			
CE-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 288.72	\$ 288.72
GRZYBOWSKI SAMANTHA Total		\$ 288.72	\$ 288.72
HARTMAN DAVE			
A-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 163.45	\$ 163.45
HARTMAN DAVE Total		\$ 163.45	\$ 163.45

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
HARTMAN SARAH			
AT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 86.46	\$ 86.46
HARTMAN SARAH Total		\$ 86.46	\$ 86.46
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SE			
M-EQUIPMENT (WASHING MACHINE)		\$ 468.00	\$ 468.00
M-MATERIALS		\$ 251.20	\$ 251.20
M-SUPPLIES		\$ 617.84	\$ 617.84
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SE Total		\$ 1,337.04	\$ 1,337.04
HOWARD JEN			
EI-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 131.00	\$ 131.00
HOWARD JEN Total		\$ 131.00	\$ 131.00
HUMPHREY DEBBIE			
EI-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 328.16	\$ 328.16
HUMPHREY DEBBIE Total		\$ 328.16	\$ 328.16
INCLUSIVE TLC			
PS/SA-HELPKIDZLEARN.COM USER LICENSES (5)		\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00
INCLUSIVE TLC Total		\$ 255.00	\$ 255.00
INDEPENDENT EMPLOYME			
CRC-NMT-04/02/23-04/15/23		\$ 1,393.32	\$ 1,393.32
CRC-NMT-04/16/23-04/29/23		\$ 1,639.20	\$ 1,639.20
INDEPENDENT EMPLOYME Total		\$ 3,032.52	\$ 3,032.52
INTERVENTION FOR PEA			
CRC-ADS-04/05/23-04/26/23 (LC)		\$ 173.00	\$ 173.00
CRC-NMT-04/05/23-04/26/23 (LC)		\$ 163.92	\$ 163.92
INTERVENTION FOR PEA Total		\$ 336.92	\$ 336.92
INVO HEALTHCARE ASSO			
OT-COTA SERVICES-03/01/23-03/25/23		\$ 3,956.00	\$ 3,956.00
OT-COTA SERVICES-04/02/23-04/29/23		\$ 4,784.00	\$ 4,784.00
INVO HEALTHCARE ASSO Total		\$ 8,740.00	\$ 8,740.00
IRON MOUNTAIN INC			
A-STORAGE/SERVICE PERIOD-03/29/23-05/31/23		\$ 381.00	\$ 381.00
IRON MOUNTAIN INC Total		\$ 381.00	\$ 381.00
JACK CONNIE			
AT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 95.63	\$ 95.63
JACK CONNIE Total		\$ 95.63	\$ 95.63
JAEGER AMBER			
EI-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 309.75	\$ 309.75
JAEGER AMBER Total		\$ 309.75	\$ 309.75
JOHNSON CONTROLS SEC			
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (AUTOMATIC DIALER REPAIR)		\$ 903.95	\$ 903.95
M-FIRE ALARM SERVICE CONTRACT-06/01/23-08/31/23		\$ 313.03	\$ 313.03
JOHNSON CONTROLS SEC Total		\$ 1,216.98	\$ 1,216.98
JOHNSON SABRINA			
SSAS-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 158.86	\$ 158.86
JOHNSON SABRINA Total		\$ 158.86	\$ 158.86
JOHNSON-LAUX CONSTRU			
CI-FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT & UPGRADES-PMT #5	\$ 13,662.80		\$ 13,662.80
JOHNSON-LAUX CONSTRU Total	\$ 13,662.80		\$ 13,662.80
JOY OF MEDINA COUNTY			
PR-ADVERTISING & PRINTING-JUN 23		\$ 245.00	\$ 245.00
JOY OF MEDINA COUNTY Total		\$ 245.00	\$ 245.00
KAPTEIN MEGAN			
PT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 233.70	\$ 233.70
KAPTEIN MEGAN Total		\$ 233.70	\$ 233.70
KIRKPATRICK SHERRI			

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
BO-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 67.99	\$ 67.99
KIRKPATRICK SHERRI Total		\$ 67.99	\$ 67.99
LANGUAGE LEARNING AS			
SP/OT/PT-THERAPY SERVICES-FEB/MAR/APR 23		\$ 17,568.29	\$ 17,568.29
LANGUAGE LEARNING AS Total		\$ 17,568.29	\$ 17,568.29
LAUREL HILL APARTME			
CRC-RENTAL ASSISTANCE-JUN 23 (TG)		\$ 198.00	\$ 198.00
LAUREL HILL APARTME Total		\$ 198.00	\$ 198.00
LINO DANIELLE			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 495.97	\$ 495.97
LINO DANIELLE Total		\$ 495.97	\$ 495.97
MAIN STREET MEDINA			
CR-KIDS DAY OF SAFETY & PLAY BOOTH SPACE-06/03/23		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
MAIN STREET MEDINA Total		\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
MAJKRZAK ASHLEY			
EI-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 368.25	\$ 368.25
MAJKRZAK ASHLEY Total		\$ 368.25	\$ 368.25
MAJKRZAK THOMAS			
BO-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 136.24	\$ 136.24
MAJKRZAK THOMAS Total		\$ 136.24	\$ 136.24
MALECKAR STACEY			
A-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 192.24	\$ 192.24
A-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 157.61	\$ 157.61
MALECKAR STACEY Total		\$ 349.85	\$ 349.85
MANSOUR GAVIN LPA			
HR-LEGAL SERVICES-MAR 23		\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00
MANSOUR GAVIN LPA Total		\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00
MCGARVEY STACY			
CS-MED CERT TRAINING PRESENTATIONS-04/12,13,&19/23		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
MCGARVEY STACY Total		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
MEDICALESHP INC			
EI-EQUIPMENT (MOBILE STANDERS)		\$ 6,530.00	\$ 6,530.00
EI-EQUIPMENT (PACER GAIT TRAINERS)		\$ 7,315.00	\$ 7,315.00
MEDICALESHP INC Total		\$ 13,845.00	\$ 13,845.00
MEDINA COUNTY COMMIS			
M-2023-2024 PROPERTY INSURANCE COSTS		\$ 13,199.89	\$ 13,199.89
MEDINA COUNTY COMMIS Total		\$ 13,199.89	\$ 13,199.89
MEDINA COUNTY SANITA			
M-WATER/SEWER-03/14/23-04/30/23		\$ 1,271.92	\$ 1,271.92
MEDINA COUNTY SANITA Total		\$ 1,271.92	\$ 1,271.92
MEDINA COUNTY SENIOR			
SSA-2023 NETWORK MEMBERSHIP FOR TWO STAFF		\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
MEDINA COUNTY SENIOR Total		\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
MEDINA COUNTY TRANSI			
CRC-NMT-APR 23		\$ 4,285.75	\$ 4,285.75
MEDINA COUNTY TRANSI Total		\$ 4,285.75	\$ 4,285.75

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
MEDINA CREATIVE ACCE			
CRC-ADS-03/01/23-03/29/23 (DG)		\$ 302.75	\$ 302.75
CRC-ADS-03/01/23-03/29/23 (JM)		\$ 346.00	\$ 346.00
CRC-ADS-03/03/23-03/27/23 (MW)		\$ 330.43	\$ 330.43
CRC-ADS-03/03/23-03/31/23 (LJ)		\$ 865.00	\$ 865.00
CRC-ADS-03/07/23-03/30/23 (BB)		\$ 216.25	\$ 216.25
CRC-ADS-03/28/23 (GC)		\$ 8.65	\$ 8.65
CRC-ADS-04/01/23-04/29/23 (JM)		\$ 389.25	\$ 389.25
CRC-ADS-04/04/23-04/25/23 (DG)		\$ 302.75	\$ 302.75
CRC-ADS-04/04/23-04/28/23 (AK)		\$ 302.75	\$ 302.75
CRC-ADS-04/06/23-04/27/23 (BB)		\$ 259.50	\$ 259.50
CRC-ADS-04/07/23-04/28/23 (MW)		\$ 302.75	\$ 302.75
CRC-ADS-04/19/23-04/26/23 (GC)		\$ 81.31	\$ 81.31
CRC-ADS-04/21/23-04/29/23 (LJ)		\$ 821.75	\$ 821.75
CRC-NMT-03/07/23-03/30/23 (BB)		\$ 102.45	\$ 102.45
CRC-NMT-04/04/23-04/28/23 (AK)		\$ 286.86	\$ 286.86
CRC-NMT-04/06/23-04/27/23 (BB)		\$ 122.94	\$ 122.94
MEDINA CREATIVE ACCE Total		\$ 5,041.39	\$ 5,041.39
MEDINA CREATIVE HOUS			
CRC-HOUSING SUBSIDY-APR 23		\$ 911.43	\$ 911.43
CRC-HOUSING SUBSIDY-FEB 23		\$ 632.15	\$ 632.15
CRC-HOUSING SUBSIDY-JAN 23		\$ 509.90	\$ 509.90
CRC-HOUSING SUBSIDY-MAR 23		\$ 817.80	\$ 817.80
CRC-HOUSING SUBSIDY-MAY 23		\$ 1,229.70	\$ 1,229.70
MEDINA CREATIVE HOUS Total		\$ 4,100.98	\$ 4,100.98
MIDWEST INNOVATIONS			
CRC-ADS-04/10/23-04/14/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 678.71	\$ 678.71
CRC-ADS-04/17/23-04/21/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 649.54	\$ 649.54
CRC-ADS-04/24/23-04/28/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 732.33	\$ 732.33
CRC-ADS-05/01/23-05/05/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 794.55	\$ 794.55
CRC-ADS-05/08/23-05/12/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 730.60	\$ 730.60
CRC-NMT-04/10/23-04/14/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 266.37	\$ 266.37
CRC-NMT-04/17/23-04/21/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 327.84	\$ 327.84
CRC-NMT-04/24/23-04/28/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 307.35	\$ 307.35
CRC-NMT-05/01/23-05/05/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 327.84	\$ 327.84
CRC-NMT-05/08/23-05/12/23 (JS/JH)		\$ 307.35	\$ 307.35
DS-FOOD SERVICES ASSISTANCE-APR 23		\$ 123.50	\$ 123.50
M-CLEANING SERVICES-APR 23		\$ 416.00	\$ 416.00
MIDWEST INNOVATIONS Total		\$ 5,661.98	\$ 5,661.98
MILESTONES AUTISM RE			
SSA-REGISTRATION FEE-06/14/23-06/15/23 (CL)		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
MILESTONES AUTISM RE Total		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
MINUTEMAN PRESS			
A-PRINTING (THANK YOU ENVELOPES)		\$ 286.01	\$ 286.01
CR-ICE CREAM SOCIAL-06/22/23 (GENERAL FLYERS)		\$ 78.69	\$ 78.69
CR-PRINTING (ICE CREAM SOCIAL FLYERS/POSTERS)		\$ 417.11	\$ 417.11
MINUTEMAN PRESS Total		\$ 781.81	\$ 781.81
MURAT TOBIE			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 54.95	\$ 54.95
MURAT TOBIE Total		\$ 54.95	\$ 54.95
NEON			
A-ROOT CONSULTING - MAY 23		\$ 129.60	\$ 129.60
A-ROOT CONSULTING-MAR 23		\$ 129.60	\$ 129.60
SSA-PCR MILEAGE (CE)		\$ 129.69	\$ 129.69
NEON Total		\$ 388.89	\$ 388.89

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
NEWCOMER-HAAS JENNIF			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 157.59	\$ 157.59
NEWCOMER-HAAS JENNIF Total		\$ 157.59	\$ 157.59
NORTHERN MEDINA COUN			
CE-2023 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE		\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
CE-REGISTRATION FEE-05/17/23 (RZ)		\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
NORTHERN MEDINA COUN Total		\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
OHIO ALLIANCE OF DIR			
CS-COUNTY BOARD LICENSE		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
OHIO ALLIANCE OF DIR Total		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
OHIO EDISON COMPANY			
M-ELECTRIC-03/15/23-04/14/23		\$ 10,807.06	\$ 10,807.06
M-ELECTRIC-04/15/23-05/12/23		\$ 8,610.48	\$ 8,610.48
OHIO EDISON COMPANY Total		\$ 19,417.54	\$ 19,417.54
ONEBRIDGE SUPPORT SE			
CRC-ADS-04/04/23-04/27/23 (MW)		\$ 152.24	\$ 152.24
ONEBRIDGE SUPPORT SE Total		\$ 152.24	\$ 152.24
PALASIK MEGAN			
SP-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 667.83	\$ 667.83
SP-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 25.68	\$ 25.68
PALASIK MEGAN Total		\$ 693.51	\$ 693.51
POKRZYWA NIKOLAS			
SSAS-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 57.38	\$ 57.38
POKRZYWA NIKOLAS Total		\$ 57.38	\$ 57.38
REINHARDT SUPPLY COM			
M-SUPPLIES		\$ 1,949.55	\$ 1,949.55
REINHARDT SUPPLY COM Total		\$ 1,949.55	\$ 1,949.55
REPUBLIC SERVICES IN			
M-TRASH-05/01/23-05/31/23		\$ 594.75	\$ 594.75
REPUBLIC SERVICES IN Total		\$ 594.75	\$ 594.75
RITTMAN ORCHARDS			
CRC-SUMMER CAMPSHIP (AG)		\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
RITTMAN ORCHARDS Total		\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
SANDICARE LLC			
CRC-ADS-04/10/23-04/12/23 (MB)		\$ 388.50	\$ 388.50
CRC-ADS-04/17/23-04/19/23 (MB)		\$ 388.50	\$ 388.50
CRC-ADS-04/24/23-04/26/23 (MB)		\$ 388.50	\$ 388.50
CRC-ADS-05/01/23-05/03/23 (MB)		\$ 388.50	\$ 388.50
SANDICARE LLC Total		\$ 1,554.00	\$ 1,554.00
SAXER SHEILA			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 29.41	\$ 29.41
SAXER SHEILA Total		\$ 29.41	\$ 29.41
SCHELL TAYLOR			
SP-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 174.16	\$ 174.16
SCHELL TAYLOR Total		\$ 174.16	\$ 174.16
SCOZZARO CHRISTINE			
EI-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 87.77	\$ 87.77
SCOZZARO CHRISTINE Total		\$ 87.77	\$ 87.77
SECURITEC ONE INC			
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (AUTOMATIC DOORS REPAIRS)		\$ 1,144.00	\$ 1,144.00
SECURITEC ONE INC Total		\$ 1,144.00	\$ 1,144.00
SMITH AMY L			
INT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 243.01	\$ 243.01
SMITH AMY L Total		\$ 243.01	\$ 243.01

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
SMITH BENJAMIN			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 27.12	\$ 27.12
SMITH BENJAMIN Total		\$ 27.12	\$ 27.12
SNACK SANDRA			
PT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 92.22	\$ 92.22
SNACK SANDRA Total		\$ 92.22	\$ 92.22
SOCIETY FOR HANDICAP			
A-OMBUDSMAN SERVICES-APR 23		\$ 1,282.05	\$ 1,282.05
SOCIETY FOR HANDICAP Total		\$ 1,282.05	\$ 1,282.05
SOPKO LISA			
SSA-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 68.12	\$ 68.12
SOPKO LISA Total		\$ 68.12	\$ 68.12
SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF			
SO-SPECIAL OLYMPICS BUDGET-APR 23		\$ 1,167.00	\$ 1,167.00
SO-SPECIAL OLYMPICS BUDGET-MAR 23		\$ 1,167.00	\$ 1,167.00
SPECIAL OLYMPICS OF Total		\$ 2,334.00	\$ 2,334.00
STATE INDUSTRIAL PRO			
M-AIR CARE PROGRAM		\$ 316.68	\$ 316.68
M-WATER TREATMENT PROGRAM -APR 23		\$ 485.39	\$ 485.39
M-WATER TREATMENT PROGRAM-WIFI		\$ 293.89	\$ 293.89
STATE INDUSTRIAL PRO Total		\$ 1,095.96	\$ 1,095.96
SUMMA HEALTH CORP			
HR-STAFF PHYSICAL-04/17/23 (NS)		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
SUMMA HEALTH CORP Total		\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00
SUMMER REINFORCEMENT			
CRC-SUMMER CAMPERSHIPS (BE & GE)		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
SUMMER REINFORCEMENT Total		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
SUMMIT HOUSING DEVEL			
CRC-RENTAL SUBSIDY-JUN 23 (AH)		\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
SUMMIT HOUSING DEVEL Total		\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
TALBERT'S COMMERCIAL			
SSA-SUPPLIES		\$ 140.30	\$ 140.30
TALBERT'S COMMERCIAL Total		\$ 140.30	\$ 140.30
THE GAZETTE			
PR-ADVERTISING & PRINTING-04/08/23		\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
PR-ADVERTISING & PRINTING-04/12/23		\$ 230.00	\$ 230.00
THE GAZETTE Total		\$ 830.00	\$ 830.00
THE GEOPFERT COMPANY			
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (BRD RM ROOF TOP UNIT SVC CALL)		\$ 298.00	\$ 298.00
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (COOLING TOWER REPAIR)		\$ 189.00	\$ 189.00
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (HEAT PUMP REPAIR)		\$ 570.50	\$ 570.50
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (HEAT PUMP REPAIRS-RM 116 & 203)		\$ 788.50	\$ 788.50
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS (HEAT PUMPS REPAIRS)		\$ 679.50	\$ 679.50
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS(COOLING TOWER/HEAT PUMP REPAIR)		\$ 298.00	\$ 298.00
M-CONTRACT REPAIRS-COMPRESSOR REPLACEMENT-RM 309BC		\$ 1,336.00	\$ 1,336.00
THE GEOPFERT COMPANY Total		\$ 4,159.50	\$ 4,159.50
THOMAS JOHN			
SSAS-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 158.68	\$ 158.68
THOMAS JOHN Total		\$ 158.68	\$ 158.68
T-MOBILE			
TELEPHONE-03/29/23-04/28/23		\$ 1,740.39	\$ 1,740.39
T-MOBILE Total		\$ 1,740.39	\$ 1,740.39
TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOL			
A-COPIER MAINTENANCE-03/16/23-04/15/23		\$ 35.12	\$ 35.12
TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOL Total		\$ 35.12	\$ 35.12

Sum of AMOUNT	Fund		
Vendor	2855	3300	Grand Total
TRANSITIONAL LIVING			
CS-EMPLOYEE REFERRAL PROGRAM-DEC 22		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
TRANSITIONAL LIVING Total		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
TREASURER STATE OF O			
CRC-WAIVER LOCAL MATCH-04/01/23-04/30/23 (JM)		\$ 10,555.80	\$ 10,555.80
CRC-WAIVER LOCAL MATCH-04/01/23-04/30/23 (JW)		\$ 3,720.00	\$ 3,720.00
CRC-WAIVER LOCAL MATCH-04/01/23-04/30/23 (KB)		\$ 10,555.80	\$ 10,555.80
CRC-WAIVER LOCAL MATCH-04/01/23-04/30/23 (MD)		\$ 7,844.10	\$ 7,844.10
CRC-WAIVER LOCAL MATCH-04/01/23-04/30/23 (MR)		\$ 3,720.00	\$ 3,720.00
HR-BCI CHECKS & RAPBACKS-APR 23		\$ 378.50	\$ 378.50
TREASURER STATE OF O Total		\$ 36,774.20	\$ 36,774.20
ULINE INC			
M-SUPPLIES		\$ 3,776.56	\$ 3,776.56
ULINE INC Total		\$ 3,776.56	\$ 3,776.56
VASION			
IT-ANNUAL RENEWAL PRINTERLOGIC SUBSCRIPTION		\$ 3,411.00	\$ 3,411.00
VASION Total		\$ 3,411.00	\$ 3,411.00
VIAQUEST DAY AND EMP			
CRC-ADS-03/02/23-03/30/23 (ES/JP)		\$ 735.25	\$ 735.25
CRC-NMT-03/02/23-03/30/23 (ES/JP)		\$ 724.49	\$ 724.49
VIAQUEST DAY AND EMP Total		\$ 1,459.74	\$ 1,459.74
WACHSBERGER DIANA			
SP-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 18.34	\$ 18.34
WACHSBERGER DIANA Total		\$ 18.34	\$ 18.34
WADSWORTH COMMUNICAT			
PR-RADIO UNDERWRITING & ADVERTISING-MAY 23		\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
WADSWORTH COMMUNICAT Total		\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
WALMART COMMUNITY			
EI-SUPPLIES FOR SPRING TODDLER PLAY GROUP-05/22/23		\$ 83.16	\$ 83.16
PS/SA-SUPPLIES		\$ 193.62	\$ 193.62
WALMART COMMUNITY Total		\$ 276.78	\$ 276.78
WEX BANK			
T-GASOLINE-APR/MAY 23		\$ 509.53	\$ 509.53
T-GASOLINE-MAR/APR 23		\$ 406.89	\$ 406.89
WEX BANK Total		\$ 916.42	\$ 916.42
WHEELER PAM			
CS-TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 123.14	\$ 123.14
WHEELER PAM Total		\$ 123.14	\$ 123.14
WINDFALL INDUSTRIES			
A/CE/M-VARIABLE AGREEMENT-MAR 23		\$ 3,755.97	\$ 3,755.97
CRC-ADS-MAR 23		\$ 1,211.00	\$ 1,211.00
CRC-INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT-JAN/FEB 23		\$ 125.40	\$ 125.40
CRC-INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT-MAR 23		\$ 592.80	\$ 592.80
CRC-INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT-NOV/DEC 22		\$ 22.80	\$ 22.80
CRC-NMT-FEB 23		\$ 143.43	\$ 143.43
CRC-NMT-MAR 23		\$ 5,552.79	\$ 5,552.79
WINDFALL INDUSTRIES Total		\$ 11,404.19	\$ 11,404.19
WOLFF BROTHERS SUPPL			
M-MATERIALS		\$ 26.47	\$ 26.47
WOLFF BROTHERS SUPPL Total		\$ 26.47	\$ 26.47
YOHMAN LINDA			
INT-MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT		\$ 49.13	\$ 49.13
YOHMAN LINDA Total		\$ 49.13	\$ 49.13
Grand Total	\$ 13,662.80	\$ 258,399.64	\$ 272,062.44

Financial Statements for the month of May 2023

The following financial reports are submitted for acceptance by the Board of the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities:

1. **Statement of Revenue for the period ending May 31, 2023.**
2. **Statement of Expenses for the period ending May 31, 2023.**
3. **Statement of Cash Balance for the period ending May 31, 2023.**
4. **Statement of Monthly Cash Flow for period ending May 31, 2023.**
5. **Voucher Reports for the month of May 2023.**

By: _____

Carey A. Bates, Director of Business

Date

By: _____

Stacey Maleckar, Superintendent

Date

Note: There should be a motion and a roll call vote to accept the statements as presented.



RESOLUTION #24-23

June 26, 2023

ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2023

A motion was made by _____, and seconded by _____, to authorize the Board to accept the financial reports for the month of May, 2023.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AND ASSIGNED RESOLUTION #24-23.

Board Chair
Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities

ENROLLEE STATS - GATEKEEPER 2023

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Personnel Control Report
As of 06-14-23

Non-union
OEA Union
AFSCME Union (SSAs only)

Authorized Working Titles	Board Authorized Positions	Superintendent Authorized Positions	Number Positions Filled	Number of Openings	Comments Board Approved Resolutions
Administrative & Support Staff					
Superintendent	1	1	1	0	
Assistant Superintendent	1	1	1	0	
Executive Administrator	1	1	1	0	
Director of Business	1	1	1	0	
Director of Human Resources	1	1	1	0	
Conf Financial Data Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Confidential Business Clerk	1	1	1	0	
Human Resources Clerk	1	1	1	0	
Administrative Assistant	1	1	1	0	
Records Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Medicaid Services Manager	1	1	1	0	
Community Relations Manager	1	1	1	0	
Financial Waiver Data Specialist	2	2	2	0	
Community Relations Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Community Relations Associate	1	1	1	0	
Human Resources Specialist	1	1	1	0	
File Clerk	2	2	2	0	
SUB TOTAL	19	19	19	0	
Educational Staff					
Children's Services Director	1	1	1	0	
Assistant Children's Services Dir	1	1	1	0	
Early Intervention Coordinator	1	1	1	0	
Confidential Secretary	1	1	1	0	
Secretary	1	1	1	0	
Intervention Specialists	12	12	12	0	
Instructor Assistants	11	11	11	0	
Language Dev. Specialists	3	3	3	0	
Physical Therapists	2	2	2	0	
Positive Support Specialists	2	2	2	0	
School Nurse	1	1	1	0	
Occupational Therapists	2	2	2	0	
Licensed P.T. Assistant	1	1	1	0	
Developmental Specialists	5	5	5	0	
SUB TOTAL	44	44	44	0	
Transportation					
Equipment Manager	1	1	1	0	
SUB TOTAL	1	1	1	0	
Community Services & Development					
Director of Community Services	0	0	0	0	Abolished 4-23
Director of Community Supports & Dev	1	1	1	0	
Director of Community Development	0	0	0	0	Abolished 3-23
Confidential Secretary	1	1	1	0	
Community Projects Supervisor	1	1	1	0	
Community Supports Manager	1	1	1	0	

*Temporary Contract (TC)

Authorized Working Titles	Board Authorized Positions	Superintendent Authorized Positions	Number Positions Filled	Number of Openings	
Community Services & Development					
Health Services Coordinator	1	1	1	0	
Secretaries	1	1	1	0	
Employment Navigator	1	1	1	0	
Economic Developer	1	1	1	0	
Special Olympics Coordinator	1	1	1	0	
Community Resource Coordinator	3	3	3	0	
Individual Supports Coordinator	1	1	1	0	
Assistive Technology Assistant	1	1	1	0	
Training and Compliance Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Quality Support Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Provider Relations/Fam Sup Spec	1	1	1	0	
Assistive Technology Specialist	1	1	1	0	
Community Support Specialist	5	5	5	0	
SUB TOTAL	23	23	23	0	
Service & Support Admin					
Srv & Support Adm Director	1	1	1	0	
Srv & Support Adm Managers	3	3	3	0	
Secretary	1	1	1	0	
Eligibility Specialists	2	2	2	0	
Eligibility Assistant	1	1	1	0	
Investigative Agent	2	2	2	0	
Service and Support Administrators	29	29	28	1	Interviews are in process
SUB TOTAL	39	39	38	1	
Maintenance					
Director of Facilities and Information Tech	1	1	1	0	
Operations Floater	3	3	3	0	
Facility Activities Manager	1	1	1	0	
Maintenance Repairmen	2	2	2	0	
Custodians	4	4	4	0	
Cooks	1	1	1	0	
Network Administrator	1	1	1	0	
IT Help Desk	1	1	1	0	
SUB TOTAL	14	14	14	0	
AGENCY TOTALS	140	140	139	1	

2023 Action Plan Dashboard

JUNE 2023

Barriers to completing
by end of 2023

Concerns for completing
by end of 2023

On track to complete
by end of 2023

Focus Area One

PROVIDER SUPPORT

Foster collaborative environments which promote understanding and trust to empower providers in service provision.



DSP Workforce Crisis

Collaborative Provider
Network

Culture of Excellence

Provider capacity

Highlights and Concerns

1. MCBDD has signed a contract with the Ohio Alliance of DSP's (OADSP) to implement a DSP curriculum into a current Education program at Medina County Career Center (MCCC). MCBDD, OADSP and MCCC have met with 5 providers who are interested in being intern sites for students in the 2023-2024 school year.
2. SSAs continue to build relationships with providers and have sent 202 postcards in the 2nd quarter to acknowledge the hard work done by providers.
3. The Employee Resource Committee has revised the Culture of Excellence guideline. Also, a 3- hour training focusing on customer service and relationships has been scheduled for staff in-service in October. Staff also participated in a "summer kick-off" activity with co-workers from different departments to build internal relationships.
4. Eight interested providers have been trained and are certified in Career Planning. Guidelines to assist in employment services have been created to support SSAs and providers with submitting referrals, reports, billing, and collaboration with the Employment Navigator.

Helping People. Building Relationships. **TOGETHER.**

Community Engagement

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June 26, 2023

1. Free Ice Cream Social on Medina Square/Weekend Update from Mike Kovack, Realtor, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services/June 15, 2023
2. Medina High School Graduate Receives Scholarship/The Gazette/June 13, 2023
3. The 2023 MCBDD Donor Scholarship Recipient Is Jenna Shubrowsky (\$1500 Donor Scholarship)/Free! Ice Cream Social/Wadsworth Area Chamber of Commerce/June 12, 2023
4. Ice Screaming on the Square/The Post/June 10, 2023
5. CONGRATULATIONS! Class of 2023/2023 MCBDD Donor Scholarship Awarded/FREE Community Ice Cream Social/Safety Town PLUS+ Open/The Gazette/June 10, 2023
6. MCBDD Offers Safety Town for Children with Special Needs/Medina County Commissioners' Newsletter/June 9, 2023
7. Got Papers? Come Shred with Us!/Medina County Commissioners' Newsletter/June 9, 2023
8. Ice Screaming on the Square/The Post/June 8, 2023
9. Free Community Shred Day/Weekend Update from Mike Kovack, Realtor, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services/June 8, 2023
10. 40 Years of Medals: Special Olympics Runs on Fun and Friendly Competition in Medina/Cleveland.com/June 6, 2023
11. SAFETY TOWN PLUS+/Wadsworth Area Chamber of Commerce/June 5, 2023
12. Going for the Gold Medal/The Gazette/June 5, 2023
13. WINDFALL SCHOOL GRADUATES/The Gazette/June 3, 2023
14. Congratulations Class of 2023/The Gazette/June 3, 2023
15. MCBDD Offering Safety Town for Children with Special Needs/Medina Weekly/June 1, 2023
16. Five Reasons Disability Inclusion Just Makes Sense/The Hinckley Record/June 2023
17. MCBDD Offers Safety Town for Children with Special Needs/The Post/May 30, 2023
18. Organization to Host Annual Safety Town Plus+ Program/The Gazette/May 30, 2023
19. SAFETY TOWN PLUS+/Wadsworth Area chamber of Commerce/May 29, 2023

Community Engagement Continuation

June 26, 2023

20. Got Papers? Come Shred with Us!/The Post/May 27, 2023
21. Going for Gold/Medina Weekly/May 25, 2023
22. Garden Party Offers Playtime for Toddlers/The Gazette/May 23, 2023 (2 pages)
23. Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities to Hold Toddler Garden Party/The Gazette/May 22, 2023
24. KNOW All the Ways Your Child Grows/Need for Services for Young Children Sees 24% Increase/Upcoming Event: LEARN, PLAY, AND GROW PLAYGROUP/Medina Weekly/May 18, 2023
25. Know All the Ways Your Child Grows/UPCOMING EVENT: Learn, Play, and Grow Playgroup/Services for Young Children Sees 24% Increase/The Gazette/May 13, 2023
26. KNOW All the Ways Your Child Grows/Need for Services for Young Children Sees 24% Increase/Upcoming Events: LEARN, PLAY, AND GROW PLAYGROUP /The Post/May 12, 2023
27. New Project in Medina Aims to Help Access and Inclusion for Individuals with Disabilities/May 11, 2023
28. Medina County Board of DD Offers Play, Learn and Grow Group/The Post/May 11, 2023
29. Kids Ages 0-3 Invited to "Toddler Garden Party"/Medina Weekly/May 11, 2023
30. Your Little One's First Year Journey/Questions About Your Child's Development? We Can Help! We Provide/The Gazette/May 10, 2023
31. Do You Know All The Ways Your Child Grows?/Joy of Medina County Magazine/May 2023
32. 1 In 36 Children Is Diagnosed With a Form of Autism/April Is Autism Acceptance Month/Joy of Medina County Magazine/April 2023
33. What's Next?/MCBDD Informational Sheet
34. MCBDD Info/MCBDD We Can Help/MCSSN Senior Solutions Lifestyle & Planning Guide/Volume 3, 2023-2024 (3 pages)



Weekend Update

from

Mike Kovack, Realtor

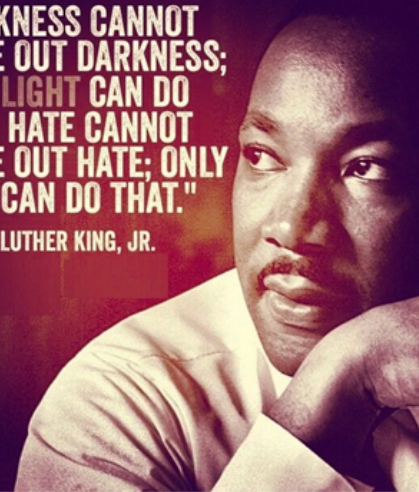
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June 15, 2023

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DRIVE OUT DARKNESS;
ONLY LIGHT CAN DO
THAT. HATE CANNOT
DRIVE OUT HATE; ONLY
LOVE CAN DO THAT."

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.



Free Ice Cream Social on Medina Square

You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream! The **Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD)** is once again hosting a **FREE Community Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on the Medina Public Square** (in case of rain, event will be held at the Medina County Achievement Center, 4691 Windfall Road, Medina). All ages are invited to come and make an ice cream sundae, select their toppings and enjoy an evening of fun family entertainment including carnival games, crafts, activities, character meet-and-greets, contests and prizes.



ALMANAC

The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, June 13, the 164th day of 2023. There are 201 days left in the year.

Today’s history

■ In 1865, Nobel Prize-winning poet-playwright William Butler Yeats was born in Dublin, Ireland.
■ In 1942, a four-man Nazi sabotage team arrived on Long Island, New York, three days before a second four-man team landed in Florida. (All eight men were arrested after two members of the first group defected.)
■ In 1966, the Supreme Court ruled in *Miranda v. Arizona* that criminal suspects had to be informed of their constitutional right to consult with an attorney and to remain silent.
■ In 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated Solicitor-General Thurgood Marshall to become the first Black justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.
■ In 1971, The New York Times began publishing excerpts of the Pentagon Papers, a secret study of America’s involvement in Vietnam from 1945 to 1967 that had been leaked to the paper by military analyst Daniel Ellsberg.
■ In 1977, James Earl Ray, the convicted assassin of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., was recaptured following his escape three days earlier from a Tennessee prison.
■ In 1981, a scare occurred during a parade in London when a teenager fired six blank shots at Queen Elizabeth II.
■ In 1983, the U.S. space probe Pioneer 10, launched in 1972, became the first spacecraft to leave the solar system as it crossed the orbit of Neptune.
■ In 1996, the 81-day-old Freemen standoff ended as 16 remaining members of the anti-government group surrendered to the FBI and left their Montana ranch.
■ In 1997, a jury voted unanimously to give Timothy McVeigh the death penalty for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing. The Chicago Bulls

captured their fifth NBA championship in seven years with a 90-86 victory over the Utah Jazz in game six.
■ In 2005, a jury in Santa Maria, California, acquitted Michael Jackson of molesting a 13-year-old cancer survivor at his Neverland ranch.
■ In 2013, the White House said it had conclusive evidence that Syrian President Bashar Assad’s regime had used chemical weapons against opposition forces seeking to overthrow the government.
■ In 2016, a day after the Orlando, Florida, nightclub shooting rampage that claimed 49 victims, Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton offered drastically different proposals for stemming the threat of terrorism and gun violence; Trump focused heavily on the nation’s immigration system (even though the shooter was U.S. born) and redoubled his call for temporarily banning Muslims from the United States, while Clinton said that as president she would prioritize stopping “lone wolf” attackers and reiterated her call for banning assault weapons.

Today’s birthdays

Actor Malcolm McDowell is 80. Former U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is 79. Singer Dennis Locorriere is 74. Actor Richard Thomas is 72. Actor Jonathan Hogan is 72. Actor Stellan Skarsgard is 72. Comedian Tim Allen is 70. North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper is 66. Actor Ally Sheedy is 61. TV anchor Hannah Storm is 61. Rock musician Paul De Lisle (Smash Mouth) is 60. Actor Lisa Vidal is 58. Singer David Gray is 55. R&B singer Deniece Pearson (Five Star) is 55. Rock musician Soren Rasted (Aqua) is 54. Actor Jamie Walters is 54. Singer-musician Rivers Cuomo (Weezer) is 53. Country singer Susan Haynes is 51. Actor Steve-O is 49. Country singer Jason Michael Carroll is 45. Actor Ethan Embry is 45. Actor Chris Evans is 42. Actor Sarah Schaub is 40. Singer Raz B is 38. Actor Kat Dennings is 37.

WEATHER

TODAY: Chance of showers then showers..... **66/52**
WEDNESDAY: Showers likely **69/51**
THURSDAY: Mostly sunny, chance of T-storms **74/51**
FRIDAY: Mostly sunny **72/50**

CORRECTIONS & CLARIFICATIONS

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LOTTERY

Ohio (Monday)

Midday Pick 3: 9-6-9, **Pick 3:** 7-8-9,
Midday Pick 4: 1-9-7-3, **Pick 4:** 0-1-1-1,
Midday Pick 5: 2-6-6-3-9, **Pick 5:** 8-2-9-8-9,
Rolling Cash 5: 9-25-28-32-34,
Classic Lotto: 3-6-10-13-22-41, **Kicker:** 6-0-3-7-5-9.
Rolling Cash 5 jackpot is \$140,000.
Classic Lotto jackpot is \$2.3 million.

Lucky for Life

SUNDAY: 14-23-24-36-47, **Lucky Ball:** 5.
MONDAY: Not available at press time.

Mega Millions

FRIDAY: 3-19-53-60-68, **Mega Ball:** 13, **Megaplier:** 3.
Next Mega Millions jackpot is an estimated \$260 million.

Powerball

MONDAY: Not available at press time.
Next Powerball jackpot is an estimated \$324 million.

THE GAZETTE

Tuesday, June 13, 2023, No. 138
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BRUNSWICK

Sunday at The Farm opens for the season

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette

BRUNSWICK — Local vendors selling products like jewelry, candles, crochet art, jams, baked goods, plants and more visited Heritage Farm on Sunday for the first Sunday at The Farm market of the season.

Sunday at The Farm was formerly known as the Brunswick Farmer’s Market and has been going on for the past 10 years. Katie Georgekopoulos, who does the marketing for the event, said the name change was done in order to better reflect what happens at the event.

“We found that we’re not big produce (sellers) because we’re not a farming town,” she said. “(There are) a lot of other things like crafters and events, we want to try to bring on and things for kids to do. We figured the name change covered everything that goes on.”

After shopping at the market, visitors could get a tour of Brunswick Area Historical Society’s Heritage Farm Museum, which is a restored home from the 1860s that is full of artifacts. There was



MADISYN WOODRING / GAZETTE

Vendor Terry Hodges puts out plants at the first Sunday at The Farm at Heritage Farm in Brunswick.

also a scavenger hunt for children, in which the goal was to locate specific historical items around the farm.

Inside the barn, guests could enter a raffle to win a handcrafted bench or movie tickets for the movie of their choice.

Local musician Ken Uram played live music for everyone who decided to stop by.

Vendor Samantha Henderson sells sewn or crocheted potholders, washcloths and bowl holders at the market. She has been selling at the

event for about the past five years because the vendors and customers have always been welcoming.

“(My hope is) to see as many people here as we can and to see this farm grow,” she said.

Sunday at The Farm will be taking place every Sunday until Oct. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Heritage Farm at 4613 Laurel Road. Georgekopoulos said there will be many special events taking place throughout the season including Christmas in July, a canine costume contest and a butterfly release.

“My hope for this season is that we can continue to have 25 to 30 vendors minimum per week because everything helps the farm and just to get more community and draw in some more volunteers for the historical society,” she said.

To learn more about upcoming Sunday at The Farm markets, visit bit.ly/3NrVUjj.

Contact reporter Madisyn Woodring at (330) 721-4049 or mwoodring@medina-gazette.com.

ROUNDUP

Medina High School graduate receives scholarship

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities recently announced that Jenna Shubrowsky, a Medina High School graduate, is the MCBDD Donor Scholarship recipient.

The \$1,500 scholarship, which is awarded by the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities Donated Funds Committee, was founded to support people who are pursuing a career that serves individuals with developmental disabilities.

Shubrowsky graduated from Medina High School in May and has already dedicated time to helping individuals with developmental disabilities, devoting much of her time to hands-on endeavors.

She has been an assistant coach for the Special Olympics volleyball team since 2022 and is incredibly supportive of the team members and was proud to see them become state champions during her first year.

Shubrowsky is also involved in her school community and is a member of the Hope Squad, a peer suicide preven-

tion organization. In spring 2023, she partnered with a Hope Squad adviser to modify club and special event activities for her classmates with developmental disabilities.

She also works at both LLA Therapy and ABA Clinic. In her free time, she volunteers at Helping Hands Preschool.

“It’s easy to see, by the activities Jenna is involved in, not only her ability to lead and teach others but also her patience and her deep commitment to helping,” said one of her recommenders in a reference letter.

In the fall, Shubrowsky will be attending Walsh University, where she will study to become an intervention specialist. She plans to attain moderate/intensive licensure, with a goal of, one day, providing services to students from preschool age to high school age.

Senior Strides at Sharon Nature Preserve today

Join park volunteer Connie today for Senior Strides at Sharon Nature Preserve, located at 6734 State Road, from 10-11 a.m.

Senior Strides is a once-a-month social hike where participants go on one- to two-mile walks. Those participating should dress for the weather and wear appropriate footwear. No registration is required for the free program.

Wadsworth Public Library events this week

■ **Pajama Story Time on Wednesday:** Head to Wadsworth Library, 132 Broad St., from 6:30-7 p.m. Wednesday in pajamas and with a stuffed animal for a pajama story time.

■ **Pop-Up Library in the Park on Thursday:** Join Wadsworth Library at Valley View Park, 618 West St., from 1-3 p.m. for some fairy tale fun during its Pop-Up Library. The library will feature a read-aloud from a popular fairy tale followed by some fun and engaging enrichment activities. People can also register for a library card, sign up for Summer Reading Club and browse a collection of books for children and adults to check out.

Residents graduate from Ohio Connections Academy

More than 450 graduating seniors from more than 70 counties across the state recently received their high school diplomas from Ohio Connections Academy.

The following Medina County residents graduated from OCA:
■ Julianna Bradenburg, West Salem
■ Damian Kimball, Wadsworth
■ Jaden Stahorsky, Brunswick
■ Kyler Watterson, Medina

— from staff reports

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Today

Brunswick Hills Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., town hall, 1918 Pearl Road.
Buckeye Board of Education, regular meeting, 7 p.m., Buckeye High School Media Center, 3084 Columbia Road.
Chatham Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., community center, 6306 Avon Lake Road.
Granger Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m. — rescheduled for Friday.
Homer Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7:30 p.m., Homerville Community Center, 8964 Spencer Road.
Lafayette Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting followed by work session regarding revision of zoning regulations and tech park language update, 6:30 p.m., Lafayette Safety Services Building, 6367 Technology Lane.
Litchfield Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., town hall, 9256 Norwalk Road.

Lodi Village Board of Public Affairs, regular meeting, 6 p.m., Lodi Village Hall, 110 Ainsworth St.
Medina County Board of Elections, regular meeting, 3 p.m., Medina County Board of Elections, 3800 Stonegate Drive, Suite C.
Medina County Board of Revision, regular meeting, 9 a.m., room 301, 144 N. Broadway St., call in at (330) 539-3171.
Medina County commissioners, regular meeting, 9:30 a.m., commissioner’s hearing room, 144 N. Broadway St., (facebook.com/MedinaCountyCommissioners).
Medina County Investment Advisory Board, regular meeting, 11:30 a.m., commissioner’s hearing room, 144 N. Broadway St.
Medina County 911 Technical Advisory Committee, regular meeting, 11 a.m., EOC, 555 Independence Drive.
Montville Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building and safety services building, 6665 Wadsworth Road.
Sharon Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., Sharon Township Administration Building, 1322 Sharon Copley Road.
Spencer Board of Public Affairs, regular meeting, 6 p.m., followed by Spencer Safety Committee at 7 p.m., followed by Spencer Legislative and Planning at 7:30 p.m., municipal building,

109 N. Main St.

Wednesday

Hinckley Township Trustees, special meeting to approve OTARMA insurance renewal, approving the ODOT right-of-way acquisition, paying bills and possibly discussing police contract negotiations, 6 p.m., administration building, 1410 Ridge Road, log into www.hinckleytwp.org for Zoom option to observe and listen only.
Hinckley Township Board of Zoning Appeals, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building, 1410 Ridge Road, log into hinckleytwp.org for Zoom option to observe and listen only.
Medina County Law Library Resources Board, regular meeting, 11:30 a.m., Medina County Law Library, 93 Public Sq.
Montville Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building and safety services building, 6665 Wadsworth Road.

Thursday

Brunswick Planning Commission — canceled.
Medina County ADAMH Board, regular meeting, 5:30 p.m., Human Services Building, 246 Northland Drive.
Medina County ADAMH Board Executive Committee, regular meeting, 4:30 p.m., suite 100 in Human Services building, 246 Northland Drive.

Medina County Board of Revision, regular meeting, 9 a.m., room 301, 144 N. Broadway St., call in at (330) 539-3171.
Medina Shade Tree Commission, regular meeting, 5 p.m., Amos Mears Building, 785 E. Washington St.
Spencer Community Fire District, regular meeting, 7 p.m., fire station, 105 E. Lorain St.
Spencer Finance Committee, regular meeting, 3 p.m., municipal building, 109 N. Main St.
Wadsworth Architectural Design Committee, regular meeting, 4 p.m., city hall, 120 Maple St.

Friday

Granger Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., township administration building, 3717 Ridge Road.
Medina County Budget Commission, regular meeting, 9 a.m., room 301, 144 N. Broadway St.
Medina County Sealed Bid Opening, Boston Road Pump Station replacement, 1:30 p.m., engineering center, 791 W. Smith Road.
NOACA Air Quality Subcommittee, regular meeting, 9 a.m., followed by Transportation Subcommittee at 10:30 a.m., followed by Water Quality Subcommittee at 12 p.m., followed by Equity Subcommittee at 1:30 p.m., NOACA, 1299 Superior Ave., Cleveland, virtual option available at bit.ly/3Nhub17.

6th Annual GUN RAFFLE
Saturday, August 19, 2023 • Noon - 5:00 pm
Medina VFW Post #5137 - 3916 Pearl Road
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The 2023 MCBDD Donor Scholarship recipient is Jenna Shubrowsky (\$1500 Donor Scholarship)

Jenna is a Medina High School graduate and has already spent time dedicated to helping individuals with developmental disabilities as an assistant coach for the Special Olympics Volleyball Team since 2022. Jenna is also involved in her school community. In addition to service in a variety of school activities, Jenna is a member of the Hope Squad, a peer suicide prevention organization. In spring 2023, she partnered with a Hope Squad advisor to modify club and special event activities for her classmates with developmental disabilities. On top of her tremendous efforts within her community, Jenna works at both LLA Therapy and ABA Clinic. In her free time, she volunteers at Helping Hands Preschool. Jenna will attend Walsh University in Canton, where she will study to become an Intervention Specialist.

The Donated Funds Committee and the entire MCBDD administration and staff would like to congratulate this outstanding student and wish her the best in her future endeavors.

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities invites you to enjoy...

FREE!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL



**Thursday, June 22 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Medina Public Square**

- * Carnival Games * Crafts and Activities * Contests and Prizes
- * Classic Cars * Cookie Walk * Cotton Candy
- * Costume Character Meet and Greets and more!

The event is made possible entirely through sponsors and generous private donations so that we may continue this annual tradition.

Thank you to Smith Foods for the donation of ice cream for this event!

Don't miss the fun!

Medina County Board of DD

4691 Windfall Rd. Medina, OH 44256

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In the case of inclement weather, this event will be held
at the Achievement Center at 4691 Windfall Rd.

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Medina Community Band concert on June 16

MEDINA — Medina Community Band will present their third concert for the 2023 Summer Gazebo Series on Friday, June 16th, at 8:30 p.m., in the Gazebo on the Medina Public Up-town Park Square. The concert will be celebrating Juneteenth with special guest speaker the Rev. Arthur Ruffin. Featured euphonium soloist will be Lodi resident Clayton Van Doren performing Edward Montgomery's Serenade from Mirror Lake. For additional information on the 2023 concert season or Medina Community Band, contact Neiman at 330.725.8198 or MarcusNeiman@medinacomcommunityband.org.

York Historical Society meeting

YORK TWP — Rick Elias from Chippewa Lake will be the guest speaker. He has completed an extensive study of Native Americans in Ohio in the field of archaeology. He will include information about Medina County and local townships. The program is Monday, June 12 at 6:30 PM at the Buckeye Library. Light refreshments will be served.

McDowell-Phillips House Museum open house

MEDINA — The Medina County Historical Society will have an open house at the McDowell-Phillips House Museum, 205 S. Prospect St., Medina, Sunday, June 18 from 1pm - 4pm (Please note that the last tour starts at 3:30). This is a guided tour through the museum. Admission donation prices are \$10 for Adults, \$9 for Seniors, \$7 for Youth 7 to 18 years and under 7 is free with a hand-holding adult. MCHS members receive a discount on admission. Please do not park on Blake Ave. If you have any questions please call 330-722-1341 or email us at mchs@zoominternet.net. We hope to see you at the museum!

Ice Screaming on the Square

MEDINA — You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream! The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is once again hosting a FREE Community Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on the Medina Public Square (in case of rain, event will be held at the Medina County Achievement Center, 4691 Windfall Road, Medina).

The site of chocolate, caramel and strawberry toppings dribbling down scoops of fresh vanilla ice cream and topped off with a rainbow of sprinkles will once again signal the beginning of this fun annual event. All ages are invited to come and make an ice cream sundae, select their toppings and enjoy an evening of fun family entertainment including carnival games, crafts, activities, character meet-and-greets, contests and prizes.

This event is designed to generate community awareness and promote inclusion of people with disabilities. Studies have shown that when individuals with disabilities are included in community activities such as these, they develop the confidence they often need to achieve higher life goals. It also gives citizens of Medina County the opportunity to become more aware of what individuals with disabilities can do.

This event is made possible entirely through private donations and a generous partnership with SmithFoods who is providing the ice cream. For more information, visit www.mcbdd.org or contact MCBDD at 330-725-7751.

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**75th Annual
HUDSON GARDEN CLUB
HOME & GARDEN TOUR**

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Saturday, June 17, 2023 • 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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UKRAINE DAM RUPTURE CAUSING FLOODS

Families scramble for food, dry places to sleep

**Illia Novikov,
Yuras Karmanau
and Hanna Arhirova**
The Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — Alyona Shkrygalova's family kept a rubber boat for their daily needs along the broad Dnieper River.

The boat was nothing special until Tuesday, when the Kakhovka dam ruptured and sent a flood from Ukraine's largest reservoir into cities, towns and countryside downstream in a region that has suffered terribly since Russia invaded the country last year.

Water climbed waist-high on the second floor of Shkrygalova's two-storey house. Her family began using their boat to scavenge for food, and find houses on higher ground with dry places to sleep. That way, they survived in the war zone until Shkrygalova, 60, spotted a group of people in a boat and raised yellow, white and pink fabrics to get their attention.

"We were scared, we were trying to understand, 'Who's approaching us? Are they Russian or not?' We raised a flag," Shkrygalova said.

Lucky for her and her family, they were Ukrainian.

According to those stranded and their desperate Ukrainian rescuers, Russian forces are taking rescuers' boats. Some say the soldiers will only help people with Russian passports.

"Russian soldiers are standing at the checkpoints, preventing (rescuers) from approaching the most-affected areas and taking away the boats," said one volunteer, Yaroslav Vasiliev. "They are afraid of saboteurs, they suspect everyone."

Others have been turned away from rescue.

Viktoria Mironova-Baka said she has been in touch from Germany with relatives stuck in the flooded region.

"My relatives said that Russian soldiers were coming up to the house today by boat, but they said they would only take those with Russian passports," she told The Associated Press.

White House says Iran is helping Russia build a drone factory

WASHINGTON — Iran is providing Russia with materials to build a drone manufacturing plant east of Moscow as the Kremlin looks to lock in a steady supply of weaponry for its ongoing invasion of Ukraine, according to a U.S. intelligence finding released by the White House on Friday.

National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said U.S. intelligence officials believe a plant in Russia's Alabuga special economic zone could be operational early next year. The White House also released satellite imagery taken in April of the industrial location, several hundred miles east of Moscow, where it believes the plant "will probably be built."

President Joe Biden's administration publicly stated in December that it believed Tehran and Moscow were considering standing up a drone assembly line in Russia for the Ukraine war. The new intelligence suggests that the project, in the Yelabuga region of Tatarstan, has moved beyond conception.

Iran has said it designed drones to Russia before the start of the war but not since.

Kirby said that U.S. officials also have determined that Iran continues to supply the Russian military with one-way attack drones made in Iran: The drones are shipped via the Caspian Sea, from Amirabad in Iran to Makhachkala, Russia, and then are used by Russian forces against Ukraine.

As of May, Russia had received hundreds of one-way attack drones, as well as drone production-related equipment, from Iran, according to the White House.

"This is a full-scale defense partnership that is harmful to Ukraine, to Iran's neighbors, and to the international community," Kirby said. "We are continuing to use all the tools at our disposal to expose and disrupt these activities including by sharing this with the public — and we are prepared to do more."

The Biden administration on Friday issued an advisory meant to help businesses and other governments put in place measures to ensure they are not inadvertently contributing to Iran's drone program.

The notice from the departments of Commerce, State, Justice and Treasury said it was "critical that private industry be aware of its legal obligations" to abide by U.S. export controls and sanctions.

The United States, the European Union and the United Kingdom in recent months all have issued rules designed to cut off the flow of drone components to Russia and Iran.

The Biden administration has repeatedly publicized intelligence findings that detail how Iran is assisting the Russian invasion.

The persistent drip of intelligence findings from the administration is intended to detail what U.S. officials say is a deepening defense partnership between Russia and Iran. It's also part of a broader administration effort to spotlight Moscow's prosecution of its war in Ukraine in hopes of further promoting global isolation of Russia.

The White House last month said Russia was looking to buy additional advanced attack drones from Iran after using up most of the 400 drones it had previously purchased from Tehran.

The Biden administration last year first publicized satellite imagery and intelligence findings that it said indicated Iran sold hundreds of attack drones to Russia. For months, officials have said the United States believed Iran was considering selling hundreds of ballistic missiles to Russia, but White House officials have said they do not have evidence a deal was consummated.

The White House has noted that Iran also has weapons flowing its way from Russia.

Iran is seeking to purchase additional military equipment from Russia, including attack helicopters, radars and YAK-130 combat trainer aircraft, according to the White House. In April, Iran announced that it had finalized a deal to buy Su-35 fighter jets from Russia.

— from wire reports

Her grandmother, aunt and more than a dozen other people are taking shelter in the attic of a two-story house.

Details of life in Russian-occupied Ukraine are often unclear. The AP could not independently verify reports of boat seizures or that only Russians were being evacuated, but the account is in line with reporting by independent Russian media.

It's a sharp contrast to Ukrainian-controlled territory flooded by the dam collapse. Authorities there have aggressively evacuated civilians and brought in emergency supplies.

On Thursday, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy traveled to the area to assess the damage. Russian President Vladimir Putin "has no plans at the current moment" to visit affected Moscow-occupied areas, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told journalists.

The latest disaster in the region began Tuesday, when the Kakhovka hydroelectric dam, roughly 50 miles upstream from the town of Oleshky, collapsed, sending torrents of water down the Dnieper and across the war's front lines. The Russian-occupied town across the river from the city of Kherson had a prewar population of 24,000.

Officials say that more than 6,000 people have been evacuated from dozens of inundated cities, towns and villages on both sides of the river. But the true scale of the disaster remains unclear for a region that was once home to tens of thousands of people.

Officials on both sides indicated that about 20 people were known to have died, but the figures could not be independently verified. Oleshky's Ukrainian mayor, Yevhen Ryschuk, said corpses were floating to the surface.

Many of the survivors are homeless, and tens of thousands are without drinking water.

The floods ruined crops, displaced land mines, caused widespread environmental damage, and set the stage for long-term electricity shortages.

Ukraine says Russia destroyed the dam with explosives. Russia accuses Ukraine of destroying it with a missile strike.

A drone flown Wednesday by an AP team over the dam's wreckage revealed none of the scorch marks or shrapnel scars typical of a bombardment. The bulk of the dam itself is now submerged, and The AP images offered a limited snapshot, making it difficult to rule out any scenario. The dam also had been weakened by Russian neglect

Ryschuk, the Oleshky mayor, said that by Thursday afternoon water levels were beginning to fall, but roughly 90 percent of the city remained flooded.

Ryschuk fled after Russian forces tried to force him to collaborate, but he remains in close contact with people in and around the city.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Windfall Preschool Class of 2023



Windfall Preschool recently held its graduation ceremony for the Class of 2023. We wish this year's graduating students all the best as they continue to learn and grow. We know they will do great things in Kindergarten!

The Medina County Board of DD's Windfall Preschool is a place for students ages 3 to 5 years old, with ALL levels of ability. Here children have the chance to learn together and from one another in a place that challenges the mind, sparks curiosity, and prepares children for success in a fun and supportive way.

Fall 2023 Enrollment Now Open
www.mcbdd.org/preschool/

2023 MCBDD Donor Scholarship Awarded

The Donor Scholarship, which is awarded by the MCBDD Donated Funds Committee, supports a local high school senior pursuing a career which helps people with disabilities.

The MCBDD is happy to announce the 2023 recipient of the Donor Scholarship is Jenna Shubrowsky of Medina. We would like to congratulate Jenna as she begins to pursue her degree at Walsh University to become an Intervention Specialist helping children from preschool through high school ages. Jenna has already shown a dedication to touching the lives of others through her volunteer efforts with Special Olympics, and the MCBDD is proud to recognize her outstanding contributions.

For information visit:
www.mcbdd.org/donor-scholarship/



FREE Community Ice Cream Social

Thursday, June 22 from 6:00-8:00 pm
Medina Public Square

You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream! The MCBDD is hosting its annual free community ice cream social. All ages are invited to come and make an ice cream sundae and enjoy an evening of activities and entertainment for the whole family.

This event is made possible entirely through generous private donations and is designed to promote inclusion of people with disabilities. When individuals with disabilities are included in community activities they develop the confidence needed to achieve life goals.

For more information visit:
www.mcbdd.org/event-calendar/

Rainy day? No problem!

In the case of bad weather, this event will be held at the Medina County Achievement Center (4691 Windfall Rd.) Updates will be posted at www.mcbdd.org.



Safety Town PLUS+ Registration Open

The MCBDD will host its annual Safety Town Plus+ program at the Medina County Achievement Center during the week of June 19-23.

Children with developmental disabilities from Medina County are invited to join this five-day program with each day focusing on a specific safety lesson. The MCBDD's program offers all the typical fun "PLUS" the extra help some children with developmental disabilities may need. Designed for children in grades K-1 with special needs, this program has activities, games, stories and crafts to encourage (in a fun way) how to stay safe and make good choices during emergencies.

For Safety Town PLUS+ enrollment visit:
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County offers Digital Inclusion and Literacy courses for area residents

Medina County has launched a digital inclusion and literacy (DIAL) program for residents and communities.

Digital inclusion refers to the actions required to ensure that all individuals and communities in Medina County, including the most disadvantaged, have access to information and communication technologies.

"We in Medina County have developed the Digital Inclusion and Literacy program," says Steve Hambley, Medina County commissioner. "In having this new technology available, we want to make sure people have full access [to it, and] once they have it in their homes, that they know how to use it."

Digital inclusion has the following elements: Affordable, robust

broadband internet service; internet-enabled devices that meet the needs of the user; access to digital literacy training; and quality technical support. The fifth element focuses on the applications and online content designed to enable and encourage self-sufficiency, participation, and collaboration.

DIAL programs are available online and in-person to teach participants how to access streaming services on your television, how to choose the best internet provider for your needs, how to create a non-carrier-specific email, and combine with your existing email account, and how to use a Chromebook laptop. DIAL also offers a course on internet basics and online safety, available via in-person only.

DIAL partners include the Medina County Commissioners, the Medina County District Library, the Medina County Office for Old-

er Adults, Medina County Career Center, Medina County Law Enforcement, and Medina Fiber.

With the successful completion of each learning program, participants can receive a certificate of completion.

By presenting their certificates to Medina Fiber, they can receive a 50% discount on their monthly bill for the first three months of service. Or they can show their certificate at any Medina County Library to obtain a two-month loan on a cellular hotspot.

Hambley notes there is a "universe of opportunities and variability of programming out there that you can have at your fingertips," by participating in the DIAL program.

Residents can learn more about the DIAL program and register for courses by visiting www.medinaco.org/dial.



Steve Hambley

County's Electric Aggregation Program through Energy Harbor...

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Energy Harbor can be reached at 866-636-3749 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Residents are encouraged to contact Energy Harbor with questions about enrollment, the program, or concerns that maybe they are placed in the wrong program.

Per Ohio law, participants must be presented with the opportunity to opt out at least every three years.

Prior to the end of the current term, eligible participants will receive a notification extending this price through the remainder of the community contract.

You may opt out again or re-join. No action is necessary for eligible participants to remain in the program.

For more information on the County's Electric Aggregation Program, please visit <https://energyharbor.com/en/community-programs/find-your-program/medina-county-oe>.

BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

MCBDD offers Safety Town for children with special needs

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) will host its annual Safety Town Plus+ program at the Medina County Achievement Center, 4691 Windfall Road, Medina from June 19-23.

Children with developmental disabilities from across Medina County are invited to participate in a five-day program with each day focusing on a specific safety lesson — traffic safety, fire safety, gun safety, calling 911, bike safety and animal safety.

Typical Safety Towns provide hands-on safety education for children.

The MCBDD's program offers all the typical fun "PLUS" the extra help some children with developmental disabilities may need.

Designed for children in grades K-1 with special needs, this program has activities, games, stories and crafts to encourage (in a fun way) how to stay safe and make good choices during emergencies.

MCBDD's Safety Town PLUS+ modifies instructions and creates multi-sensory activities to give students the best chance to practice important safety skills.

MCBDD will be working together with Sgt. Beverly Fraser of the Medina County Sheriff's Department and a variety of other local first responders and volunteers for this week long event.

Space is limited and the deadline to register for this year's program is today, Friday, June 9. For more information or to register, visit www.mcbdd.org/event-calendar/ or contact Christie Kimbler at 330-725-7751 ext. 269, or ckimble@mcbdd.org.



Got papers? Come shred with us!

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is hosting a FREE Community Shred Day on Sat., June 10 from 10 a.m.–1 p.m. at the Medina County Achievement Center, 4691 Windfall Rd., Medina.

If you are buried under piles of paperwork, have stacks of old files or just need a safe, secure way to get rid of unwanted documents, then stop by and drop them off.

A shredding truck will be on-site to immediately

handle all shredding needs. Confidential information such as bank statements, medical records, legal documents, tax records and papers with a social security number can be shredded for safety.

Shredding is limited to four boxes or bags per vehicle. While this is a free event, donations will be accepted towards the MCBDD Donor Scholarship Fund.

For more information on the MCBDD, visit www.mcbdd.org.

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS

Medina County commits to justice on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) Thursday, June 15

The International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations (UN) launched the first World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) on June 15, 2006 in an effort to unite communities around the world in raising awareness about elder abuse.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day provides an opportunity for communities to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older adults. WEAAD reminds us that elder abuse has implications for all of us. It is a call to action for individuals, organizations, and communities to learn how to identify, address, and prevent elder abuse so we can all do

our part to support everyone as they age.

Elder abuse can include physical, emotional, and sexual abuse; financial exploitation; and neglect (including self-neglect). Abuse can happen to any older person, by a loved one, a hired caregiver, or a stranger. Abuse can happen at home, at a relative's home, or in an eldercare facility.

There are many signs of possible elder abuse. The community is an important set of eyes and ears. Therefore, it is critical for family, caregivers, health practitioners, friends, and neighbors to watch for these signs and act accordingly if an individual:

- Seems depressed, confused,

or withdrawn.

- Is isolated from friends and family.
- Has unexplained bruises, burns, or scars.
- Exhibits poor hygiene or appears underfed, dehydrated, overmedicated or undermedicated, or is not receiving needed care for medical problems.
- Has bed sores or other preventable conditions.
- Exhibits recent changes in banking or spending patterns.

If you suspect that a vulnerable adult age 60 or over may be a victim of abuse, neglect or exploitation, do not hesitate to call the Adult Protective Services hotline at 330-661-0800.



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Cake and refreshments will be served as we dedicate the new Soprema Senior Center Cafe

Happy Retirement!



Photo by Brian S. Gallatin

Congratulations to Phyllis Young who retired May 31 after 36 years of service with the Medina County Clerk of Courts' Auto Title Division. Young started her employment as a deputy clerk in the Title Office and concluded her career as the Chief Deputy of the Clerk of Courts' Auto Title Division. Pictured left to right: Commissioner Aaron Harrison, Commissioner Steve Hambley, Young and Clerk of Courts Dave Wadsworth.

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Exceptions to the proposal include some law enforcement activity; parents or guardians tracking their children; caregivers tracking an elderly or disabled person they are entrusted with; a non-private investigator acting on behalf of a "legitimate business purpose;" and private investigators on certain cases.

The bill now heads to the House for further consideration.

OHIO

Charity settles false claims to help those impacted by train derailment

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Thousands of dollars raised by a charity that falsely claimed it would help residents affected by a train derailment on the Ohio-Pennsylvania border earlier this year will be turned over to a food bank serving the area, Ohio's attorney general announced Wednesday.

The Feb. 3 derailment in East Palestine spilled hazardous chemicals into nearby creeks and rivers. It led to the evacuation of half of the 5,000 residents when responders intentionally burned toxic chemicals in some of the derailed cars from the Norfolk Southern train to prevent an uncontrolled explosion.

Following the accident, authorities say the Ohio Clean Water Fund sent text messages to solicit contributions, claiming it had partnered with the Second Harvest Food Bank of the Mahoning Valley to collect donations for bottled water. The charity raised \$141,000 from roughly 3,200 donors, but eventually spent more than \$100,000 on fees and gave just \$10,000 to the food bank.

Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost said food bank representatives complained to his office, saying they had not authorized a partnership with the charity's founder, Mike Peppel. Yost's office filed a lawsuit in April against Peppel and the charity.

The agreement calls for the charity to dissolve and pay more than \$131,000 in restitution and civil penalties. Roughly \$117,000 of that amount will go to the food bank for bottled water and other emergency aid for East Palestine, while the \$15,000 civil penalty will go into the attorney general's charitable law fund.

The lawsuit against Peppel is still ongoing, authorities said. Peppel's lawyer has previously declined to comment on the litigation.

Peppel is a former congressional and state legislative staffer for some area lawmakers.



Dave Yost

POSTINGS

Ice Screaming on the Square

MEDINA — You scream, I scream, we all scream for ice cream! The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is once again hosting a FREE Community Ice Cream Social on Thursday, June 22 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on the Medina Public Square (in case of rain, event will be held at the Medina County Achievement Center, 4691 Windfall Road, Medina).

The site of chocolate, caramel and strawberry toppings dribbling down scoops of fresh vanilla ice cream and topped off with a rainbow of sprinkles will once again signal the beginning of this fun annual event. All ages are invited to come and make an ice cream sundae, select their toppings and enjoy an evening of fun family entertainment including carnival games, crafts, activities, character meet-and-greets, contests and prizes.

This event is designed to generate community awareness and promote inclusion of people with disabilities. Studies have shown that when individuals with disabilities are included in community activities such as these, they develop the confidence they often need to achieve higher life goals. It also gives citizens of Medina County the opportunity to become more aware of what individuals with disabilities can do.

This event is made possible entirely through private donations and a generous partnership with Smith-Foods who is providing the ice cream. For more information, visit www.mcbdd.org or contact MCBDD at 330-725-7751.

Village of Spencer bicentennial celebration

SPENCER — Village of Spencer bicentennial celebration, July 1-3. Hours vary. Ice cream social, kids games, vintage baseball game, concert, dinners, movie and more. Firestone Park in Spencer. Call 330-441-1546 for more information.

Medina Community Band concert on June 9

MEDINA — Medina Community Band will present their second concert for the 2023 Summer Gazebo Series on Friday, June 9th, at 8:30 p.m., in the Gazebo on the Medina Public Up-town Park Square. The concert will celebrate Flag Day. Featured guest conductors will be Nick Puin conducting his own arrangement of patriotic music and Garrett Birk conducting Ralph Vaughan Williams fanfare Flourish for Wind Band; Edward Strauss' polka Without Brakes; and, J.J. Richards' march Shield of Liberty. For additional information on the 2023 concert season or Medina Community Band, contact Neiman at 330.725.8198 or MarcusNeiman@medinacommunityband.org.

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Weekend Update

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June 8, 2023

“Surround yourself with positive people who believe in your dreams, encourage your ideas, support your ambitions, and bring out the best in you.”

– Roy Bennett

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Free Community Shred Day

Enjoy a free community shred day on **Saturday, June 10**, compliments of the **Medina County Achievement Center**. Shredding takes place at **4691 Windfall Road, Medina** between **10 am and 1 pm**. Limit of four (4) bags/boxes per vehicle. Shredding takes place rain or shine! For more information call 330-725-7751, ext. 318 or email arichards@mcbdd.org.

COMMUNITY NEWS

40 years of medals: Special Olympics runs on fun and friendly competition in Medina

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The 40th annual Special Olympics Ohio Medina Invitational hosted more than 600 athletes competing in track and field, tennis, power lifting, softball and bocce events at Medina High School June 3-4. (Brian Lisik, special to cleveland.com)

By [Brian Lisik, special to cleveland.com](#)

MEDINA, Ohio -- The 40th annual Special Olympics Ohio Medina Invitational, held June 3-4 at Medina High School, hosted 600 athletes and had nearly 300 volunteers.

According to Special Olympics Medina County Coordinator Amy Smith, the invitational is a testament to both the athletes and the entire Medina community.

“The athletes want competition and achievement and to be a part of the community. They have goals just like everyone else,” Smith said.

“Some really, really want to win, and others do it just for fun. And the Medina community is amazing. We are fully volunteer; without these volunteers and this community support, we couldn’t do this.”



Jake Chapman, of Medina, took first place in the 100-meter dash at the 2023 Special Olympics Ohio Medina Invitational June 3-4.

Medina County team coach Kara Wolff said her athletes train twice a week to prepare for state and regional Special Olympics meets throughout the year. While the Medina Invitational does not count toward those sanctioned events, Wolff said the camaraderie at the Medina event has become a much anticipated tradition.

First-time Medina Invitational runners Billy Machor, 19, and Henry Snow, 14, agreed.

“It’s fun to be here with my friends,” Machor said.

Henry, who competed in 100-meter and 50-meter dash events at the invitational, said he has a somewhat loftier goal -- beating his cousin Tommy Rice’s Special Olympics track record.

The invitational included 20 teams representing 13 Northeast Ohio counties.

Other Medina County athletes included 51-year-old Greg Brandel, who has been competing since he was 9. He said the best part about Special Olympics is getting the chance to “run like a mountain lion.”

Jacob “Jayhawk” Workman, 11, was competing in his first Medina Invitational. He was cautiously optimistic with his chances for success.

“I haven’t got a lot of practice in, but I think I’ll do OK. We’ll see how it goes,” he said.

Smith noted that all athletes are awarded Gold, Silver or Bronze medals or third- through sixth-place ribbons.

Wolff’s coaching colleague Andy Sharp added: “They are all rock stars; they are all heart and no ego.”

Read more news from the [Medina Sun](#).

June 5, 2023



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SAFETY TOWN PLUS+ **Monday, June 19 - Friday, June 23** **9:30 am - 11:30 am**


In partnership with the Medina County Sheriff's Office, the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is happy to again be offering our annual Safety Town PLUS from **June 19 - June 23, 2023**. This program offers all the regular safety town fun "PLUS" the extra help some children with developmental disabilities may need.

Safety Town PLUS is designed for Medina County students, in grades K-1, with disabilities. We will teach children how to make good choices for safety and how to take action in emergency situations. Using an actual small-scale "town," our safety town is a real life learning environment that provides practice for many important safety lessons for children. Learn more and enroll your child for this event by following the buttons below.

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ANALYSIS: OHIO SCHOOL VOUCHER PROGRAM

Proposals would bring dramatic change

Samantha Hendrickson
The Associate Press/
Report For America

COLUMBUS — Ohio parents could soon see more taxpayer money in their pockets to help send their schoolchildren to private and religious schools, or fund homeschooling, under changes to a voucher program that Republican state lawmakers and the governor must hammer out by month's end.

Ohio has had some form of vouchers since 1996, but learning setbacks prompted by pandemic-era education disruptions, cultural battles over gender and race, and a national movement for parental rights have led to a larger push in Ohio and other states to make them more widely available.

Advocates applaud it as expanding school choice, while opponents say such programs divert funding from

public schools and violate Ohio's constitution.

Here's a look at where things stand and where they could go:

The current system

School vouchers are state-funded and distributed through the Ohio Department of Education's EdChoice Scholarship Program. Children are eligible if they attend certain underperforming public schools or come

from low-income households — at or below 250% of the federal poverty level, or about \$75,000 a year for a family of four.

The program, which parents must apply for, provides \$5,500 for K-8 students and \$7,500 for grades 9-12 to fund tuition.

More than 60,000 students use EdChoice as of 2023 at an annual cost of nearly \$350 million, according to Ohio's Office of Budget and Man-

agement.

Competing proposals for change

In January, via his version of the state budget, GOP Gov. Mike DeWine announced a proposal to increase income eligibility for vouchers to those at or below 400% of the federal poverty level, or about \$111,000 for a family of four.

See **VOUCHER, A6**

MEDINA

Going for the gold medal



MADISYN WOODRING / GAZETTE PHOTOS

ABOVE: A Special Olympian throws a bocce ball while her team watches during the 40th annual Medina County Special Olympics invitational at Medina High School on Sunday. **BELOW:** Athletes throw bocce balls.

Medina County Special Olympics holds its 40th annual invitational

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette

MEDINA — Special Olympians from all over Northeast Ohio competed in tennis, volleyball, powerlifting, bocce and track and field on Saturday and Sunday for the 40th annual Medina County Special Olympics invitational at Medina High School.

Medina County Special Olympics Coordinator Amy Smith said approximately 600 athletes participated in the invitational. Medina's event is unique because it features more than one sport at a time.

Athletes receive medals for first, second or third place, and ribbons are given to people who place fourth through sixth, she said.

Between 200 and 300 volunteers help run the event. Smith said without the volunteers, the event would be impossible to put on.

"We have some volunteers that come here year after year, and they're



amazing," she said. "It makes the whole weekend run smooth."

Smith said, in her opinion, Special Olympics events give athletes the opportunity to socialize, achieve, feel success and more.

"There's just so many different positive things that the Special Olympics brings to each and every athlete," she said.

Contact reporter Madisyn Woodring at (330) 721-4049 or mwoodring@medina-gazette.com.

BRUNSWICK

Residents start petition opposing I-71 interchange

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette

BRUNSWICK — A group of Brunswick residents came together in North Park to sign a petition that states their opposition to putting an additional Interstate 71 interchange on Boston Road on Thursday.

Brunswick resident Shrea Kellums said it is the first time a petition has been made regarding the issue. The goal was to get as many signatures as possible. It is unknown how many signatures were gathered on Thursday, but Kellums said it was a great turnout.

"This is overwhelming," she said. "I didn't expect all of this. We're going to do (the petition) again."

Brunswick resident Michelle Bolger said there are numerous reasons why she opposes the interchange. For instance, she is concerned about increasing taxes, light pollution, road maintenance, a jet fuel pipeline, crime, the area turning into a commercial corridor and more. She believes adding an interchange is not the solution to Strongsville's traffic.

"Strongsville created this mess," she said. "They should keep it there and not put it in our town."

On March 31, Gov. Mike DeWine signed House Bill 23 into law. Section 5501.60 of the bill mandates the existence of an Inter-

state highway exchange every 4.5 miles under the following conditions:

■ Both neighboring municipalities have a population of more than 35,000 according to the most recent census.

■ The municipalities are in different counties.

■ At least one of the counties has a population of more than a million according to the most recent census.

Therefore, under the new law, it is mandated that an interchange be built on Boston Road, Drake Road or Grafton Road.

The city of Strongsville has shown interest in a Boston Road interchange by hiring a company to perform a feasibility and traffic study for it in September. Brunswick, Brunswick Hills and Hinckley have passed resolutions stating their opposition to the interchange.

"I feel like we're getting a lot of support from Brunswick," Kellums said. "None of (city) council in Brunswick want it. It's more Strongsville residents that want it, but I do feel Brunswick is really supporting us."

The group will be out on Monday with the petition from 5:30-7 p.m. at North Park at 3595 Grafton Road in Brunswick.

Contact reporter Madisyn Woodring at (330) 721-4049 or mwoodring@medina-gazette.com.



MADISYN WOODRING / GAZETTE

Nancy Frognowski signs a petition opposing a potential Interstate 71 interchange on Boston Road while Shrea Kellums and Sue Mazzola watch at North Park on Thursday.

OENSLAGER NATURE CENTER IN SHARON TOWNSHIP

Native plant sale helps the parks and the environment

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette

SHARON TWP. — Visitors came to Oenslager Nature Center on Saturday and Sunday to purchase native plants like black eyed susan, culver's root and more as part of a fundraiser which benefits the Friends of the

Medina County Parks and the environment.

Interpretive Services Manager for the Medina County Park District Shelley Tender said she grows the plants in a home nursery in her front yard. Although she is a park district employee, she grows the plants on her

own time from locally collected seeds.

"We don't typically allow collecting in our parks, but we only gather a small amount (from the parks) through our natural resource department that we can use to grow these," she said.

Tender then donates the plants to

the Friends of the Medina County Parks, so the group can fundraise by selling the plants.

"(The Friends of Medina County Parks) get the money, and then that money comes back to the park district in the form of projects or if we need program supplies," she said.

The native plant sale has been going on for the past three years because it is a way to make the plants accessible to anyone in the area, Tender said. It is important for people to grow native plants because many native insects rely on these plants.

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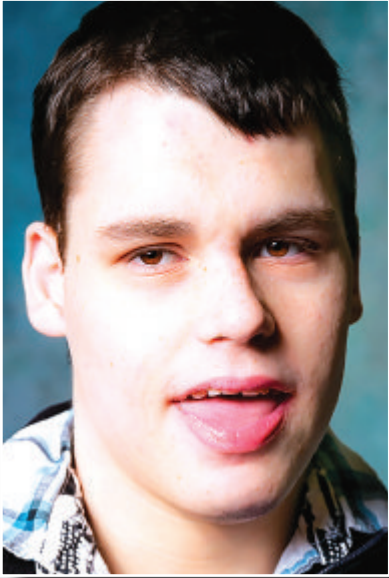
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WINDFALL SCHOOL GRADUATES



Noah Weintz

Noah has made the most of his time at Windfall School where he is a social guy who enjoys interacting with teachers as well as other classmates. Noah has had a successful student career and is most proud of his biggest accomplishment - walking independently without any help. He has learned new skills which have helped him to explore his community through class activities such as visiting local stores. Noah favorite activities involve snow, he loves snow! He loves to be a part of snowball fights and has the best laugh while doing so. Noah will be continuing his adult journey as he moves onto programs available through TLC.



Tori Schlupe

Tori has made so much progress during her time at Windfall School. She is a reserved young lady who observes others from afar. Tori has a long list of accomplishments to be proud of this year. She now walks on her own to her school activities and does not need to use a wheelchair. She also no longer needs comfort items during the school day to be productive. Tori has enjoyed getting out to explore her community during her weekly lunch trips with Ms. Tracy to Chick-fil-A, her favorite place to stop. Tori will be continuing her adult journey as she joins programs available through TLC.

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How students can avoid ‘senioritis’

Senior year of high school can be a whirlwind of activity. The early months are spent wrapping up standardized testing and applying to college. Since many colleges and universities ask for mid-year transcripts for students to aid with class placement and/or make final admissions decisions, students also need to maintain their studies and grades throughout the fall and winter.

Come the spring, when graduating seniors have already picked a college, students with their eyes on the finish line may feel like pulling back a bit. According to Southern New Hampshire University, the term ‘senioritis’ refers to a common condition reflecting a lack of motivation by students who are reaching the end of their coursework. While it occurs in high school seniors and college seniors, those in trade schools or other programs also can experience senioritis. Students hope that they can simply coast until the end of school. It’s important not to let senioritis set in to the point that students’ academic futures are suddenly compromised.

• Consider the repercussions. According to the University of the People, many colleges have a policy that incoming freshmen must maintain a certain GPA to become students at their institutions. Letting grades slip can ruin chances of attending the school you worked hard to get into, even if you’ve already been accepted. Dartmouth College, for example, notes that they reserve the right to rescind an offer if ‘the student’s final academic record has lowered significantly.’ A similar policy

is enforced by Stanford University.

- Schedule breaks. Take advantage of time off from school and on the weekends to engage in fun activities. Respite from school work can help you return to studies fresh and ready to engage anew.

- Plan your senior courses wisely. Work with your guidance counselor to schedule courses throughout your time at school so your senior year schedule features few rigorous classes and includes more enjoyable electives.

- Hold each other accountable. Get together with a close group of classmates to inspire one another to continue to study and maintain good

grades. Accountability to another person can serve as motivation.

- Ask for help and support. It’s common for seniors to want to slack off if they’re feeling overwhelmed and stressed. If various factors in your life are causing you anxiety, reach out to your parents and friends for help.

- Establish strong habits. Learning to stay focused even throughout the spring of senior year can help set the course for good habits that spill over into college, like time management and focus.

Avoiding a case of senioritis can be challenging, but it is in students’ best interests to stay focused on their work until they don their caps and gowns.



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BRUNSWICK HS 2023 RECOGNIZED STUDENTS



Maeve McGinnis
GPA 4.58

Organizations: National Honor Society (Secretary), HUDDLE [Helping Us Develop Dedication Leadership and Enthusiasm] (Commissioner), Varsity Lacrosse (Captain), Camerata Orchestra (Viola), Key Club International, AP & We, VOFT [Volunteer Opportunities For Teens]

Awards/Scholarships: National Merit Scholar Finalist, Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award, Medina County Share Cluster Outstanding Senior Award, AP Scholar with Distinction, Brunswick City Schools PRIDE (Performance Respect Integrity Determination Effort) Award, AP with WE Service Recognition, Brunswick High School Student of the Month, BHS Summa Cum Laude Academic Excellence Award, Greater Cleveland Conference Lacrosse Scholar Athlete Award, BHS Girls Varsity Lacrosse Offensive MVP, Ohio Music Education Association Solo and Ensemble Adjudicated Event Superior Rating

College attending: The Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Best Advice: Never regret working too hard to accomplish something worthwhile to you; so put the time and effort in where others aren't willing to.

Best advice: A piece of advice that I hope to live by is to make the most of every opportunity and never take anything for granted. Focusing on this allows a person to continuously work to be a better version of themselves and show appreciation for those around them.

Favorite subject: I have never been able to choose a favorite subject; I enjoy them all!

Role Model: My parents are my role models. They gave me my love for learning, taught me the importance of compassion, and are the strongest people I know.

Favorite Book: Harry Potter



Nolan Wickes
GPA 4.61

Organizations: Swimming, Track and Field, National Honors Society, HUDDLE, AP and We

Awards/Scholarships National Merit Finalist, Summa Cum Laude, Top Scholar, GCC Scholar Athlete, Coaches Award, Iron Man Award.

Scholarships: H2O Foundation Scholarship, MacLellan Family Scholarship, and Spectrum Scholar Athlete of the Week Scholarship.

College Attending: University of Alabama

Best advice: You have to be ready to call yourself out when you can do better even if it's easier to be ignorant.

Favorite subject: : Science courses in general I guess physics if I had to pick one

Favorite Book: Percy Jackson Series

Favorite Movies: Star Wars Movies

Teacher and fellow students might be surprised to know: I have a black belt



Jordan Dye
GPA 4.5533

Organizations: NHS, Academic Challenge, Tennis

College Attending: Baldwin-Wallace University

Awards/Scholarships: National Merit Finalist

College attending: The University of Alabama

Favorite subject: Physics

Favorite Book: The Lord of the Rings

Favorite Movie: Barbarian



Jessica Murral

List of Organizations: NHS, AP & We, Environmental Club, and various band activities

College Attending: University of Toledo - major in Environmental Engineering with a minor in Spanish

Awards/Scholarships: National Merit Finalist

College attending: The University of Alabama

Favorite Books and Movies: The Raven Boys by Maggie Steifvater, Winter by Marissa Meyer, and Ocean's 11



Samantha Sustarsic
GPA 4.6

List of Organizations: Big Brothers Big Sisters, VOFT, HUDDLE, the National Honors Society, LINK, and Brunswick Varsity Sideline Cheer and Sparkle.

College Attending: Kent State University majoring in Exercise Science/ Kinesiology to further her passion for wellness and physical health and fitness.

Best Advice for success: shift your mindset from motivational drive to implementing discipline. No one is motivated 110% of the time, but learning to discipline yourself to do what is needed from you will get you so much farther much quicker.



MEDINA COUNTY SCHOOLS' EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER PROCEDURE FOR AWARDING THE CLARENCE H. HORN SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is presented in recognition of Mr. Horn by his son, Robert Horn. Mr. Horn was a longtime resident of Medina County and a strong supporter of Ohio University.

Recipient

The scholarship is awarded to a student enrolling at Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, in the field of accounting, teaching, or a related field.

Katherine Sainato from Wadsworth High School is one of two recipients of the Clarence H. Horn Scholarship. She is the daughter of Michael and Susan Sainato. Katherine plans on attending Ohio University and majoring in teaching.

She was awarded \$500



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Safety Town Plus+ for kids with special needs will run at the Medina County Achievement Center June 19-23.

MCBDD offering safety town for children with special needs

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games, stories and crafts to encourage (in a fun way) how to stay safe and make good choices during emergencies. MCBDD's Safety Town+ modifies instructions and creates multi-sensory activities to give students the best chance to practice important safety skills.

MCBDD will be working together with Sgt. Beverly Fraser of the Medina County Sheriff's Department and a variety of other local first responders and volunteers for this weeklong event.

Space is limited and the deadline to register for this year's program is Friday, June 9.

For more information or to register, visit www.mcbdd.org/event-calendar or contact Christie Kimbler at 330-725-7751 ext. 269, or ckimble@mcbdd.org.

Super Students

Bar Association awards scholarship to three teens

The Medina County Bar Association announced three local high school seniors were chosen as winners of the annual Medina County Bar Association Law Day Scholarship.

Each recipient will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship. The theme for Law Day 2023 was "Cornerstones of Democracy: Civics, Civility and Collaboration." The scholarship applicants each wrote an essay about this theme.

"The essays were chosen from a field of extremely qualified and excellent applicants," the Bar Association stated. "The winners are outstanding students and leaders in our community."

Congratulations to the three 2023 winners: Nicholas Fortunato, Hoban High School; Colin Barberic; Medina High School; Luke Svec, Medina High School.

The scholarships were awarded at the Medina County Bar Association's annual Law Day program-which was held May 1 at Williams On The Lake. The keynote speaker for the Law Day program was the Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose.

For more information regarding the Medina County Bar Association, contact Executive Secretary Gina Hotchkiss at 330-725-9794 and gshotchkiss@medinaco.org or President Lee Skidmore.

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Five Reasons Disability Inclusion Just Makes Sense

Disability inclusion means including people with disabilities in everyday activities and encouraging them to have experiences like those around them who do not have a disability. But why is disability inclusion so important? Thankfully, long gone are the days when people with developmental disabilities were shut away and segregated in institutions. But there still remain issues of isolation and exclusion, so let's take a moment to focus on a few benefits of inclusion and why it just makes sense.

Reason 1: Inclusion creates empathy.

When people with and without developmental disabilities gather together, it gives them the opportunity to spend time with one another and learn about common interests. This supports the development of friendships and then naturally promotes empathy, social inclusion and understanding.

Reason 2: Inclusion helps people develop a positive self-image.

For people with disabilities, inclusion can help them realize their potential for growth. Inclusion increases self-esteem and self-worth. It gives people the ability to learn how to speak and express views, and become more responsible, independent, fearless and confident.

Reason 3: Inclusion promotes tolerance and reduces bullying.

Through inclusive actions, people with and without disabilities learn and exist side-by-side. As a result, communities see less bullying, teasing and other acts of intolerance.

Reason 4: Inclusion drives meaningful change.

The understanding that comes with an inclusive mindset can lead to new ideas and positive change. For example, while people with developmental disabilities have always had less access to healthcare, the situation is made worse because only one in five healthcare professionals is trained to treat them. As a result, people with disabilities die an average of 16 years earlier than the general population. Inclusive healthcare leads to changes which help provide better training and changes in policies, structures and institutions, which means healthier and longer lives for people with disabilities.

Reason 5: Inclusion helps us see the person first.

When all people are included in all aspects of our community, we are more likely to see the person rather than focus on their disability. We learn what we have in common versus what differences we have. We found common ground. We become more welcoming.

Have questions about including people with developmental disabilities as part of your community? The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is happy to help any family or community members get the information they need to support and include people with disabilities. Call us at 330-725-7751 for more information.

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Avoid ticks with natural repellents

Submitted by Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist Ellen Daniels

Some experts are predicting a nasty spring tick season, with several types of ticks biting unwary people, dogs and cats. There are three types of ticks in Ohio: blacklegged, Lone Star and brown dog. Many people are unaware that ticks often crawl up clothing and can end up on your neck, back or even ears. Some ticks carry diseases like Lyme disease, so it is important to be careful when outdoors.

DEET insect repellent is often suggested to repel ticks, but if you want a more natural option, eucalyptus oil is known to repel and kill ticks. Combine 4 ounces of purified or distilled water with 20 drops of eucalyptus essential oil in a small spray bottle. Shake before using and spray on skin, pant cuffs and shoes. Rubbing peppermint oil on your legs will act as a natural tick repellent.

Local naturalist and wildflower expert, Geoff Rapp, cited many plants to add to a garden that repel ticks: catnip, chamomile, citronella, fleabane daisy, garlic, geraniums, hostas, lavender, lemon balm, lemongrass, marigold, mint, pansies, rosemary, sage, roses, rue, sunflowers, thyme and wormwood. Most of these plants can also be used in food preparation and are aesthetically pleasing. Citrus like lemons and oranges are natural tick repellents and have strong, fresh scents.

Be aware that using a pesticide could harm beneficial insects and animals that prey on ticks. Opossums consume over 5,000 ticks apiece per season. Spiders, birds and ants also eat thousands of ticks.

If you find a tick on you, carefully remove it with tweezers in case you need to take it to a lab to determine if it's carrying Lyme disease. Remove the mouthparts to avoid infection. To treat the wound naturally, use rubbing alcohol, which is famous for killing bad bacteria in wounds and can also wipe out a tick for good. After you remove the tick, drop it in a cup of alcohol and place a lid over it so it can't escape. Tumble dry your clothing for 10 minutes to kill any ticks on clothes. ∞

Stop pruning oak trees, now

Oak Wilt disease, an often-deadly disease of oak trees, has been found in the Midwest. It is an aggressive fungal disease that affects all species of oaks, though Red Oaks are especially vulnerable.

Pruning red and white oak trees in the spring and summer can spread the disease and should only take place from November through March.

The primary symptom of oak Wilt is the wilting of leaves and defoliation. Browning begins on the margin of the leaf and moves inward, and there is a distinct line between dead tissue and living tissue.

Recommendations to protect oak trees include:

- Remove and dispose of oak wilt-infected trees immediately.
- Avoid all wounding of trees from April through October.
- Sterilize/sanitize all pruning equipment between trees.
- Paint all wounds and fresh stumps immediately.
- Do not store wood from infected trees.
- Burn all firewood before spring. ∞

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Medina County Historical Society holding open house on June 4

MEDINA — The Medina County Historical Society will have an open house on Sunday, June 4th from 1pm - 4pm at the John Smart House Museum, 206 N. Elmwood, Medina. This will be a self-guided tour of the museum. There will be docents in various locations throughout the museum to answer questions and provide some interesting facts. Admission donation prices are \$5 for adults; \$4 for MCHS members & Seniors; \$3 for Students 7 - 18 years. Children under 7 are free with a hand-holding adult. If you have any questions, please call 330-722-1341 or email us at mchs@zoominternet.net.

Seville Breakfast Kiwanis holding annual golf outing at Ridge Top Golf Course

SEVILLE — The Seville Breakfast Kiwanis is holding their annual golf outing on June 10th at Ridge Top Golf Course. This year's event will be sponsored by Sheetz, Martin Public Seating and Hometown Dental. If you wish to become a sponsor or to participate in some other manor like having a team participate in the outing or sponsoring a hole, please contact Wally Schaedel at 330-421-0217 or email him at wfs2@yahoo.com. The proceeds from the outing will also be used to provide scholarships for Cloverleaf High School students.

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of the victims in the head in a different room in the Brooklyn Centre neighborhood home, then flagged down a police cruiser and directed officers to the scene.

The Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office identified three people pronounced dead at the scene as 69-year-old Miguel Gonzalez, the defendant's father; 34-year-old Angelic Gonzalez, his sister; and her 16-year-old son Jayden Baez. A 48-year-old man later died at a hospital and his 8-year-old daughter was critically wounded.

Camden County authorities said they had been investigating for almost a decade after Molina was found shot on a Camden street in October 30, 2013. His wife told WPVI-TV in 2014 that she believed her husband's drug habit may have played a role in his death, and when two friends came to get him on the day of the shooting she told him not to leave.

It's unclear whether Muniz has an attorney in the New Jersey case. The Associated Press left a message seeking comment from his attorney in the Ohio case.

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Today’s history

■ In 1431, Joan of Arc, condemned as a heretic, was burned at the stake in Rouen (roo-AHN’), France.
■ In 1922, the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., was dedicated in a ceremony attended by President Warren G. Harding, Chief Justice William Howard Taft and Robert Todd Lincoln.
■ In 1935, Babe Ruth played in his last major league baseball game for the Boston Braves, leaving after the first inning of the first of a double-header against the Philadelphia Phillies, who won both games (Ruth announced his retirement three days later).
■ In 1937, ten people were killed when police fired on steelworkers demonstrating near the Republic Steel plant in South Chicago.
■ In 1958, unidentified American service members killed in World War II and the Korean War were interred in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.
■ In 1968, the Beatles began recording their “White Album” at EMI Recording Studios in London, starting with the original version of “Revolution 1.”
■ In 1971, the American space probe Mariner 9 blasted off from Cape Kennedy on a journey to Mars.
■ In 1972, three members of the Japanese Red Army opened fire at Lod Airport in Tel Aviv, Israel, killing 26 people. Two attackers died; the third was captured.
■ In 1994, Mormon Church president Ezra Taft Benson died in Salt Lake City at age 94.
■ In 2002, a solemn, wordless ceremony marked the end of the agonizing cleanup at ground zero in New York, 8 1/2 months after 9/11.
■ In 2013, Syria’s President Bashar Assad said in an interview with Lebanese television that he was “confident of

victory” in his country’s civil war, and he warned Damascus would retaliate for any future Israeli airstrike on his territory.
■ In 2015, Vice President Joe Biden’s son, former Delaware attorney general Beau Biden, died at age 46 of brain cancer.
■ In 2018, Harvey Weinstein was indicted in New York on rape and criminal sex act charges, furthering the first criminal case stemming from sexual misconduct allegations against the former movie mogul. Russian journalist Arkady Babchenko stunned colleagues by appearing at a news conference in Kiev less than a day after police in the Ukrainian capital said he’d been assassinated; authorities said his death was staged to foil a plot on his life by Moscow’s security services.
■ In 2020, tense protests over the death of George Floyd and other police killings of Black people grew across the country; racially diverse crowds held mostly peaceful demonstrations in dozens of cities, though many later descended into violence, with police cars set ablaze.

Today’s birthdays

Actor Ruta Lee is 88. Actor Keir Dullea is 87. Rock musician Lenny Davidson (The Dave Clark Five) is 79. Actor Stephen Tobolowsky is 72. Actor Colm Meaney is 70. Actor Ted McGinley is 65. Actor Ralph Carter is 62. Actor Tonya Pinkins is 61. Country singer Wynonna Judd is 59. Rock musician Tom Morello (Audioslave; Rage Against The Machine) is 59. Actor Mark Sheppard is 59. Movie director Antoine Fuqua is 58. Actor John Ross Bowie is 52. Rock musician Patrick Dahlheimer (Live) is 52. Actor Idina Menzel is 52. Rapper Cee Lo Green is 48. Rapper Remy Ma is 43. Actor Blake Bashoff is 42. Christian rock musician James Smith (Underoath) is 41. Actor Javicia Leslie is 36. Actor Jake Short is 26. Actor Sean Giambrone is 24. Actor Jared Gilmore is 23.

WEATHER

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THURSDAY: Sunny	86/59
FRIDAY: Sunny	88/60

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Ohio (Monday)

Midday Pick 3: 0-7-3, **Pick 3:** 2-0-4,
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Midday Pick 5: 8-3-6-7-0, **Pick 5:** 3-0-1-9-2,
Rolling Cash 5: 7-8-11-24-25,
Classic Lotto: 2-7-16-19-28-41, **Kicker:** 2-4-2-4-8-1.
Rolling Cash 5 jackpot is \$120,000.
Classic Lotto jackpot is \$1.7 million.

Lucky for Life

SUNDAY: 2-10-21-36-44, **Lucky Ball:** 9.
MONDAY: Not available at press time.

Mega Millions

FRIDAY: 12-20-37-41-64, **Mega Ball:** 1, **Megaplier:** 3.
Next Mega Millions jackpot is an estimated \$187 million.

Powerball

MONDAY: Not available at press time.
Next Powerball jackpot is an estimated \$226 million.

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Today

Granger Township Board of Zoning Appeals, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m. — *canceled*.
Hinckley Township Trustees, special meeting to approve the purchase of a new tanker for the fire department, 6 p.m., administration building, 1410 Ridge Road; log into hinckleytpw.org for Zoom option to observe and listen only.
Medina County commissioners, regular meeting, 9:30 a.m., commissioner’s hearing room, 144 N. Broadway St., (facebook.com/MedinaCountyCommissioners).
Medina County Emergency Management Agency Executive Committee, presentation of Heather Hedge construction

plans, 2 p.m., All-Hazards Station 1, 5834 Heather Hedge Drive.
Medina County Public Hearing, levy of \$5 permissive motor vehicle license tax for the purpose of providing additional general operating revenues for planning, construction, improving, maintaining and repairing public roads, highways and streets, 11 a.m., commissioner’s hearing room, 144 N. Broadway St.
Wadsworth Board of Education, special meeting, 6 p.m., Four Cities Compact Conference Room, 524 Broad St.

Wednesday

Granger Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., township administration building, 3717 Ridge Road.

Medina County District Library Trustees, special meeting to consider the appointment of a public employee, 6 p.m., Medina Library, 210 S. Broadway St.

Thursday

Brunswick Financial Audit, Review and Advisory Committee, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., lunchroom, 4095 Center Road.
Brunswick Hills Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., town hall, 1918 Pearl Road.
Brunswick Planning Commission, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., city hall, 4095 Center Road.
Hinckley Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building,

1410 Ridge Road; log into hinckleytpw.org for Zoom option to observe and listen only.
Liverpool Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7:30 p.m., Liverpool Community Center, 6801 School St.
Medina County Board of Revision, regular meeting, 9 a.m., auditor’s conference room, 144 N. Broadway St.
Medina Township Trustees, special meeting for the tax budget, 5 p.m., town hall, 3799 Huffman Road.
Wadsworth Cable TV Commission, regular meeting, 4 p.m., council chambers, 120 Maple St.
York Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., York Town Hall/Fire Station Complex, 6609 Norwalk Road.

ROUNDUP



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The Medina County Historical Society partnered with TourismOhio in visiting more than 120 other attractions and destinations from across the state for the 2023 Ohio Tourism Day, which was held on May 10 at the Statehouse in Columbus.

Heart of it All.”

“Thanks to all of our tourism partners for taking part in this unique event that offers visitors a chance to discover new attractions and destinations that showcase all Ohio has to offer as a place of adventure, a place of promise, and the place for you,” said Lydia Mihalik, director of the Ohio Department of Development.

Every year, Ohio Tourism Day celebrates Ohio’s tourism industry and offers consumers the chance to explore vacation ideas across the state. Medina County Historical Society set up a display and talked to potential visitors eager to learn more about all the exciting things to do in the area.

Throughout the day, MCHS promoted both the John Smart House, 206 N. Elmwood Ave., and McDowell-Phillips House, 205 S. Prospect St., museums as great stops within Medina County, along with the other destinations the county has.

Medina County District Library events for the week

■ **Kim’s Family Martial Arts today at Leohr Park:** Learn more about the history and culture of martial arts, along with trying some moves during Kim’s Family Martial Arts program at 11 a.m.

today. The Seville Library-sponsored program will take place at Leohr Park, 99 High St. Register at bit.ly/3N1Dzcl.
■ **Baby chicks at Lodi Library:** Spend some time with Lodi Library’s newly hatched chicks during a scheduled storytime on Wednesday, starting at 10:30 a.m. Participants will celebrate the chicks hatching through song, rhymes and stories at Lodi Library, located at 635 Wooster St.

Local residents graduate from Grove City College

Several Medina County residents graduated from Grove City College in Pennsylvania on May 20. They were among the 435 students who received degrees from the college.

The following students graduated:
■ Eva Carbone of Brunswick earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business economics.
■ Max Chmura of Wadsworth earned a Bachelor of Science degree in finance.
■ Allyson Green of Wadsworth earned a Bachelor of Science degree in human resource management.
■ Mac Hancock of Brunswick earned a Bachelor of Science degree in marketing and business analysis.

— from staff reports

SACRIFICE

From A1

Before community members marched toward the Chatham Township Cemetery, a brief ceremony was held at Chatham Memorial Hall to remember Chatham Township residents who served and have since died.

“The American soldier is the reason we are able to assemble for this ceremony today,” said Rick Dumperth, a Chatham Township trustee. “To honor those who lost their lives while defending or fighting for our freedom is the reason why we have Memorial Day.”

During the program, Dumperth read the names of veterans whose names are not listed on the Chatham Township Veterans Memorial on the corner of state routes 162 and 83.

He listed those who are buried in Chatham Township first, then those who are buried elsewhere starting from the Civil War, followed by members of the former Chatham VFW Post 6892, including those who are buried in the township and those buried elsewhere.

It took Dumperth approximately 10 minutes to read



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Members of the Chatham Township Fire Department lead the Memorial Day Parade in Chatham Township on Monday morning.

through all of the names listed.

Following Dumperth was retired Lt. Col. Paul Boak, who was the guest speaker for the program. Boak graduated from Cloverleaf Schools in 1979, joining the Army National Guard in December 1981. He spent 33 years in

the military, serving on several tours including two tours in Afghanistan. Boak retired in February 2015.
“When I heard that roll call, it really sent shivers down my spine that such a small community could give up so many of their sons and daughters to go fight all the different battles that we had, all the way from the Revolutionary War to the Global War on Terrorism,” Boak said.

Throughout his speech, Boak talked about the number of people who played an important role in his life growing up like his dad, his baseball coach, his neighbors and

others, who all served in the military.

He reflected on the time he spent with Sgt. Vic Grimm, who served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Boak said that he and Grimm would exchange stories back and forth regarding their time in the military, hearing stories that Grimm’s family hadn’t heard.

“I encourage each and every one of you, if you have family members that served in the military, to actually go and talk to your family members and see what they did,” Boak said.

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SAFETY TOWN PLUS+
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In partnership with the Medina County Sheriff's Office, the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is happy to again be offering our annual Safety Town PLUS from **June 19 - June 23, 2023**. This program offers all the regular safety town fun "PLUS" the extra help some children with developmental disabilities may need.

Safety Town PLUS is designed for Medina County students, in grades K-1, with disabilities. We will teach children how to make good choices for safety and how to take action in emergency situations. Using an actual small-scale "town," our safety town is a real life learning environment that provides practice for many important safety lessons for children. Learn more and enroll your child for this event by following the buttons below.

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HINCKLEY continued from C1

who served their country and paid the ultimate sacrifice.

Hinckley's annual Memorial Day Parade will be Monday, May 29 starting at 9 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace Church.

During the parade, Hinckley trustees will stop to pay tribute with a wreath laying ceremony and a prayer at Veterans Memorial Park. The procession will continue to Town Hall where there will be a ceremony to honor Hinckley's own.

The parade will include local veterans and a number of different groups including this year's Hinckley Citizen of the Year Frank Orti.

After the ceremony at Town Hall there will be donuts provided by Hinckley Chamber of Commerce and distributed by Hinckley Women's Club. All are welcome to attend this event.

POSTINGS**Lodi Railroad Museum to hold first open house of the year on May 28**

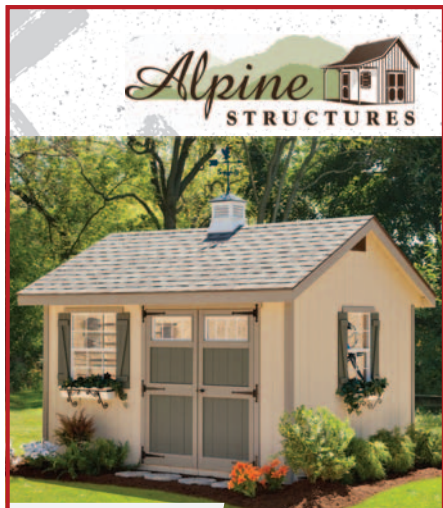
LODI — The Lodi Railroad Museum will hold its first open house of the year this Memorial Day weekend on Sunday, May 28, from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. It's a self-guided tour where you can see the newly donated speeder, talk with retired railroad employees, view the Chippewa Lake Kiddie Train, and view endless railroad memorabilia. Admission is free but donations are welcome! Call Fran at 330-421-1068 with any questions.

Memorial Day open house at Spring Grove Cemetery chapel

MEDINA — Friends of the Cemetery will host an open house at the historic Spring Grove Cemetery chapel on Memorial Day before and after the annual parade and Memorial Day service held at the Spring Grove Soldiers Mound. The public is invited to view the interior of the 1884 Victorian sandstone chapel with its intricately designed woodwork ceiling and newly installed stone floor. All are welcome!

Got papers? Come shred with us!

MEDINA — The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is hosting a FREE Community Shred Day on Saturday, June 10 from 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at the Medina County Achievement Center (4691 Windfall Road, Medina). If you are buried under piles of paperwork, have stacks of old files or just need a safe, secure way to get rid of unwanted documents, then stop by and drop them off. A shredding truck will be on-site to immediately handle all shredding needs. Confidential information such as bank statements, medical records, legal documents, tax records and papers with a social security number can be shredded for safety. Shredding is limited to four boxes or bags per vehicle. While this is a free event, donations will be accepted towards the MCBDD Donor Scholarship Fund. For more information on the MCBDD, visit www.mcbdd.org.



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Medina County Special Olympics will host its 40th annual invitational for athletes from around northeast Ohio. Over 200 athletes will gather to compete in track and field, power lifting, bocce ball, volleyball and tennis from June 3-4. The Medina County Special Olympics program is among the top five largest programs in the state of Ohio and operates in partnership through the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Saturday, June 3 events run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Medina High School (777 E. Union St., Medina) and will include track and field, and tennis (may be held at Paramount Tennis on 5041 Paramount Blvd, Medina). Sunday's events will run from noon to 5 p.m. at Medina High School (777 E. Union St., Medina) and include volleyball, powerlifting and Bocce.

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OSU-EXT reopens after relocation

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MEDINA — OSU Extension of Medina County opened its doors to the public last week after the organization made its move down the road to the corner of state Route 18 and Foote Road.
Erin Ruggiero, a family and consumer sciences educator for OSU-EXT-Medina County, said the staff mem-

bers moved in about two weeks ago and have worked to get completely unpacked to adjust to their new space.
The transition from their previous location in the Professional Building, located at 120 W. Washington St., to their new location at 4046 Medina Road came after discussions with the Medina County commissioners.
Commissioner Steve Hambley said that the Educational Service Center of

Medina County, another tenant of the Professional Building, is preparing to move out of the building over the summer.
With that move, the county began to slowly move the county functions out to then sell the property, which included a move for OSU-EXT-Medina County.
“There was the opportunity with that space (at 4046 Medina Road) to be able to use it for county purposes,” Hambley

said.
According to Hambley, Commissioner Colleen Swedyk worked with OSU-EXT-Medina County to find a better-fit location, leading to the property on Medina Road.
Hambley said that the space was previously a YMCA and then was used by former Medina County Domestic Relations Court Judge Mary Kovack, who died in February 2022, for the use of the

space for visitation purposes and other court activities.
With OSU-EXT moving into the space, Hambley believes it will provide several opportunities for collaboration, especially with it being next door to Loveland Farms, a collaborative space between the Medina County Park District, Hope Recovery Community and Cathy’s House.
See **OSU-EXT, A2**

Firemen join for extra training



MADISYN WOODRING / GAZETTE

A group of firefighters move a hoseline during a training session at the Medina County Career Center on Sunday.

Medina County Career Center hosts program to teach how to handle emergency situations in small groups

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette
MEDINA — Around 28 firefighters from various departments throughout Northeast Ohio came together for advanced, hands-on training at the Medina County Career Center on Saturday and Sunday.
Hinckley Fire Chief Jestin Grossenbaugh is in charge of the Medina County Fire Chiefs’ training committee. He said the committee reached out to Share The Passion Fire Training to give firefighters inside and outside Medina County extra training.

“Let’s do something that’s county-wide,” he said. “Let’s bring something in for more advanced fire training than what everybody learns in school, and try to keep it at a low price.”
Many local fire departments have moved to being staffed around the clock with two or three people working at a time, Grossenbaugh said. Therefore, the program is designed to teach firefighters how to handle an emergency situation in small groups before mutual aid partners arrive.
“The goal is to talk about the first 10 to 15 minutes on a fire scene and prior-

itize getting water on the fire or doing a search,” he said. “It’s a limited staffing class that was all focusing on engine company work with two or three members on the engine or performing different searches and forcing a door open to get in there to do it all.”
During the program, firefighters practiced performing searches of a structure by lifting and removing adult and child-sized dummies from a building, Grossenbaugh said. A forcible entry training door was also used, which simulates an inward or outward swinging door.
See **FIREMEN, A5**

CAROLYN LUDWIG MUGRAGE PARK

Garden party offers playtime for toddlers

Sara Crawford
The Gazette

GRANGER TWP. — Toddlers played with chalk, bubbles, Play-Doh and much more during the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities’ Toddler Garden Party on Monday.
“It’s a community outreach, toddler socialization, (and) parent socialization opportunity,” said Diana Wachsberger, a speech-language pathologist in early intervention with the MCBDD.
Monday’s event was open to local families with children ages 0-3, regardless if they have a dis-

ability or not, and took place at Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park, 4985 Windfall Road.
Throughout the event, several members of the Early Intervention team at MCBDD provided opportunities for toddlers to try out different things at several unstructured play areas that were set up, whether that be playing with Play-Doh, painting with dabber dot markers or drawing with chalk around the sidewalks.
Wachsberger said that the event is like a playgroup, allowing toddlers and their parents to socialize.
See **TODDLERS, A5**



SARA CRAWFORD / GAZETTE

3-year-old Lincoln Hardwick, left, and 1-year-old River Hardwick play with Play-Doh during the Toddler Garden Party on Monday at Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park in Medina.

Residents learn county history during annual Dandelion Drive



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Jeffrey Nau demonstrates blacksmithing techniques during the Dandelion Drive at the Brunswick Area Historical Society on Sunday.

Madisyn Woodring
The Gazette

Medina County residents had the opportunity to step back in time and learn more about the history of Medina County during this year’s Dandelion Drive on Sunday.
The Dandelion Drive is a self-driving tour of certain historical societies in the county. This year’s event featured the Liverpool Township Historical Society, Brunswick Area Historical Society, Hinckley Historical Society, Weymouth Preservation Society and Granger Historical Society.
The Historical Council of Medina County holds the event yearly, and it functions similarly to the Fall Foliage Tour, which occurs later in the year.

“Part of the job (of a historical society) is to find and preserve historical artifacts. The other part is to let them be known.”

Rod Knight, Liverpool Township Historical Society member

The county is split into four parts, and each year the Dandelion Drive takes place in a different region of the county by rotating around the quadrants. Last year’s tour took place in Medina, York Township and Litchfield Township.
Liverpool Township Historical Society member Rod Knight said the annual tour started because the historical societies in the county came together around eight years ago and

decided to coordinate one day a year to have a simultaneous open house in which people could visit one historical society after another.
The name “Dandelion Drive” came to be because dandelions are commonly seen in yards during this time of year, he said.
“Have you gone anywhere in Medina County without seeing yellow dandelions?” he said.
See **HISTORY, A5**

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MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS THROUGHOUT MEDINA COUNTY

Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery Service

Parking will be limited this year, so please make arrangements to carpool or be transported to the cemetery.
When: 10 a.m. Sunday.
Where: 10175 Rawiga Road, Seville.

Litchfield Township Remembrance Walk

The walk will begin at the town hall end at the cemetery. The ceremony will be held at Circle Park Gazebo, with the Litchfield Town Band leading the parade. The speaker will be Diane Siman, president of Patriot Mothers Chapter 7: Blue Star Mothers of Brunswick.
When: 1:30 p.m. Sunday.
Where: 9256 Norwalk Road.

York Township Parade and Service

The march will begin at York United Methodist Church and will end at York Cemetery for a ceremony. There will be food vendors set up at Old York School after the ceremony. All are welcome to participate in the parade and decorate.
When: 3 p.m. Sunday.
Where: York United Methodist Church, 6566 Norwalk Road.

Sharon Center United Methodist Church Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by Sharon Center United Methodist Church. The annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast will be held before, during and after the community parade and ceremony. It is by donation, with all proceeds to support local organizations.

When: 7-11 a.m. Monday.
Where: Sharon Center United Methodist Church, 6407 Ridge Road.

Wadsworth Fire Department's Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast

Hosted by the Wadsworth Fire Department. Prices are \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for kids ages 12 and younger, and kids 3 years old and younger are free.
When: 8 a.m. to noon Monday.
Where: Fire Station 1, 153 N. Lyman St.

Spencer Community Fire District's Pancake Breakfast

Raising funds for the fire district; meals are on a cash donation.
When: 8 a.m. to noon Monday.
Where: Town Hall, 112 N. Main St.

Lodi American Legion Post 523 Memorial Day Parade

Hosted by American Legion Post 523. The parade will begin in the square and travel to Woodlawn Cemetery, where the main ceremonies and honors will take place.
When: 9 a.m. Monday.
Where: Lodi Square.

Granger Township Memorial Day Parade

A parade will start at Highland Middle School, going to Fairview Cemetery and will be followed by a program of remembrance.
When: 9 a.m. Monday.
Where: Highland Middle School, 3880 Ridge Road.

Hinckley Township Parade and Ceremony

The parade will begin at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church and will proceed to the Veteran War Memorial Park for a wreath-laying ceremony and a moment of silence. The parade will then continue to its final destination of the administration building for the final ceremony.
When: 9 a.m. Monday.
Where: Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 1088 Ridge Road.

Chatham Township Ceremony and Parade

The ceremony will be at Memorial Hall with guest speaker retired Army National Guard Lt. Col. Paul Boak followed by a parade (no vehicles) to the cemetery to place flags and flowers on veterans' graves. Youth of all ages are invited to participate.
When: 10 a.m. Monday.
Where: Memorial Hall, 6299 Avon Lake Road.

Wadsworth Memorial Day Parade

The parade will begin at 10:30 a.m. in front of the American Legion and continue on to Woodlawn Cemetery, where a brief ceremony will take place. All veterans and their families are welcome to join the parade as it passes by.
When: 10:30 a.m. Monday.
Where: American Legion Post 170, 129 Main St.

Valley City/Liverpool Township Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony of Remembrance

Hosted by VFW Post 5563. Those interested in marching in the somber parade should line up at the Community Center at

10:30 a.m., with the parade kick-off at 11 a.m. The Buckeye marching band will be performing. The parade will end at the VFW for a brief Ceremony of Remembrance.
When: 11 a.m. Monday.
Where: Community Center, 6801 School St.

Westfield Center Memorial Day Parade

The parade will commence at Westfield Park and will conclude at the Westfield Cemetery. Those participating in the parade are asked to arrive at the park at 10:30 a.m. to line up. A short memorial service will take place at the end of the parade route in the Westfield Cemetery on Greenwich Road.
When: 11 a.m. Monday.
Where: Westfield Center Village Park, 8712 N. Leroy Road.

Seville Memorial Day Parade

The ceremony is to begin in front of Seville First Baptist Church. The parade line-up will be on East Market Street down the street from the post office.
When: 1 p.m. Monday.
Where: Seville First Baptist Church, 22 E. Main St.

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 385 Memorial Day Ceremony

Hosted by the Medina County Vietnam Veterans Chapter 385. The names of all Medina County residents killed in action from World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq.
When: 1 p.m. Monday.
Where: Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 210 Northland Drive.



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One-year-old Presley Johnson paints with a dot marker as Brooke Johnson of Medina watches her during the Toddler Garden Party on Monday at Carolyn Ludwig Mgrage Park in Medina.

TODDLERS

From A1

MCBDD plans to host two additional events like Toddler Garden Party for county residents, with one in July and another in September. "The other events will probably be at different locations in Medina (County) just because we service all of Medina County," Wachsberger said. "We'd like to have them in dif-

ferent spots if certain families would be more likely to come to other areas." The future events will follow different themes while still following the same goal of providing informal community gatherings to allow young families to meet, create connections and share experiences.

Wachsberger said that MCBDD originally planned on starting the playgroup in March 2020 at one of the local library branches but was put on hold until last year due to COVID.

Last year, MCBDD held two playgroups for toddlers in outdoor settings during

the summer, having about 30-40 kids come each time. On Monday, there were approximately over 70 kids at the event, both on the park's playground and in the pavilion participating in the different play areas.

"We're aiming to have those outside opportunities still, just in case," Wachsberger said. "Just to make it accessible to families. Kids like to be outdoors anyways."

To learn more about the MCBDD and find out about future events, visit mcbdd.org.

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HISTORY

From A1

On the first stop of the tour, participants could learn more about how a salt spring led to the start of Liverpool Township, as well as newly discovered facts about the township's locomotive. Also, near the depot museum, pioneer quilting and early wood-working demonstrations took place.

In Brunswick, the barn and other outbuildings were filled with local artifacts. Inside the barn, members of the Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild spun wool, while outside the building, Jeffrey Nau demonstrated his blacksmithing techniques by making tools out of metal. Farm animals from Spring Mist Farms were part of a petting zoo for attendees to visit as well.

A variety of local historical artifacts were on display in Hinckley, Weymouth and Granger. The items ranged from period clothing, jewelry, furniture, antique dolls, photos, yearbooks and more.

"Part of the job (of a historical society) is to find and preserve historical artifacts," Knight said. "The other part is to let them be known."

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ABOVE: Melissa Rusnak spins wool Sunday during the Brunswick Area Historical Society's Dandelion Drive. **BELOW:** Sandy Berger works on a quilt as part of the Dandelion Drive at the Liverpool Historical Society.



FIREMEN

From A1

"We can put wood in there, and we can add more wood to increase the difficulty of allowing the firefighters to break the door," he said.

Firefighters blacked out their masks to simulate responding to an emergency where there is no visibility, Grossenbaugh said. Additionally, smoke filled the training buildings later, which allowed groups to practice getting water on a building or perform a search in the same type of no visibility environment.

"They're going to come up either through a window or through the downstairs door, make their entry up and perform a search up here and remove any possible victims," he said.

The following local departments participated Sunday:

- Brunswick Hills
- Granger
- Highland Hills
- Hinckley
- Jeromesville
- Medina
- Richfield
- Uniontown

"(It's) the first Medina County Fire Chiefs' committee training class we've had in some time, at least since the pandemic," Grossenbaugh said. "We're looking to do more potentially next year and expand it a little more."

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Today is Monday, May 22, the 142nd day of 2023. There are 223 days left in the year.

Today's history

- In 1939, the foreign ministers of Germany and Italy, Joachim von Ribbentrop and Galeazzo Ciano, signed a "Pact of Steel" committing the two countries to a military alliance.
- In 1960, an earthquake of magnitude 9.5, the strongest ever measured, struck southern Chile, claiming some 1,655 lives.
- In 1962, Continental Airlines Flight 11, en route from Chicago to Kansas City, Missouri, crashed after a bomb apparently brought on board by a passenger exploded, killing all 45 occupants of the Boeing 707.
- In 1967, a fire at the L'Innovation department store in Brussels killed 322 people. Poet and playwright Langston Hughes died in New York at age 65.
- In 1968, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Scorpion, with 99 men aboard, sank in the Atlantic Ocean. (The remains of the sub were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.)
- In 1969, the lunar module of Apollo 10, with Thomas P. Stafford and Eugene Cernan aboard, flew to within nine miles of the moon's surface in a dress rehearsal for the first lunar landing.
- In 1985, U.S. sailor Michael L. Walker was arrested aboard the aircraft carrier Nimitz, two days after his father, John A. Walker Jr., was apprehended; both were later convicted of spying for the Soviet Union. (Michael Walker served 15 years in prison and was released in 2000.)
- In 1992, after a reign lasting nearly 30 years, Johnny Carson hosted NBC's "Tonight Show" for the final time. (Jay Leno took over as host three days later.)
- In 2006, The Department of Veterans Affairs said personal

data, including Social Security numbers of 26.5 million U.S. veterans, was stolen from a VA employee after he took the information home without authorization.

- In 2011, a tornado devastated Joplin, Missouri, with winds up to 250 mph, claiming at least 159 lives and destroying about 8,000 homes and businesses.
- In 2020, "Full House" star Lori Loughlin and her fashion designer husband, Mossimo Giannulli, pleaded guilty to paying half a million dollars into the University of Southern California as part of a college admissions bribery scheme. (Loughlin would spend two months behind bars; Giannulli began a five-month sentence in November 2020 and was released to home confinement in April 2021.)

Today's birthdays

Conductor Peter Nero is 89. Actor-director Richard Benjamin is 85. Actor Frank Converse is 85. Actor Barbara Parkins is 81. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher Tommy John is 80. Songwriter Bernie Taupin is 73. Actor-producer Al Corley is 68. Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, is 66. Singer Morrissey is 64. Actor Ann Cusack is 62. Country musician Dana Williams (Diamond Rio) is 62. Rock musician Jesse Valenzuela is 61. Actor Mark Christopher Lawrence is 59. R&B singer Johnny Gill (New Edition) is 57. Rock musician Dan Roberts (Crash Test Dummies) is 56. Actor Brooke Smith is 56. Actor Michael Kelly is 54. Model Naomi Campbell is 53. Actor Anna Belknap is 51. Actor Alison Eastwood is 51. Singer Donell Jones is 50. Actor Sean Gunn is 49. Actor A.J. Langer is 49. Actor Ginnifer Goodwin is 45. R&B singer Vivian Green is 44. Actor Maggie Q is 44. Olympic gold medal speed skater Apolo Anton Ohno is 41. Actor Molly Ephraim (TV: "Last Man Standing") is 37.

WEATHER

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WEDNESDAY: Sunny	72/43
THURSDAY: Sunny	63/42

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LOTTERY

Ohio (Sunday)

Midday Pick 3: 1-6-1, **Pick 3:** 6-5-0, **Midday Pick 4:** 2-0-7-2, **Pick 4:** 7-2-0-9, **Midday Pick 5:** 7-1-7-7-1, **Pick 5:** 5-2-4-1-7, **Rolling Cash 5:** 7-15-16-32-36, **Rolling Cash 5 jackpot is \$150,000.** **Classic Lotto jackpot is \$1.3 million.**

Lucky for Life

FRIDAY: 1-10-28-30-40, **Lucky Ball:** 16. **SATURDAY:** 13-23-30-34-39, **Lucky Ball:** 13. **SUNDAY:** 9-11-18-22-27, **Lucky Ball:** 9.

Mega Millions

FRIDAY: 5-11-41-44-55, **Mega Ball:** 14, **Megaplier:** 2. **Next Mega Millions jackpot is an estimated \$150 million.**

Powerball

SATURDAY: 17-23-32-38-63, **Powerball:** 23, **Power Play:** 2. **Next Powerball jackpot is an estimated \$179 million.**

Ohio (Saturday)

Midday Pick 3: 1-4-8, **Pick 3:** 0-3-4, **Midday Pick 4:** 1-6-2-7, **Pick 4:** 0-0-1-5, **Midday Pick 5:** 2-0-3-7-6, **Pick 5:** 6-5-6-5-4, **Rolling Cash 5:** 2-9-19-26-27, **Classic Lotto:** 1-9-13-25-41-47, **Kicker:** 2-7-7-3-0-4.

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

Today

Brunswick Services, Utilities, Technology and Cable Committee, regular meeting, 6:10 p.m., followed by Finance Committee at 6:20 p.m., Committee-of-the-Whole at 6:35 p.m. and Brunswick City Council at 7 p.m., city hall, 4095 Center Road.

Buckeye Board of Education, work session, 6 p.m., Buckeye High School Media Center, 3084 Columbia Road.

Educational Service Center of Medina County Governing Board, regular meeting, 6 p.m., 124 W. Washington St.

Highland Board of Education, regular meeting, 6 p.m., Highland High School Media Center, 4150 Ridge Road.

Litchfield Township Trustees, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., Litchfield Town Hall, 9266 Norwalk Road.

Lodi Village Council, regular meeting, 7 p.m., Lodi Village Hall, 110 Ainsworth St.

Medina Board of Control, regular meeting, 4:30 p.m., multi-purpose room, 132 N. Elmwood Ave.

Medina Finance Committee, regular meeting, 6 p.m., followed by Medina City Council at 7:30 p.m., council rotunda, 132 N. Elmwood Ave.

Medina Township Trustees, special meeting to accept an employee's resignation and to consider advertising to fill the position, 4 p.m., town hall, 3799 Huffman Road.

Seville Zoning and Planning

Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., council room, 120 Royal Crest Drive.

Wadsworth Board of Control, regular meeting, 1:30 p.m., mayor's office, 120 Maple St.

Tuesday

Brunswick Hills Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., town hall, 1918 Pearl Road.

Buckeye Board of Education, special meeting, 8 a.m., Buckeye Board Office, 3044 Columbia Road.

Chatham Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., community center, 6306 Avon Lake Road.

Granger Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building, 3717 Ridge Road.

Lodi Board of Public Affairs, regular meeting, 6 p.m., Lodi Village Hall, 110 Ainsworth St.

Medina County Board of Elections, certification meeting, 2:30 p.m., Medina County Board of Elections, 3800 Stonegate Drive, Suite C.

Medina County Career Center Board of Education, regular meeting, 6 p.m., boardroom, 1101 W. Liberty St.

Medina County commissioners, regular meeting, 9:30 a.m., commissioner's hearing room, 144 N. Broadway St., (facebook.com/MedinaCountyCommissioners).

Medina County Democratic Party Executive Committee, regular meeting, 7 p.m., held via Zoom, contact medinademsinfo@gmail.com to attend.

ROUNDUP

Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities to hold toddler garden party

The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities will be hosting a toddler garden party for children who are up to three years old on Monday from 10-11 a.m. at Carolyn Ludwig Mugarage Park at 4985 Windfall Road in Medina.

During the event, MCBDD's early intervention staff will be providing opportunities for sensory play, songs, toddler activities, early childhood development information and snacks.

"Young children learn best from each other, which is why activities like our play, learn and grow group are great opportunities for families of young children to gather, have some fun with their child and meet and learn from new toddler playmates," MCBDD Director of Children's Services Celeste Bajorek said.

The garden party is free and open to any family with young children who have or do not have disabilities. In case of rain, the event will be held on Wednesday. Updates will be posted on the organization's website at mcbdd.org. For more information or questions, contact the MCBDD early intervention staff at (330) 725-7751 option 1 or visit the organization's website.

Teachers organization to hold luncheon

The Medina County Retired Teachers Association will hold its second luncheon of the year on June 13 at noon. It will take place at Williams on the Lake at 787 Lafayette Road in Medina. All retired teachers and administrators are welcome including substitute teachers, private school teachers and college educators.

Information will be given about legislation, day bus trips, supporting grants for teachers, a scholarship, new programs in schools and more.

The cost of the buffet luncheon is \$15. Reservations are due by June 3 and can be made by contacting J Zurellat at 2901 Hamlin Road, Medina, OH 44256 or by calling (330) 723-2364. Please make checks payable to MCRTA.

University names students to dean's list, president's list

The Southern New Hampshire University named local students to the dean's list and president's list for the winter semester. The winter term runs from January through May.

The following students were named to the dean's list:

- Nate Bennett of Medina

DEBT

From A1

The White House confirmed today's meeting and late Sunday talks but did not elaborate on the leaders' call.

Earlier, Biden used his concluding news conference in Hiroshima, Japan, to warn House Republicans that they must move off their "extreme positions" over raising the debt limit and that there would be no agreement to avoid a catastrophic default only on their terms.

Biden said "it's time for Republicans to accept that

there is no deal to be made solely, solely, on their partisan terms." He said he had done his part in attempting to raise the borrowing limit so the government can keep paying its bills, by agreeing to significant cuts in spending. "Now it's time for the other side to move from their extreme position."

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Medina County Public Hearing, Community Housing Impact and Preservation Program, 9 a.m., balcony room B, 144 N. Broadway St.

Montville Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building and safety services building, 6665 Wadsworth Road.

Sharon Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., Sharon Township Administration Building, 1322 Sharon Copley Road.

Wadsworth Cemetery Board, regular meeting, 6 p.m., administrative conference room, 120 Maple St.

Wadsworth Shade Tree Commission, regular meeting, 5 p.m., council chambers, 120 Maple St.

Westfield Township Board of Zoning Appeals, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., Westfield Township Hall, 6699 Buffham Road.

Wednesday

Hinckley Township Board of Zoning Appeals, public hearing, 7 p.m., administration building, 1410 Ridge Road, log into hinckleytpw.org for Zoom option to observe and listen only.

Lafayette Township Zoning Commission, work session for continued revisions of zoning regulations, 6 p.m., Lafayette Safety Services building, 6367 Technology Lane.

Medina City/Montville Township JEDD Board, regular meeting, 3 p.m., Montville Township Administration Building, 6665 Wadsworth Road.

Medina City Council, budget hearing, 5 p.m. — canceled.

Medina County Emergency Management Agency Executive Board, regular meeting, 8:30 a.m., All-Hazards Station #1, 5834 Heather Hedge Drive.

Medina County Family First Council, regular meeting, 9 a.m., conference room, 4800 Ledgewood Drive.

Montville Township Zoning Commission, regular meeting, 7 p.m., administration building and safety services building, 6665 Wadsworth Road.

Region 19 Board for OneOhio MOU: Opioid Litigation Settlement, regular meeting, 2:30 p.m., Richland County Administration Building's commissioners' boardroom, 50 Park Ave., E., Mansfield.

Wadsworth City Council, special meeting to consider confidential information relating to marketing plans, specific business strategic of the city's utilities department and any subsequent legislation, an executive session is anticipated, 6:30 p.m., administrative conference room, 120 Maple St.

Thursdays

Medina County Advisory Council on Aging, regular meeting, 1 p.m., Office for Older Adults, 246 Northland Drive.

Medina Township Trustees, regular meeting, 7 p.m., town hall, 3799 Huffman Road.

York Township Trustees, regular meeting, 6:30 p.m., York Township Fire Complex, 6609 Norwalk Road.

■ Sarah Warrington of Wadsworth

The following students were named to the president's list:

- Megan Connor of Wadsworth
- Meghan Keal of Medina
- Abigail Miller of Brunswick
- Ryan Webster of Medina

Upcoming event at the Wadsworth Public Library

The Wadsworth Public Library will be hosting a sensory friendly story time for people of all ages on Monday at 6:30 p.m. There will be stories, songs and rhymes followed by time to play.

Register at bit.ly/3olPSa5. When registering, feel free to share pertinent information that will allow the library to better engage with attendees.

Vandemark Road closure begins today

Vandemark Road in Litchfield Township will be closed from today through Saturday between Stone Road and Norwalk Road at the Wheeling and Lake Railroad Crossing, which lies approximately 385 feet north of Stone Road. Any questions regarding the closure should be directed to Heidi Rowlands from Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad at (330) 767-7229.

— from staff reports

Even with a new wave of tax revenue expected soon, perhaps giving both sides more time to negotiate, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that "the odds of reaching June 15, while being able to pay all of our bills, is quite low."

Biden had been scheduled to travel from Hiroshima to Papua New Guinea and Australia, but cut short his trip in light of the strained negotiations with Capitol Hill.

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See DEBT, A6

POLICE

From A1

A lot of kids show up to that event without helmets, so we're able to give them some helmets as well."

The program helps to stress the importance of wearing a helmet, Mummert said. According to the Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, it is estimated that 10 to 20 percent of Ohio chil-

dren wear bike helmets, and a helmet can lessen the risk of a severe brain injury by up to 88 percent.

"Brain injuries are a significant portion of head injuries, especially with younger kids," he said. "Their brains are in a constant state of development. We want to do what we can to help protect those."

Contact reporter Madisyn Woodring at (330) 721-4049 or mwwoodring@medina-gazette.com.

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Preserving History



Medina's Town Hall and Engine House Museum is located in the historic 1878 Fire House at 50 Public Square.

Town Hall Museum opens for summer this Saturday

The Medina Town Hall and Engine House Museum will re-open for the summer season Saturday, May 20.

Located in the historic 1878 Fire House at 50 Public Square, the museum's focus is on the fascinating history of the town of Medina. Docents will be on hand to welcome visitors and answer questions. This is a community museum and entry is free.

The museum will be open every Saturday morning from 10 to noon during the Farmers' Market. Open hours will be extended for special events such as "Kids

Day" on June 3. The museum will also open before each Friday night Community Band Concert and for other special events such as Art in the Park.

Long-time museum docent James Banks noted that, "We have added new displays to the museum this year and have a wonderful collection that dramatically tells the story of Medina's history. We invite the public to stop in and enjoy the experience."

Visit www.Facebook.com/medinamuseum for updates and for information about upcoming open times for the museum.

Dandelion Drive: A Journey in Time



Medina County's Dandelions are in full bloom. This self-driving tour of five historical societies in the northeast region of Medina County will include Liverpool Historical Society, Brunswick Area Historical Society, Hinckley Historical Society, Weymouth Preservation Society and Granger Historical Society. Save the date of Sunday, May 21, from noon to 5 p.m. to learn more about Medina County history. Each location will feature artifacts, history, displays and more. The event is presented by the Historical Council of Medina County for its seventh year.

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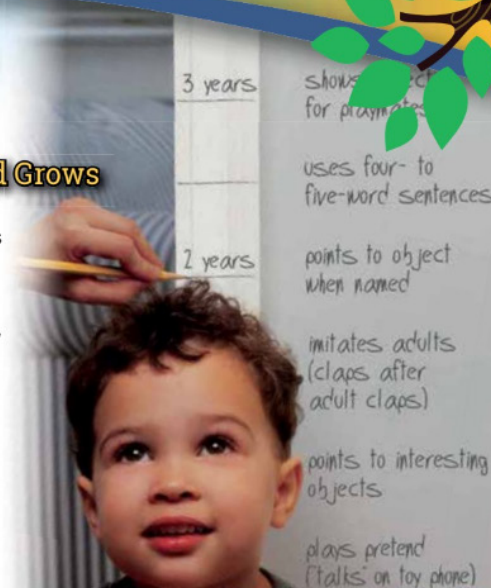
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DID YOU HEAR?

Aerosmith, Jonas Brothers, Shinedown to perform

■ Fresh off their sold-out Broadway engagement and April appearance on “Saturday Night Live,” the **Jonas Brothers** recently announced an ambitious summer tour that finds the pop act performing five albums — including their latest, “The Album” — every night. The Grammy Award-winning band is scheduled to perform Sept. 18 at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse.

■ Not only is **Aerosmith** celebrating its 50th anniversary this year with its farewell “Peace Out Tour,” but the rock act is also repeating history by touring with its 1990 band mates **The Black Crowes** as a supporting act. The special bill rolls into Northeast Ohio for a Sept. 21 show at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse.

Tickets to these Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse shows are now on sale at rocketmortgagefieldhouse.com.

■ Armed with recent radio hits “A Symptom of Being Human” and “Dead Don’t Die,” **Shinedown** announced its “The Revolutions Live Tour” with openers **Papa Roach** and **Spiritbox**. The rock radio bill is scheduled to perform Sept. 6 at Blossom Music Center.

■ When it comes to a slow brew of a career, Grammy Award-winning singer-songwriter **Brandi Carlile** is hitting her peak nearly a quarter of a century in the industry. Touring in support of “In the Canyon Haze,” Carlile returns to Northeast Ohio for a Sept. 16 show at Blossom Music Center.

Tickets to these Blossom Music Center shows are now on sale at [Livenation.com](https://livenation.com).

■ Ready to go “Crazy on You,” **Ann Wilson** is touring this summer with **Tripsitter**. The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductee is also working on a new album with Tripsitter. Ann Wilson of Heart & Tripsitter has booked a July 14 date at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage.



Black

■ Hilarious and honest, **Lewis Black** titled his recently released stand-up special “Tragically, I Need You.” Next up for the Grammy Award winner is his fall “Off The Rails Tour,” which includes an Oct. 20 date at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage.

■ After a sold-out show in 2022, **Engelbert Humperdinck** — who turned 88 on May 2 — returns to MGM Northfield Park Center Stage for an Oct. 21 show at the Northeast Ohio area venue.



Humperdink

■ Comedian, actor and radio host **Corey Holcomb** announced “The Book of Coreythians’ Chapter 1 Tour” will be coming to Northeast Ohio. Fans can check out the funnyman Nov. 3 at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage.

■ Staind founder **Aaron Lewis** continues to explore his solo career with a fall acoustic tour supporting his latest album, “Frayed At Both Ends.” The itinerary includes a Nov. 16 show at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage.

Tickets to these MGM Northfield Park Center Stage shows are now on sale at [Livenation.com](https://livenation.com).

■ Fans of MTV looking to relive the video music channel’s salad days will have to travel to see **Rick Springfield** headline this year’s “I Want My ‘80s” tour, which also features **The Hooters**, **Paul Young**, **John Waite**, **The Tubes** and **Tommy Tutone**. The walk-down-memory-lane show performs Aug. 4 at the Youngstown Foundation Amphitheatre. Tickets are now on sale at [Ticketmaster.com](https://ticketmaster.com).

■ World music act **The Gipsy Kings** featuring **Nicolas Reyes** returns stateside this fall with an Oct. 1 show booked at the Goodyear Theater. Tickets are now on sale at [Ticketmaster.com](https://ticketmaster.com).

Shows this week

■ **Natalie Merchant**, 8 p.m. today, KeyBank State Theatre, \$39.50 to \$99, [PlayhouseSquare.org](https://playhousesquare.org).

■ **Clutch**, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Jacobs Pavilion, \$12 to \$65, [Axs.com](https://axs.com).
— John Benson



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ABOVE: The Jonas Brothers are scheduled to perform Sept. 18 at Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse. **BELOW, LEFT:** Ann Wilson of Heart & Tripsitter has booked a July 14 date at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage. **BELOW, RIGHT:** Aaron Lewis’ fall acoustic tour includes a Nov. 16 show at MGM Northfield Park Center Stage.



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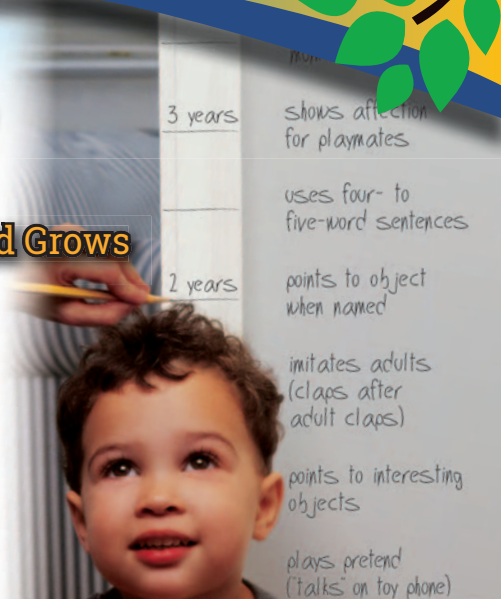
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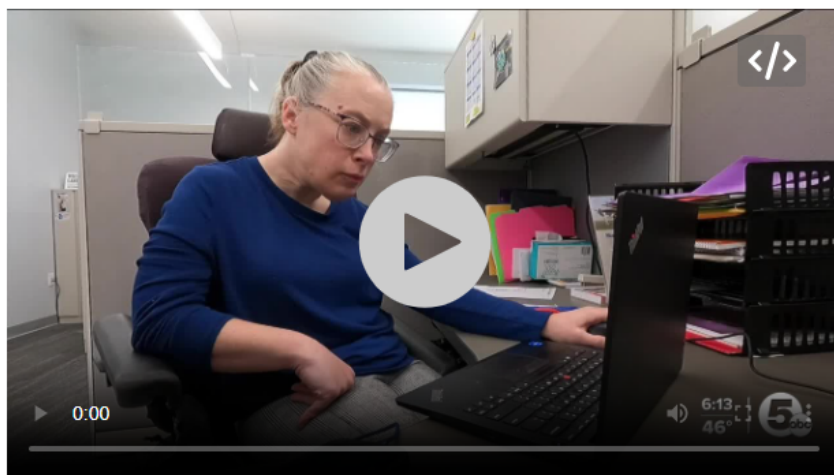
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New project in Medina aims to help access and inclusion for individuals with disabilities



The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is pushing for inclusion in their community. It's all a part of their Committed to Inclusion Project.



By: Remi Murrey

Posted at 6:58 AM, May 11, 2023 and last updated 7:09 AM, May 11, 2023

MEDINA, Ohio — The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities is pushing for inclusion in their community.

"As a person with a disability, I feel like when I'm included, that I feel valued and I feel important, and I have the opportunity to do what everybody else does," said Courtney Jordan, who is the Family Support Services and Provider Relations Specialist for Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

For people like Courtney Jordan, who lives with cerebral palsy, she says it can be challenging to get around.

"What I have to do is I have to find a business; if there is one that is not accessible, I'll just find someplace else to go," said Jordan.

With these challenges, Jordan still keeps pressing forward.

"I like to spend money in my community, and it is disappointing when I have to go someplace else," said Jordan.

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Jordan's turned her disappointment into an opportunity to make her community better for other people who are just like her, and now she's chair of Medina's Committed to Inclusion Project.

Since April, the group has been meeting with different businesses to advocate and improve access for people with developmental disabilities.

"They wanted to be able to visit places more often, and sometimes physical barriers stop them from doing that, so it started out with just accessibility," said Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities Community Relations Manager Patti Hetkey.

They're also pushing for more employment opportunities and inclusive spaces for those with developmental disabilities to help with community planning.

"Accessibility is really just the physical space," said Hetkey. "Inclusion is kind of the thought process and the philosophy behind it. Once they're here, do they feel welcomed?"

One of those businesses providing accommodations to those with developmental disabilities is All Fired Up.

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"If any one of our clientele needs a ramp to be able to come into the building, we have just one step up; we have a mobile ramp that's really easy for us to set up and assist them into the building," said All Fired Up Owner Amanda Hudak.

By providing this service, Hudak hopes her efforts will make a difference in people's lives like Jordan's.

"We want to make sure we're letting people know that we're willing to make that extra step to make our buildings and our businesses adaptable," said Hudak.

The board plans to have more conversations with local businesses and organizations to continue promoting access and inclusivity across the community.

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it probably would need to pass on the Senate floor, or to win passage in the GOP-controlled House, unless changes are made to restrict the administration's rulemaking power over railroads.

The bill has been the subject of bipartisan negotiations that resulted in changes to the original version introduced by Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio.

Ian Jefferies, president of the Association of American Railroads, said those negotiations have improved the bill, but "challenges remain with certain provisions," including a requirement for at least two crew members on each train.

In his letter late Tuesday to committee members, Norfolk Southern CEO Shaw said that while the company has accrued nearly \$400 million in charges for the derailment, that doesn't include

compensation for falling property values, long-term health care or water treatment. It also does not reflect payments the railroad will receive from insurance.

Shaw said Cruz encouraged him to write the letter, which contained more details around homeowner compensation than the company had previously provided. "This commitment demonstrates that, as Senator Cruz and others have indicated, Norfolk Southern understands that this derailment was not the fault of the people of East Palestine," the CEO said.

The federal government, the state of Ohio and residents near the crash have all filed lawsuits against Norfolk Southern.

Shares of Norfolk Southern Corp., based in Atlanta, rose a fraction of a penny in trading Wednesday.

POSTINGS

Vintage tea at Chatham Community Center

SPENCER — Come and enjoy a special luncheon and listen to stories of wedding dresses through the ages. The event will be held on May 20, 2023 from 11:30-2PM at the Chatham Community Center (6306 Avon Lake Road, Spencer). Sponsored by the Chatham Historical Society. Contact Sarah Bistline at 330-606-6609 or sbistline1@mac.com for tickets. \$25 per person, presale only.

Medina County Board of DD offers Play, Learn and Grow Group

MEDINA COUNTY — The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) is presenting a "Toddler Garden Party", for families with children ages 0-3 on Monday, May 22 from 10:00-11:00 am at Carolyn Ludwig Mugarage Park (4985 Windfall Road, Medina).

Children are children regardless of where they are in their development. They all like to learn, explore, and grow through play. That is why the MCBDD has created its Play, Learn and Grow Group; a community playgroup for young children ages 0-3 and their parents/guardians. The goal is to provide informal community gatherings, based on a specific theme, which gives young families a chance to meet, form connections and share experiences and challenges of raising toddlers. The theme of this year's first session celebrates Spring through a "Toddler Garden Party".

During the event, MCBDD's Early Intervention staff will be providing opportunities for sensory play, songs, toddler activities, early childhood development information and, of course, snacks.

"Young children learn best from each other, which is why activities like our Play, Learn and Grow Group are great opportunities for families of young children to gather, have some fun with their child and meet and learn from new toddler playmates," states Celeste Bajorek, MCBDD Director of Children's Services.

The "Toddler Garden Party" is free and open to any family with children ages 0-3 with or without

disabilities. In case of rain, this event will be held on Wednesday, May 24 – updates will be posted on the MCBDD website at www.mcbdd.org. For more information or questions, contact the MCBDD Early Intervention staff at 330-725-7751, option 1 or visit www.mcbdd.org/event-calendar/.

Access the Arts hosting Kids Arts Camp

MEDINA COUNTY — Access the Arts invites all aspiring artists – in visual arts, dance and music – to attend its annual Kids Arts Camp July 17 - 19. The camp will give children going into grades 1 through 5 an exposure to the arts and let them experience the joy that creativity can bring. Kids Arts Camp will be held at United Church of Christ, Congregational, 217 E. Liberty St., Medina, from 8:30 am to 11:45am Monday through Wednesday. On Wednesday, July 19, the camp will conclude with a Kids Arts Fest from noon to 1:30pm on Medina's Square. The whole community is invited to enjoy the artwork and performances created by camp students along with face painting, make-it-take-it crafts, and a performance by Hearts for Music and Rolando. Lunch will be available for purchase from Medina Kiwanis. Each class will be taught by professional teachers and artists with the assistance of volunteers. The arts experiences include: Art Sparks - 2D art sparks imagination; Sculpt-Paint-Create, Make colorful 3D art; Exploring Music - Play-Sing-Create; The Art of Dance – Learn contemporary dance. The fee per student for the camp is \$75 with a maximum of 60 students accepted. Financial assistance is available upon request. Contact Jane Back at info@accessthearts.net for more information. To register, [click here](#).

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2 Months

At two months, babies are social and love to interact; they are wide-eyed and curious, smiling and engaging with everything around them. During this stage, babies love the warmth of hugs to help soothe them, so start holding your baby close to your face and make eye contact. Have “conversations” when they make cooing noises by speaking back to them. This back and forth develops language and communication skills. Say the names of objects or people your little one shows interest in. Make tummy-time a priority and use it to encourage head, arm and leg movements.

4 Months

By four months little ones are growing more social and moving more purposefully. Babies at this age love to babble, coo, play and mimic the sounds they hear and movements they see. Help develop hand-eye coordination by leaving rattles near them so they can reach for and shake them. Encourage babies to roll over by putting them on harder surfaces (soft surfaces will be difficult at this stage). You will also notice cries start to sound different as they learn to communi-

cate hunger, discomfort and sleepiness.

6 Months

This is the time babies start using sounds to express emotion. They mimic the sounds they hear, like “ma,” “da,” “oh” and even “no!” Your little one will soon be crawling - start preparing your home (and yourself) for a mobile child! Continue to talk to babies about what is going on around. Start playing more games like peek-a-boo. Help your baby learn their name by using it often. Provide your baby with toys that are easy to pick up with one hand.

9 Months

Babies are much more mobile at 9 months and like to explore. They are crawling and placing them by furniture can help them raise themselves up to stand. Safety in the home becomes an important issue. Your baby now responds to its name, loves to cuddle with family members and may show shyness or fear of strangers. Because your baby loves to point, read board books with pictures. Identify the objects your baby notices and name them. Help develop fine-motor skills by giving your child smaller objects to pick up while under your supervision.

1 Year

Congratulations, you officially have a toddler! Toddlers are more active, curious and expressive. At this age, your child may begin to use words, stand on their own and take a few steps. Encouraging your toddler to say “hello” and “goodbye” and praising your toddler helps social and emotional development. As you notice toddlers gaining skills



and doing some things on their own, you can begin to reduce your support but still stay close to observe and guide them.

Remember, every child reaches these developmental milestones at different times, but if a concern does arise, your doctor or another trained professional may use a developmental screening to help identify potential delays. If a screening confirms your

concern, it may lead to a referral to an early intervention services program. In Medina County, the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities Early Intervention Services finds resources for families to get children back on track to meeting milestones. For more information, contact the Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities at 330-725-7751, option 1.

How to create a greater work/life balance

Metro Creative

A more even balance between professional and personal life is a goal for many individuals. The demands of work too often extend beyond traditional working hours, leaving many professionals to confront work-related challenges long after they’ve left the office or left the desks in their home offices. With work never more than a smartphone notification away, it can be hard to create and maintain work-life balance.

Work-life balance is rarely discussed in terms of individuals’



overall health, but that could be a mistake. In fact, the organization Mental Health America® notes that when workers’ lives are balanced and workers are happy, they are more productive, take fewer sick days and are more likely to remain in their jobs. Each of those things benefits workers and employers equally.

With so much to gain from creating a greater balance between work and life, professionals can consider these tips to do just that.

- Make a concerted effort to be an effective communicator. MHA notes the benefits of being honest with colleagues and superiors when challenges feel overwhelming. Open and effective communication can be a great way to solve work-related problems, but MHA urges professionals to remain calm and suggest practical alternatives when confronting such issues. Simply accepting more work or responsibilities when you already feel overwhelmed can tip the scales even further away from an even work-life balance.
- Establish manageable daily goals. MHA reports that research has found that individuals feel less stressed about work when they feel as though they have more control over it. Setting daily goals is a great way to achieve that sense of control, and this can be as simple as creating a daily to-do list.
- Seek alternatives to your working arrangement. Previously unthinkable working arrangements are now possible after companies were forced to confront pandemic-related changes to their operations. If you’ve found it impossible to create an equitable balance between work and life, speak with your supervisor about alternatives to your arrangement. Flex time and hybrid working are some measures that could ensure you have as much time for your personal life as your professional life.

- Unplug at the end of the workday. One of the simpler, though not necessarily easier, ways to create and maintain a greater work-life balance is to unplug at the end of the workday. Turn off work-related smartphone notifications at the end of the work day so you aren’t tempted to work during those of times of day that you’ve earmarked for your personal life. Smartphones can be addictive, so unplugging could test your resilience. If possible, block work-related notifications automatically after a cer-

tain time each day so you don’t have to turn them off manually. Once the blocking is automated, you might not think twice about all those missed emails.

There’s no secret formula for establishing a healthy work-life balance. But various strategies can help professionals achieve greater balance between their professional and personal lives.

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Creative Mother’s Day celebration and gift ideas

Metro Creative

On Sunday, May 14, 2023, millions of people will celebrate the special women in their lives, particularly the mothers, grandmothers and stepmothers who often tirelessly care for those they love.

Created by Anna Jarvis in the early 20th century and designated an official United States holiday in 1914, Mother’s Day is a special day in many families. Apart from birthdays, primary female caregivers may not always get the recognition they deserve, nor be entitled to a day to kick back and relax and let others take the helm. Mother’s Day entitles them to something special.

Thankfully, there are plenty of creative ways to celebrate mothers and mother figures this year.

- Dine truly “al fresco.” Outdoor dining has become commonplace, and even before it was a safety measure, enjoying a meal on a sun-soaked patio or overlook-

ing a body of water was popular. If you’re worried about limited restaurant space or crowds, plan a picnic at a scenic location, such as a botanical garden or county park. Include Mom’s favorite foods and enjoy the fresh air and delicious foods together.

- Create a photo slideshow. Digital photos have eclipsed prints in many people’s hearts. But too often digital photos never get seen after they’re initially taken. That can change when you compile a slideshow of favorite photos from childhood and even present-day photos that Mom is sure to appreciate. Use sentimental music or Mom’s favorite songs as the soundtrack, and include some inspirational quotations or personal voiceovers. This is one gift that can be shared in person or over group meeting apps.
- Get involved together. An especially meaningful way to honor a mother who is always giving her time and love is to

become involved in a difference-making organization. Joint volunteerism is a great way to spend more time together working toward a worthy goal.

- Enjoy her hobbies and interests. Devote a day or more to trying Mom’s interests and hobbies, whether they include hitting the links, knitting, singing in the church choir, or digging in her garden.
- Send an edible gift. If you can’t be there to celebrate with Mom in person, have a special meal delivered to her door. Then enjoy the same foods with her via Google Meet, Facetime or Zoom. Don’t forget a tasty cocktail so you can toast the special woman in your life.

Mother’s Day celebrations can be unique, heartfelt and customized based on family needs.

HOME AND GARDEN: BITE ME!

Bean There, Done That

submitted by Kim S.

The search for different and unique flavors can make for a lot of exploring and sampling in the kitchen.

Kim S. stumbled across a slight flavor twist when making authentic vanilla flavoring.

- 1 large vanilla bean
- 1/4 cup spiced rum*
- glass bottle
- patience

Carefully slice the vanilla bean lengthwise two to three times. Place bean in glass jar, if bean is too long, either cut to fit or split between two jars. Fill the jars with your favorite brand of spiced rum. This is where the patience comes in: Let bean soak in rum for three months before using. You will be glad you have a second bottle ready to go before the first one is emptied!

This makes a great holiday gift for friends and family and now is the perfect time to start steeping those beans! Decorate the bottle with ribbon, some tiny silk flowers, to decorate the bottle. Vanilla beans can be re-used several times, when the vanilla flavor starts tasting weak, it is time to replace the old bean with a new, fresh one.

*The measurement is approximate as it depends on the size of glass bottle being used to determine how much rum is needed.

HEALTH: HEALTHY TRAILS

E-Bike Safety and Batteries

by Robert Soroky

As part of my continuing coverage of e-bikes, I wanted to discuss some important safety aspects that should be considered when purchasing an e-bike.

First, do not get swayed by "bargain priced" e-bikes.

E-bikes are complex machines and it is important to ensure a purchase is from a reputable company.

Even bike shops are very selective, not only about which brand names they will carry, but which e-bikes they will even maintain and repair.

Most quality e-bikes have electronics that require specific software to diagnose the equipment.

If a bike shop does not carry your particular e-bike brand, they will not have access to that software, and therefore will not be able to really work on the electronic portions of the bike. They should, however, still be able to work on the non-electronic parts of the bike (shifters, derailleurs, brakes, flat tires, etc).

The biggest area of concern, especially with off-brand e-bikes, are the quality of batteries and motors being used.

You may have heard about the rash of e-bike battery fires in New York City in 2022.

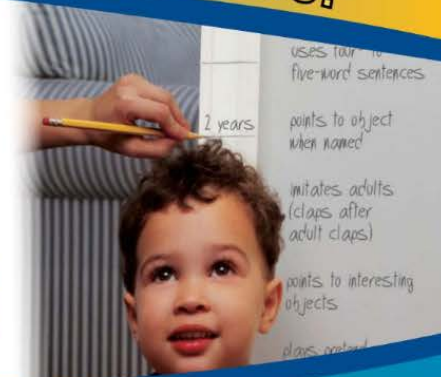
The city's fire commissioner, Laura Kavanaugh, indicated that there were "more than 200 fires in New York City last year caused by batteries from e-bikes, electric scooters and similar devices" and that "lithium-ion batteries are now

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HOME AND GARDEN: CRITTER CRAWL!

Caring for Eyeball-Licking Pet

by Paris Deeter

Crested geckos are fascinating lizards with a unique history. Once thought to be an extinct species in New Caledonia, it is now one of the most popular pet lizards in the world due to their friendly nature and easy handleability.

However, these animals typically do not receive the correct care they need to thrive because of poor information provided by chain pet stores.

These are the supplies needed for the proper care of a crested gecko:

- An enclosure, at least 18 x 18 x 24 inches (equal to a 30-gallon tank) in size

While these animals can survive in smaller habitats, they cannot thrive in them. This size of an enclosure allows them to thrive, however, bigger is always better.

- A powder diet that mixes with water

This is a gecko's main source of food. Try experimenting with different brands of food and stick with what the gecko likes best as they each have their own preferences.

- Insects

Contrary to popular belief, crested geckos need insects once a week. This is to ensure optimal health. The best feeder for them is Dubai cockroaches due to the low chitin.

- Heat Source and Thermostat

Another widely spread myth is that these geckos do not need a heat source.

Crested geckos do need a heat source.

The best type of heat source is either a deep heat projector or a halogen floodlight. Both of these produce IRA and IRB, which is essential for them to properly absorb nutrients and thrive.

Ceramic heat emitters, heat mats, and other similar forms of heat produce only IRC.

A digital hydrometer and thermometer to measure the humidity and temperature levels are humidity. Using a mister, you can then bump the humidity up to 70 to 80 percent. Temperatures at the warmest point should not go higher than 85 F as crested geckos are prone to overheating.

- Lighting

Use of a linear UVB is highly recommended for crested geckos as it can help prevent metabolic bone disease. Use a T8 5.0 UVB, as anything higher can cause UVB burns. Using coil UVB is unsafe due to the irregular levels of UVB that it puts out, which can also cause UVB burns.

- Fake or live plants and hides

Both are used to provide a sense of security and safety. Ideally, the enclosure should look cluttered and have a lot of hiding places and plants.

- Substrate

The best substrate for crested geckos is a mixture of topsoil, peat moss and coco fiber. This allows the enclosure to hold humidity well.

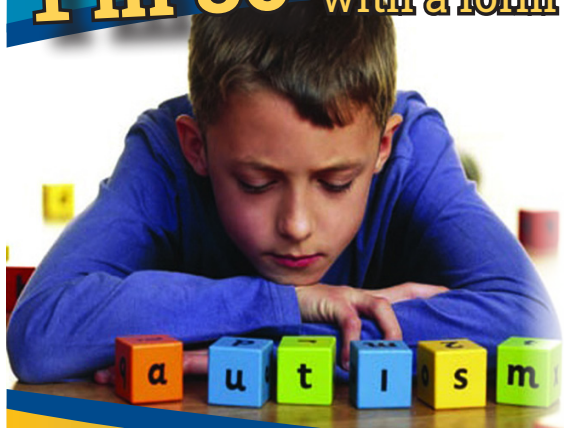
Do not use wood chips, calcium sand or any other similar substrates.

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Paris Deeter lives in Brunswick and has raised a wide variety of critters from spiders to rats. She welcomes questions and column suggestions, which can be sent to Joy@BlakeHousePublishing.com with "Critter Crawl" in the subject line.

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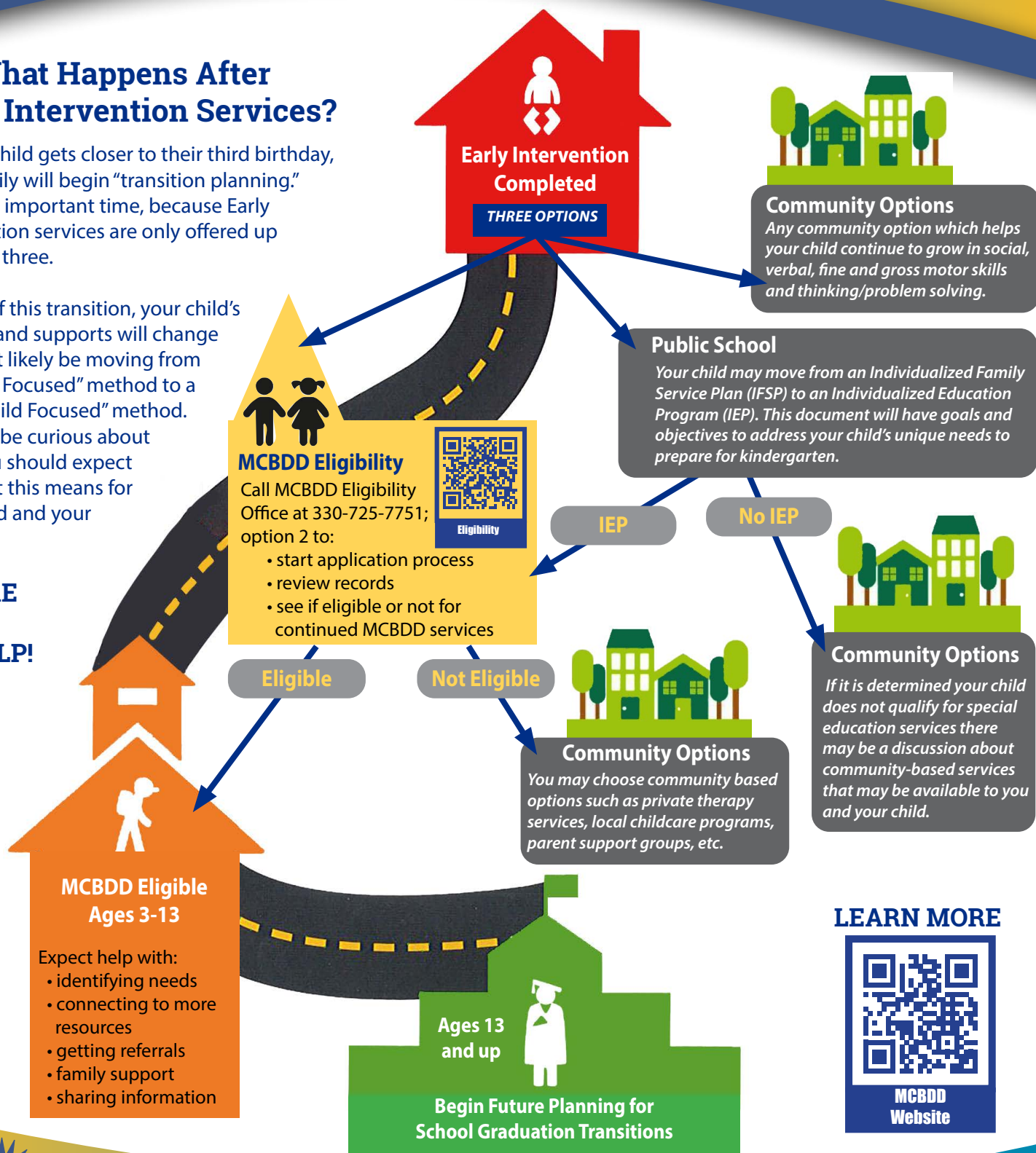
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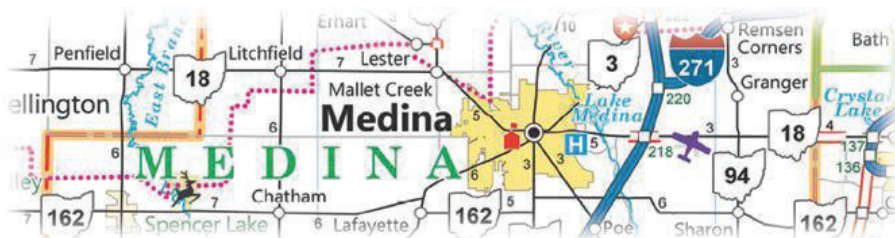
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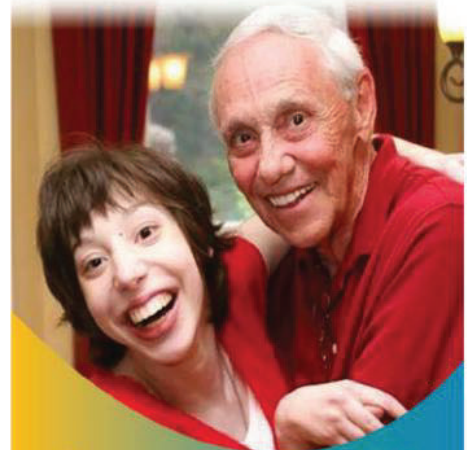
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