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Mayor, Supt. of Schools Urge Voters to Support Ballot Issues

North Ridgeville Mayor Kevin Corcoran and Supt. of Schools Roxann Ramsey-Caserio agree that the ballot issues being put before the city's voters March 17 are critical to the future of the community.



The Vision I have for our City is to BE the best community in Northeastern Ohio to live, work and play. Where residents and city employees DO everything possible to create an environment of safety, healthy growth and community. And that we HAVE a City that is inviting, safe, family-friendly and interesting to new and existing businesses.'

Mayor Corcoran and Supt. Ramsey-Caserio recently composed a joint letter of support for these issues.

To the Community of North Ridgeville:

On March 17, the **City of North Ridgeville** and **North Ridgeville City School District** both have important issues on the ballot that are critical to the future growth and success of our community. We urge members of our community to go out and vote on Election Day.

The city has three renewal issues on the March 17 ballot, **Issue 5 for police**, **Issue 6 for fire**, and **Issue 7 for roads and bridges**. The three city renewal issues generate a combined \$4.4 million for a term of five years. These issues are renewal levies and are **not an additional tax increase**. The successful passage of Issue 5, 6 and 7 will allow the city to maintain services in these areas.

The **North Ridgeville City School District** has **Issue 13** on the ballot, which will combine four existing levies into one substitute issue and **will not increase taxes for current residents**. The four levies account for nearly 40% of the District's local operating revenue. Issue 13 will also allow the District to benefit from the growth of new construction, capturing additional revenue as new construction continues in the city.

As the newly elected mayor and the superintendent, we are proud to join forces to urge our constituents to support all of these ballot initiatives and to keep our community strong. We are both proud of the investment our local citizens have made in their city and their schools over the years and we are confident that the March 17 results will reaffirm that commitment.

On behalf of the North Ridgeville City Council and the North Ridgeville City Schools Board of Education, we thank you for your continuing support and commitment to securing the future success of our community.

-Kevin Corcoran - Mayor of North Ridgeville

-Roxann Ramsey-Caserio - North Ridgeville City Schools Superintendent



Supt. of Schools Roxann Ramsey-Caserio speaks on the importance of Issue 13 to the schools at the North Ridgeville Schools Senior Lunch.

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LCCC Issue 17... LCCC is Real Education for Good Jobs

The operating issue on the March 17 ballot (Issue 17) will ensure the continued effectiveness of Lorain County Community College. With the highest student success rate among Ohio community colleges, **LCCC serves more than 10,000 students each year, along with 3,000 plus students** taking University Partnership courses to earn bachelor's and master's degrees.

LCCC is critical to the economy, delivering programs that people need to prepare for the jobs of today in **healthcare, information technology, engineering, advanced manufacturing, skilled trades and business**. Additionally, LCCC partners with area employers to keep our workforce up to date. **Over 85% of LCCC graduates live and work in the region.**

"Issue 17 for LCCC is essential to keep higher education access affordable and degree programs relevant to the changing economy. This levy established LCCC as Ohio's first community college in 1963. It was last updated in 2010 and expires in 2020. We respectfully ask the community to continue its support for another 10 years by passing Issue 17 to keep LCCC strong so that we can continue the impact LCCC makes on our community. Since inception, 50% of families have attended LCCC, 85% of graduates live and work in our community building our economy and 61% of Lorain County high school graduates start their college experience at LCCC. Furthermore, LCCC is the top producer of our community's first responders and healthcare professionals that keep our community safe and healthy. We are proud of this impact and the return on investment delivered to taxpayers. For every \$1 of taxpayer support for LCCC, \$14 is returned in economic benefit. Issue 17 is good for everyone in our community." - **Marcia Ballinger, Ph.D., President, Lorain County Community College**



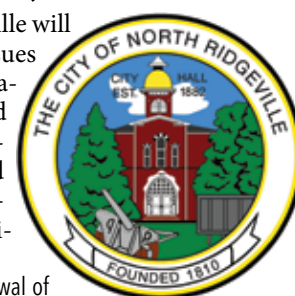
Tracy Green, Kionna McIntosh-Pharms, Joceyln Wieser and Dr. Marcia Ballinger

The Facts: LCCC's March 17 Issue

- The community has supported LCCC since 1963, when the first general operating levy was passed that created the College as the first community college in Ohio.
- LCCC's general operating levy, last updated in 2010, expires December 2020.
- The LCCC District Board of Trustees unanimously voted to place the issue on the March 17, 2020 ballot.
- Voters will be asked to renew the existing 1.8 mills operating levy and add 0.5 mills for a ten-year term (not permanent).
- This equates to an additional investment of \$1.46 per month per \$100,000 in property value.
- For every \$1 spent by taxpayers on education at LCCC, the College provides \$14 in economic benefit to the community.

Three Levy Renewal Issues March 17, 2020

The City of North Ridgeville will have three levy RENEWAL issues of existing taxes on the primary election ballot to be held March 17, 2020. Briefly highlighted below you will find more information on each issue to make an informed decision at the polls.



Issue #5: Police Levy - renewal of an existing 1.95-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining motor vehicles, communications, and other equipment used directly in the operation of the Police Department, including payment of salaries of permanent police personnel, for a period of five years. This levy generates \$1,509,317 in revenue annually.

Issue #6: Fire Levy - renewal of an existing 1.9-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing and maintaining fire apparatus, appliances and buildings and sites and for the payment of salaries for firefighters, for a period of five years. This levy generates \$1,470,616 in revenue annually.

Issue #7: Roads and Bridges Levy - renewal of an existing 1.9-mill tax levy for the purpose of general construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and repair of streets, roads and bridges, for a period of five years. This levy generates \$1,470,616 in revenue annually.

These three levies combined generate \$4,450,549 in property tax revenues to the city. It is imperative that the city renew all three levies to continue the services that the residents have come to expect and deserve. Again, all three of these issues are **renewal levies and NOT an additional tax increase**.

If you have any questions regarding these issues, please feel free to contact Mayor Kevin Corcoran at (440) 353-0811.

Thank you in advance for your continuing support of these issues.

North Ridgeville Schools: *Continuing to Keep Our District Strong*

The North Ridgeville Schools have the opportunity to protect quality education – without increasing taxes. Our community can make this happen by voting FOR Issue 13 on the March 17 ballot. Issue 13 is a substitute tax levy. It will combine four of our existing levies into a single levy that will not increase taxes. Issue 13 accounts for nearly 40% of our District’s local operating budget. It is critical to protect the quality education that has contributed to our city’s growth.

Our enrollment has grown by more than 700 students in the past decade, but our schools are still operating at 2012 funding levels. Issue 13 allows our schools to benefit from our residential growth. Issue 13 will update our millage and spread the cost of funding our schools among residents. It will not increase taxes.

Vote for strong schools. Vote for Issue 13.

Issue 13 Frequently Asked Questions

Q. What is Issue 13?

A. Issue 13 is a substitute issue which will combine four existing levies into one. Issue 13 is a ten-year levy and will not increase YOUR taxes. It accounts for nearly 40% percent of our local operating revenue and will help North Ridgeville City Schools maintain high-quality academics, educators, and programs to prepare our students for the future.

Q. How much will Issue 13 cost taxpayers?

A. Issue 13 will not increase YOUR taxes.

Q. When is Issue 13 on the ballot?

A. Issue 13 will be on the March 17, 2020 ballot. On Election Day, the polls are open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Early voting in-person and by mail begins on Wednesday, February 19, 2020.

Q. Why is the District seeking a substitute Issue?

A. The District wants to be fiscally efficient as possible. Consolidating four existing emergency levies into one substitute levy will not increase YOUR taxes, but it will allow North Ridgeville City Schools to benefit from the growth of new construction in the community. Issue 13 will give the District the funds needed to maintain high-quality academic programming and serve the increasing student population.

Q. Why does there need to be a substitute levy on the ballot? If North Ridgeville is building new developments, is the District not gaining more revenue for operating purposes?

A. The four existing emergency levies collect fixed dollars regardless of how many new homes are built in the city. The City of North Ridgeville is expanding rapidly with the building of new housing developments. House Bill 920 prevents the District from receiving additional funds despite the residential and commercial growth of North Ridgeville.

Q. Who made the decision to go on the ballot?

A. The Board of Education voted to place Issue 13 on the March 17, 2020 ballot. Issue 13 combines four existing operating levies into one levy and does not raise taxes. This substitute levy is needed because of the drastic enrollment growth in our District and because our revenues are not keeping up with either that growth or educational needs.

North Ridgeville City Schools Have Critical Levy on March 17 Ballot

By: Dave Grendzynski

The North Ridgeville City Schools needs help, but it won’t cost taxpayers extra money.

District leaders are seeking support for Issue 13 when voters go to the polls on March 17. The money generated from Issue 13 will be used to cover 40 percent of the schools’ operating costs- without increasing taxes. Issue 13 is a substitute levy that will combine four existing levies into one and is fixed for a 10-year term.

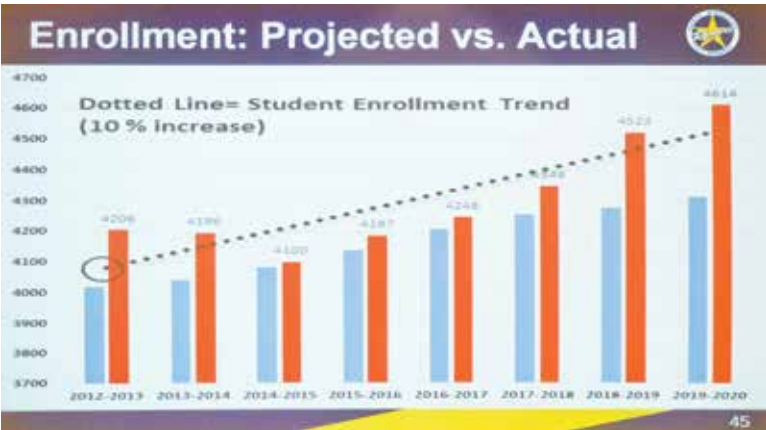
It’s critical because the money generated from the levy helps to pay teacher salaries, fund programs, and services. And by combining the existing levies, it will account for the full tax base, including all of the new homeowners in North Ridgeville.

A “Yes” vote is also extremely important because the district is operating at 2013 funding levels. That’s because state law prohibits schools from receiving more funds when a community builds new homes. So, not only are North Ridgeville City School students attending class in overcrowded buildings, there’s not enough revenue to keep up.

North Ridgeville remains the fastest-growing city in Lorain County and the third-fastest growing city in the state. The district’s student population has grown by 700 in the past decade and almost half of the growth has occurred in the last two years. The influx of new families is pushing North Ridgeville High School and Liberty Elementary School overcapacity.

That growth is expected to last for at least the next several years based on the number of buildable lots in North Ridgeville.

District leaders say they remain committed to being responsible with taxpayer funds and will work with the community to provide the facilities, services, and programs that are most conducive to education—now and in the future.



North Ridgeville Heart & Sole Walk Indoors for Free

North Ridgeville Heart & Sole invites you to stay active this winter by walking indoors. Liberty Elementary School, 5700 Jaycox Road, will be open for indoor walking 6:00-7:30 PM on the following dates: January 9, 16, 23 and 30; February 6, 13 and 20; March 5, 12, 19 and 26. All ages are welcome to participate. Come to any walk that fits your schedule; no commitment or registration is required.

On the following dates, there will be guest speakers as outlined below:

March 12 - North Ridgeville Mayor Kevin Corcoran 6:00-6:30 PM

March 26 - Jennifer Winkler “Library Resources and Services” 6:00-6:30 PM

The North Ridgeville Branch Library will provide family story times on the first and third Thursdays of the the winter in-door walking sessions at Liberty Elementary. All ages are welcome, children under the age of three should be accompanied by an older sibling. **March 5** from 6:30-7:00 PM and **March 19** from 6:30-7:00 PM

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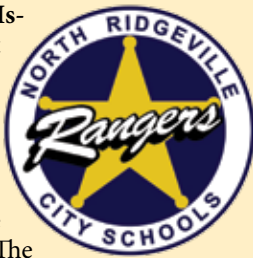
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NR Schools Issue 13 Saves Taxpayers HB 920 Money

North Ridgeville School's **Issue 13** is a **substitute levy** that combines 4 existing operating levies into one and means no new taxes.

By combining the 4 existing levies into **one substitute levy**, taxpayers will continue to receive state HB 920 rollback protection. The HB 920 reduction factor is designed to keep tax revenues stable when property values increase or decrease.



New levies that started in 2013 and after, however, no longer enjoy HB 920 rollback protection. As part of the state budget passed in 2013, the ten and two and one-half percent rollbacks (HB 920) will no longer apply to **new** levies that are enacted after the August 2013 election.

Issue 13 (a substitute levy) maintains that protection because levies that continue to qualify for application of the rollbacks are levies approved before 2013, renewals of the qualified levies, and the **substitute of qualified school district emergency levies** under Revised Code section 5705.199.

North Ridgeville Chamber Endorses Ballot Issues

The North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce has voted unanimously to endorse the following levies for March 2020:

- North Ridgeville Schools March 2020 Substitute Tax Levy (Issue 13),
- The LCCC 10 year expiring Tax Levy (Issue 17)
- And the city of North Ridgeville's Renewal Issues 5, 6, 7 for the police, fire, roads and bridges.



State of the Schools Luncheon

Please join The North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce, Friday, February 28, 11:30 am at the North Ridgeville Academic Center located at 34620 Bainbridge Road, North Ridgeville, to hear Roxann Ramsey-Caserio, Superintendent of the North Ridgeville City Schools.

This is a thrilling time to be part of the North Ridgeville City Schools. We are on our way to creating the schools this growing and vibrant city needs and deserves. Family involvement and the support of the entire community plays a

large role in helping the district achieve its goals.

On behalf of the Board of Education, our students, teachers, staff, and administrative team, thank you for your continued interest and support of the North Ridgeville City Schools. We are Ranger STRONG!

The event does require a reservation, please contact Marjorie Snyder at (440) 327-3737 or go online to register at www.nrchamber.com \$20.00 Member \$25.00 Non-Member

Girl Scout Silver Award Project

The highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn is the Silver Award. Scouts focus on a project which has meaning to them which will benefit their community. Rose Saxon-Housum of North Ridgeville Girl Scout Troup 50603 is an 8th grader at the N. Ridgeville Academic Center who has an A average in her classes while taking honors classes at the high school and manages to sing in the Select Choir, play clarinet in the 8th grade band, play basketball on her 8th grade team, and is now working on her Girl Scout Silver Award. Her project is an ambitious effort to improve the backstage area at the Olde Towne Hall Theater here in North Ridgeville. Rose chose this project because she and her twin brother are very active in the youth theater and she last performed there as Tweedledee in "Alice in Wonderland". Currently she is in charge of Props for the show "Sister Act" at OTHT which runs every Friday and Saturday through March 7 with a Sunday matinee on March 1.



Rose wants to help make the backstage area more useful and comfortable for performers. The theater's limited funds help make each production as wonderful as possible for the audience, but over the years this part of the theater has fallen into disrepair.

Scouts plan, fundraise, and execute the complete project through their own efforts and the help of others. They are not permitted to use their own money for the project and Rose is making hand-crafted glass magnets which she designs and sells at local craft shows.

If you would like to volunteer to help with construction or to make a donation of lumber, other building materials, or, of course cash, Rose asks that you please contact her through her mom Marci at marci@saxonhousum.com or 216.374.4266

Discover the Ridge

Celebrate May Day on May 2 in North Ridgeville, Ohio. **DISCOVER THE RIDGE EVENT** kicks off at Don Mould's Garden Center, 34837 Lorain Rd, North Ridgeville, at 10:00 AM with a May Day Celebration with May Pole, NR Marching Band, VFW Opening Ceremony, plant craft project for first 50 participants, Food Trucks, and entertainment. Don't miss the fun!

Parks & Recreation 2020 Job Fair

North Ridgeville Parks & Recreation 2020 Job Fair will be held on Saturday, February 29, 10 AM-1 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers, 7307 Avon Belden Rd. Parks & Recreation is hiring for summer part-time positions. Positions are available in park maintenance, streets department, summer camp, umpires, and concession staff. Attendees will have the opportunity to connect with our staff and ask questions regarding the position you may be interested in. Must be 15 years old to apply. Some positions require you to be 18. Be available to work nights, weekends & holidays. If you can't attend our Free Job Fair applicants can still apply for these jobs and other city jobs online at www.nridgeville.org/parksandrec.



LUNCH & LEARN

Misleading Information: How to Protect Yourself

Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020 | 11:00 a.m.

Presented by Jennifer Winkler, MLIS,
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Soup for the Spirit: "Team Work Makes the Dream Work!"

North Ridgeville Community Care Board members Georgia Awig, Andrea Ferguson, and Nikki Roth along with Heather Kaesgen, Executive Director and Mary Beth Bogner (husband, David is on the board) got together to put the finishing touches on the organization's biggest fundraiser of the year, "Soup for the Spirit."

The annual event, sold out this year at 240 tickets, will be held at Elegant Assets, 1514 Lake Ave. Elyria, unique schoolhouse venue, in Elyria on Sat., Feb. 22.

Danielle Wiggins, Morning Traffic Reporter and Anchor of the 4 a.m. half hour of the Go! morning show at WKYC studios in Cleveland will be the Emcee. Also new this year will

be DJ Shane J. Siniscalchi, owner of EnterShanement LLC, who will provide music for dinner and dancing. Strolling close-up magic will again be generously donated by David Garza of Lake Erie Illusions and David Sands, photographer of people, pets, and places will be capturing the whole evening in pictures. There are over 50 baskets you will have an opportunity to win by participating in raffles. Silent auction items include a dining room table donated by My Wood Loft and a diamond necklace donated by Basch's Moment in Time. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and will consist of garden salad, baked chicken, roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, and rolls.

Andrea, Georgia,

Heather & Nikki had a chance to taste the food catered by I DO Cuisine and it is absolutely delicious. The Culinary Arts Institute at Lorain County Community College will provide a complimentary tray of desserts for each of the 20 tables. Beer and wine will be available throughout the evening.

Georgia Awig says she is happy to see so many of the organizations & businesses in North Ridgeville along with the city and schools working together for a common cause of raising funds to help provide care for the less fortunate in the city. Programs at Community Care includes Christmas Adopt-A-Child & Christmas Store, Christmas, Easter, & Thanksgiving Food, Clothing & Household Items, Crisis Counseling, Dairy Products, Easter Baskets for Children & Seniors, Emergency Prescription Financial Assistance, Essentials Program - Choice

for Daily Living, Food Pantry, Layettes for Newborns, Produce from the Community Care Garden, Salad Wednesdays, School Supplies for School-age children, Summer Lunches for Children, & Utility & Housing Assistance.

There will be plenty of additional surprises this year throughout the evening. "We are grateful to Maximum Graphix who printed the tickets and programs at no cost to us. If you have printing work to be done, Community Care hopes that you will support this business if you are not already doing so. They do a great job and are so easy to work with. Family owned and run businesses are the best!" says the team.

Tickets are \$50 each. Call 440-724-7246 for tickets and information.

If you had to miss this annual event this year, put Sat., Feb. 27, 2021 on your calendar for the next "Soup for the Spirit" to be held at Spitzer Conference Center at Lorain County Community College.

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Kindness Week: Students Work to Support Project Linus



North Ridgeville students and staff from 10 advisory groups at NRAC 5-8 (each made up of 16-18 students) recently created no-sew fleece throws for **Project Linus**, a nationwide non-profit with a local chapter in Cleveland.

Material was purchased through a grant given by the **NRAC Boosters**. The grant provided enough money to purchase material to make 12 blankets. Students cut and tied the fabric to create each blanket.

Students and staff who were involved in the blanket project presented a representative from **Project Linus** with the blankets on Friday of "Kindness Week". It was the perfect way to wrap up the weeklong celebration of being the good in the world and completing random acts of kindness whenever possible.

Kindness Week was a collaborative effort between Amy Franklin and Nikki Roth, school counselors at NRAC 3-8. The weeklong celebration was designed to connect the 2 schools that exist under one roof. Students (and staff too!) were challenged to complete as many random acts of kindness as they could throughout the week, along with other activities designed to focus on being kind.

SENIOR CENTER EVENTS

Ladies Brunch Schedule

Ladies meet at 10:30 AM for friendly conversation and program on the 4th Thursday of every month. The brunch is \$3 and includes a hot entree, fruit, juice and coffee. Reservations please by 10 AM Wednesday morning preceding the brunch date by calling (440) 353-0828. February 27 - TBA

AARP Tax Preparation Appointments

AARP Tax-Aide, IRS-trained and certified volunteers prepare federal and state taxes at the Senior Center February 4-April 14 from 9 AM-3 PM. This free service is provided for middle to low income taxpayers, with special attention to those ages 60 and older. NO LONGER TAKING APPOINTMENTS - SCHEDULE IS FULL.

Hearing Testing

Mobile Hearing Service will be conducting a FREE hearing test for seniors at the Senior Center on March 3, 2020 from 1-4 PM. Other services such as equipment cleaning will be at a minimal fee. Please call 440-353-0828 to schedule your appointment.

Take a Trip Down Memory Lane

We are looking to join in with the area Senior Centers doing trivia and are in search of interested individuals that would like to play along. The other Senior Centers are Westlake, North Olmsted, Bay Village and Rocky River; each facility hosts a day of trivia and is played 1:30 -3:30 PM (2 hours). Teams consist of a maximum of 6 players, but not necessary; if you don't have 5 other people to form a team you will be matched with others in the same situation. If interested, please call the Senior Center at 353-0828 for further information or to register.

Chair Yoga

This class allows you to perform postures and breathing exercises with the aid of a chair. You can experience the many benefits of yoga without having to get up or down from the floor. Benefits of this class include increased balance, strength, flexibility, range of motion, and stress reduction.

Instructor: Heather Gillespie Fee: \$45 Resident / \$55 Non-Resident, Location: Senior Center 7327 Avon Belden Rd, Session II Friday February 28 through April 3 from 8:00-9:00AM. Please register for this class through Parks & Rec.

Health Insurance Counseling

Health Insurance Counseling is available by appointment only at the Senior Center. To arrange for a counseling appointment, call (440) 353-0856 or (440) 353-0857.

Music Bingo

Save these date on your calendar: March 25, June 24, September 23 and December 16, 2020

Looking for a fun afternoon? Come and play Music Bingo with Ken or Jack of Music Bingo Ohio. This is a fun way to play bingo. They provide bingo sheets with song titles and you have to match the song when it is played to form a bingo for prizes! Very similar to "Name That Tune", but you already have the title

Did You Know? 12 Quick LCCC Stats

1. Serves 1 in 4 county residents, impacting more than 50% of Lorain County Households.
2. More than 15,000 students enroll each year, plus an additional 3,000 through the University Partnership who are earning bachelor's and master's degrees.
3. Highest student success of any community college in Ohio and is recognized nationally.
4. 94% increase in the number of people earning degrees and certificates since 2011.
5. 43% of Lorain County high school students graduate with LCCC credits through College Credit Plus – saving families \$6.5 million.
6. 61% of Lorain County high school graduates start their college experience with LCCC.
7. Lowest tuition for Lorain County residents.
8. More than 85% of LCCC grads live and work in the region; LCCC is among the top 2 community colleges in Ohio for return on investment for graduates in terms of earnings post-graduation.
9. LCCC offers the University Partnership with 14 partners delivering over 100 bachelor's and master's degrees and was the first community college in Ohio to offer an applied bachelor's degree.
10. #1 in the county for first responder and healthcare education.
11. Delivers programs for seniors, veterans, youth and local businesses that keep Lorain County strong.
12. LCCC partners with hundreds of area employers to deliver programs for the jobs of today – keeping our workforce strong; creating and retaining thousands of good jobs.



LCCC Wins National Honor for Improving Student Success

On Feb. 18 Achieving the Dream (ATD) awarded Lorain County Community College (LCCC) the Leah Meyer Austin Award. ATD's national prize is reserved for network colleges that show greatest, sustained improvements in student outcomes and student success.

“The Leah Meyer Austin award represents a decade long strategic priority this college has made to not only ensure access for all students, but to advance their academic and career success. It is a proud moment to receive this highest distinction and to accept it on behalf of the students of Lorain County Community College and the community that supports us in delivering excellence in quality higher education,” said LCCC President Marcia Ballinger, Ph.D.

ATD gives this award annually to one or more colleges that employs a holistic approach to reducing equity gaps between student groups and increases student success for all. The award recognizes institutional strength, aligned policies and procedures, a student-focused culture and notable increases in student outcomes. LCCC has seen a 93 percent increase in the number of degrees and certificates awarded since 2011. In fact, one third of all graduates from LCCC, since the college opened in 1963, have occurred in the last ten years. Since 2011, LCCC has experienced a 149 percent increase in the number of degrees and certificates earned by Hispanic and Latinx students and a 123 percent increase in degrees and certificates earned by Black and African-American students, evidence of LCCC's commitment to close achievement gaps.

Visit www.NorthRidgevilleReview.com for full story.

NRCOC 44th Annual Golf Outing

Ready, Set, SWING! The Chamber is teeing up for the 44th annual golf outing, which will be held at Red Tail Golf Club in Avon, on Tuesday, May 19, 2020. Another fun-filled day of golf, contests, prizes and networking is being planned, so don't miss out! Early bird registration is now open on the Chamber website. The cost is \$135 per golfer until April 1st, and then the price becomes \$150. We are only able to accommodate the first 100 golfers, and spaces are filling quickly, so don't delay. If you're not a golfer, but would like to participate in the dinner and networking portion of the event, you can register for that on the Chamber website also.

Our annual golf outing is the Chamber's largest fundraiser of the year and we need your support! A number of sponsorships and volunteer opportunities are available, so please contact Marjorie at the Chamber office at 327-3737 or nrcoc@nrchamber.com for details.

We hope to see you on the links!

- Committee Report by Jason Jacobs

SAVE THE DATE

JOIN US FOR THE 44TH ANNUAL

North Ridgeville
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GOLF OUTING

MAY 19, 2020

SHOTGUN START 10:00 AM

Red Tail
GOLF CLUB

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AVON, OH 44011

Issue 17: Why This Ballot Issue is Critical

Our economy is transforming – in the next five years, more than 65% of jobs will require education beyond high school.

More than ever, we need to keep LCCC strong.

The funds will be used to:

- Keep education affordable and high quality.
- Keep university transfer programs strong.
- Protect College Credit Plus.
- Develop new programs and services necessary for high demand careers.

- Keep technology and labs up to date.

Without this ballot issue:

- LCCC will be forced to cut the budget by 12%.
- Existing programs will be reduced.
- Limited development of new training programs critical to the jobs of the future.

For more information, please contact us at 440-366-4073.



ISSUE 17 keeps and builds programs Lorain County needs for a strong economy.

First in the nation for student success. LCCC is the leading educator of Lorain County health care professionals, first responders and teachers.

85% of LCCC grads stay in our area.

LCCC has served 50% of Lorain County families since opening as Ohio's first community college.

Over 15,000 students enroll every year. LCCC is the only way many local residents can afford to go to college.

Issue 17 renews 1.8 mills, adds 0.5 mills and is not permanent. It's a \$1.50 a month more per \$100,000 home value.

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North Ridgeville Schools Ranger Round-Up

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NRHS National Signing Day

On National Signing Day that took place February 5, seniors Patrick Casselberry and John Leili signed their letters of intent to play football collegiately. Patrick will be playing for Notre Dame College and John will be playing for the University of Toledo.



Kindness Week Celebrated at Academic Center

At the North Ridgeville Academic Center, students and staff celebrated Kindness Week by putting the "I" in kindness!



NRAC Elementary guidance counselor Ms. Franklin and art teacher Ms. Valichnac pose in front of the 'Be The "I" in Kind' banner.

Mayor Corcoran Visits RHTA

Mayor Kevin Corcoran visited Ranger High-Tech Academy fourth-graders to talk about his job and to help answer their questions about how to have an impact on the government.



Students participated in a paper link activity by writing one kind thing they did or that they saw someone do this week on a paper link. The paper chain link connected from the 3-4 office, through the cafeteria, through parts of the 5-8 wing!



Third-grade students in Ms. Quinn's class started a Kindness Cart in the building. On February 12, students delivered treats to all staff.

Broadcast Journalism Class Visits WKYC Studio

Mr. Roshong's high school broadcast journalism class had the opportunity to witness first-hand the necessary steps to produce a successful newscast when they visited the WKYC Channel 3 studio February 13. Students had the chance to speak with on-air personalities Hollie Strano, Michael Estime, and Alexa Lee. Photo Credit: Mr. Roshong



NRHS Dance Team Qualifies for State



Congratulations to the North Ridgeville High School dance team! After a great performance at the regional competition, the team qualified for the state dance competition, which will take place Saturday, February 29 in Columbus. Good luck, team! Photo Credit: NRHS Principal Szendrey

NRHS Music Department Gives Back to Community Care

The North Ridgeville High School Music Department held a Solo and Ensemble Concert February 7 to benefit North Ridgeville Community Care. Monetary or food donations was the price of admission for the event. Three carloads of food and \$156 were donated to Community Care! Great job choir and band students! Photo Credit: North Ridgeville Band



Therese Henley, band student Connor Hensley, and high school band teacher Ms. Bryson drop off donations at Community Care.

NRCS Students Earn Awards at Scholastic Art Exhibition



Raven Steve

Students from the North Ridgeville Academic Center and North Ridgeville High School were well represented at the Lorain County Region Scholastic Art Exhibition located at the Lorain County Community College Stocker Arts Center. The students listed earned the following accolades.

Gold Keys: Faith Schneider, 8th grade (3 awards); Isabella March, Jr.; Christina Scialabba 12; Raven Steve, Jr. (3 awards); Jessica Walker, Jr. **Silver Keys:** Lillian Gomez, So.; Jocelyn Kaess, So.; Julia Kelly, Sr.; Isabella March, Jr. (2 awards); Hannah May, Sr. (2 awards); Ally McKee, So.; Veronica Moore, So.; Elise Ringwall, Sr.; Marcel Rosa, Sr.; Sarah Schonhiutt, So.; James Smith, Fr.; Raven Steve, Jr. (2 awards); Michael Zarefoss, Fr. **Honorable Mention:** Jocelyn Kaess, So.; Julia Kelly, Sr.; Isabella March, Jr.; Elise Ringwall, Sr.; Christina Scialabba, Sr. (2 awards); Michael Zarefoss, Fr.



Isabella March



Jocelyn Kaess

Top Photo: Students from the high school band that participated in the Solo and Ensemble Concert.

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Upon moving into Danbury, you will be given a housewarming basket, and a \$100 gift card to our in-house salon! Your new Arbor club member status will allow you \$1,500

off your rent for the first 3 months!

In totality, this package is an amazing value of \$5,500! All members will receive special recognition at the North Ridgeville Grand Opening Event. To solidify your membership, move-in must occur within the first 45 days of the opening of Danbury North Ridgeville.

You can schedule an appointment and view our floor plan options that will fit your lifestyle and budget! Please call Rachel Wheeler at 440-546-3797 or email Courtney Stanislav at cstanislav@danburyseniorliving.com and be sure to visit us online at www.danburyseniorliving.com to learn more about the Danbury Difference!



Garden Club of North Ridgeville Meeting

The Garden Club of North Ridgeville will meet March 10, 2020 at 6:00 pm at the North Ridgeville Public Library on Bainbridge Road in North Ridgeville. Our speaker for the evening will be Beth Berthold, teacher at Lorain County JVS for the Landscape and Greenhouse Management program. Her program will be talking about her job at JVS that deals with anything green. We welcome guests and anyone interested in joining the club. For info please call 440-365-8522 or check out the web site www.northridgevillegardenclub.com.

SENIOR CENTER EVENTS

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on the bingo sheet! Plan on coming for a delicious lunch served at noon for \$4.00 and stay for bingo! Reservations required for lunch by calling 440-353-0828.

Golden Buckeye Card Information

Participation in the Golden Buckeye program is free to all Ohio residents who are: • Age 60 or over (proof of age required). • Age 18-59 with a Social Security Administration defined disability.

If you are turning 60 and have an Ohio driver's license, you will automatically be mailed a card just before your birthday. If you have not received the card four weeks after your birthday, call 1-866-301-6446. Report lost or stolen cards at 1-866-301-6446.

Stop by the Senior Center to fill out an application or for more information visit the website at goldenbuckeye.com.

Blood Pressure Checks

Walk in and have your blood pressure checked by one of our friendly retired volunteer nurses on the 3rd Wednesday of each month between 10 AM-noon at the Senior Center. The is no charge for this service and is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Freestyle Art Group

Are you interested in art or just enjoy painting freestyle? Our watercolor enthusiasts gather for painting and fun on Wednesday mornings and would love to have you join their group. If interested, just bring your paints and stop by the Senior Center any Wednesday morning from 9:30 AM-12:00 PM.

Canasta Anyone?

If you are interested in joining the fun group that meets on Wednesdays for an afternoon of fellowship and fun from 12:30-4 PM, please call (440) 353-0835.

Euchre and Pinochle Weekly Card Games

Cards are played on Thursdays at noon except on Super Thursdays when all card games begin at 1:30 PM. Join in the fun each week from noon until 4 PM. Refreshments will be served.

Monday Crafts

Everyone is welcome to come on Mondays from 10 AM-2 PM to join in the fun, fellowship and the making of special crafts. Bring your ideas or share in ours. A soup lunch including beverage is available for \$.35 at noon.

Mahjongg

"Mahjongg" is an Ancient Chinese Tile Game. This group meets every Thursday at 12 noon (except on Super Thursdays) and always welcomes new members. If you've never played, we offer instruction as to how to play the game. A player's card is required for a small fee.

Puzzle Exchange

Puzzled by what to do with those completed puzzles? The Senior Center hosts its monthly puzzle exchange the last Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. until noon. Bring your stack of completed puzzles and exchange with others (limit of 3 puzzles per person). No fees, just come down and pick up some puzzles!



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Replacement of Mills Road Bridge Over French Creek, Spring 2021

The City of North Ridgeville obtained a grant through the Ohio Department of Transportation's Municipal Bridge Program to provide federal funding for a major portion of the costs to replace the Mills Road bridge over French Creek. The bridge is located on Mills Road midway between Westminister Avenue and Greenwich Avenue. The replacement is necessary due to the serious condition of the bridge deck concrete slab, design loading deficiencies of the foundation, and inadequate waterway opening.

The bridge width will be widened from 27 feet to 40 feet and sidewalks will be added.

The project is still in the preliminary design stage, and construction is now estimated to begin in Spring of 2021.

One lane of traffic will be maintained during construction with the use of portable temporary signals. Alternative detour routes will be 1) S.R. 83, Riegelsberger Road and Jay-

cox Road or 2) S.R. 83, Center Ridge Road and Jaycox Road. Part-width bridge construction will be used to complete the bridge in two phases. Temporary right of way will be acquired in order to provide space to construct temporary pavement to maintain traffic during construction.

The current total cost of the design, construction and right of way acquisition is estimated to be \$931,620. Maximum federal grant funds of \$775,188.75 are allotted for this project. There is a 95/5 split between federal grant and local share.

If you have any questions, please contact the Engineering Department at (440) 353-0842.



Center Ridge Road Widening Committee

As North Ridgeville moves forward with the extended Center Ridge widening project, it is our duty as the Chamber of Commerce to ensure that the businesses throughout the city are maintaining customer flow throughout the duration of the project. I would like to invite anyone who would like to support our fellow businesses to be an active member of the Center Ridge Road Widening Committee. We have over 100 businesses that we will need to maintain contact with so the more help the merrier!

Member duties include:

- At your convenience, contact businesses within your designated zone on a monthly basis via phone, email or visits to the establishment.

- Actively promote the positive presence of the Chamber of Commerce and build relationships by being a Chamber liaison.

- Encourage business owners and representatives to attend events.

- Attend monthly CRRWC meetings to discuss ideas and communicate feedback that has been received.

Please contact me if you would like to be a part of this team of dedicated members. I look forward to working together on maintaining and growing our business industry!

- Robyn Ringwall, South of the Square Collision Center

Sixth Annual North Ridgeville City Schools Dodgeball Tournament

Join North Ridgeville Schools for the 6th Annual Dodgeball Tournament on March 13, 6 p.m. at the North Ridgeville Academic Center. Come support your teachers and help your school win the "GREATEST FANS" trophy, awarded to the school that sells the highest percentage of tickets per student.

Tickets: \$4 Presale; \$7 Tickets at the door. Children 2 and under are free. Pizza and other refreshments will be available for purchase.

Note: The NRAC gym has a maximum capacity. Tickets sales will

be cut off when capacity is reached. Presale tickets are highly recommended.

Please make checks payable to "North Ridgeville Ranger Council." All proceeds benefit North Ridgeville Ranger Council and great PreK-12 events like Summer Kick-Off Party, Family Nights, Student Recognition and Activities, Parent Information Sessions, Assemblies, Scholarships and more. North Ridgeville Schools Office (440) 327-4444





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