

NORTH RIDGEVILLE

THE COMMUNITY THAT CARES...

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Soup for the Spirit Celebrates Community

North Ridgeville Community Care would like to thank everyone who bought sponsorships, donated raffle baskets or items for Soup for the Spirit, attended the event, or helped in any way to make this fundraiser such a huge success this year.

The support of the city, schools, and various organizations and businesses throughout North Ridgeville and Lorain County was very evident. Nikki Roth, Chairperson of the Fundraising Committee, said they had a sell out at-

tendance of 240 this year with a profit of over \$30,000.

Others on the committee included Georgia Awig, Andrea Ferguson, and Heather Kaesgen.

Soup for the Spirit, Community Care's biggest fundraiser annually, not only raised funds for their various programs but was also a lot of fun with Danielle Wiggins as Emcee, Shane Sinischalchi from Entershanement as DJ, and David Garza from Lake Erie Illusions strolling the event with close up magic.

Community Care receives no government money. The non profit organization relies solely on grants and donations. Other fundraising events during the year include a Fashion Show Lunch, Pizza Bake Off, and Fruit Sale. Next year's Soup for the Spirit will be held at Spitzer Conference Center at Lorain County Community College on Saturday, February 27, 2021.



North Ridgeville Mayor Kevin Corcoran and his wife, Lauren



Daphne and Heather, North Ridgeville Community Care



NORTH RIDGEVILLE COMMUNITY CARE
INVITES YOU TO
Soup for the Spirit
an evening of fellowship & fundraising

Thank you to all our first responders, healthcare and supply chain workers who are keeping our lifelines open as we all work together to get through these challenging times.

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)

Working Women Connection Makes a Difference

Each month, the North Ridgeville Chapter of Working Women Connection does a philanthropic project to promote the welfare of others.

Saturday, February 29, several members of the group and their significant

others gathered at Sleep in Heavenly Peace's warehouse in Amherst to deliver and assemble beds to children and families in need in Lorain County.

Working Women Connection is a strong organization of empowered, pro-

fessional business women inspired to come together to network, support, mentor, educate and collaborate with its members. WWC strives to encourage women to engage, encourage, and grow with one another personally and professionally, and to honor these valued partnerships.

Working Women Connection is committed to UNITING WOMEN EVERYWHERE, and encouraging our professional members to engage in their local communities by organizing and participating in community events and giving back to those in need. We also encourage the public to use our directory for products and services offered by our members. For more information, check out our website at www.workingwomenconnection.com.



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Olde Towne Hall Theatre Supports Community Care

On March 9, Sharon Godsey, Director of Olde Towne Hall Theatre in North Ridgeville, presented a check to Heather Kaesgen, Chief Executive Officer of Community Care, for \$1,646.82.

The money was collected when the offering plate was passed during each of the 9 performances of the Sister Act.

Community Care and Olde Towne Hall Theater would like to thank all those who attended the shows and so generously gave money to help support North Ridgeville's only non profit organization.

Community Care's mission is to care for the less fortunate people of North Ridgeville. You can go to their website, www.nrcommcare.org to learn more about Community Care's programs and how you can help with donations and volunteering.

Ring of Fire, the story of Johnny Cash's life told through his music, is Olde Towne Hall Theatre's next production with shows held on the weekends beginning Friday, April 24 through May 9. Disney's Frozen



Sharon Godsey, Director of Olde Towne Hall Theatre (right) presented a check to Heather Kaesgen, Chief Executive Officer of Community Care.

Jr., their summer children's production, will have auditions on Saturday, June 6. To learn more about the theater, to make reservations, or to be part of a future production on stage or behind the scenes, go to their website at www.oldetownehall.wixsite.com or call 440-327-2909.



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Please continue to send in articles and notifications. Information will also be posted on our websites:

*** www.TheVillagerNewspaper.com ***

*** www.NorthRidgevilleReview.com ***

We will get through this trying time together and come back a stronger community than ever.

Please stay safe,
The Villager Newspaper and North Ridgeville Review staff

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North Ridgeville Schools Ranger Round-Up

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NRAC, NRHS Take Part in Say Something Week

From March 2-6, students in grades 5-12 participated in Say Something Week. Say Something Week is a Sandy Hook Promise initiative that helps save lives by teaching students how to look for warning signs of someone at risk of hurting themselves or others. The initiative provides an opportunity for students to empower themselves to "say something" before a tragedy can occur. Say Something Week is a national call-to-action week to celebrate students being 'upstanders' in schools and communities.

The Ohio Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force visited the Academic Center and spoke to students in grades 5-8 about ways to stay safe online.

Photo Credit: Mr. Jordan Andrews



NRAC Fifth-Graders Create Native American Museums

On February 26, fifth-grade students from the Academic Center educated parents, family, and their peers about Native Americans through museum displays. Students researched a specific Native American tribe and topics such as the types of homes



they lived in, clothing that was worn, and artwork that was designed. What great work by the students!



RHTA Students Educated About Disease Control

Last month, the Lorain County Health Department visited the Ranger High-Tech Academy to speak to sixth-grade students about the importance of handwashing in disease control. The LCHD also discussed the differences in types of germs and how they make someone sick. *Photo Credit: Jacklyn Tobia*

RHTA Students Compete in Design and Build Challenge

On February 29, 18 sixth and seventh-grade students from Ranger High-Tech Academy participated in the 9th Annual Great Lakes Science Center Design and Build Challenge. Twenty-four teams competed in two different design challenges with 12 teams in the youth league and 12 in the corporate league. RHTA



Team 1 (Alyssa Hlavacs, Waqqas Atif, Lucas Sansone, Lydia Mondt, Mason Hoff, and Samantha Klein) placed second in the youth league and fourth overall. Fantastic job, students! *Photo Credit: Ms. Jennifer Detmar*

RHTA Hosts Culture Fair

Second-graders at the Ranger High-Tech Academy hosted a cultural festival March 5. The project-based learning question for the students was 'How can we plan and host a cultural festival to teach our community about



different cultures around the world?' Information provided by students about their designated country included cultural artwork and clothing, traditional games, greetings in native languages, and staple foods, which were made by the students for guests to sample.

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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.

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We are ready to help and hope to be a source of support. At Danbury Senior Living, we are determined to do all we can to provide personalized care with the safest and most comfortable environment we can in each of our communities.

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North Ridgeville Police Department Reminds Us to Be Safe, Be Kind and Breathe

The North Ridgeville Police Department shared a moving post to their Facebook page to remind us all to remain calm and most importantly to breath through this trying time. See their post below:

These are scary days. We get that. No one really knows what is going to happen and every day there seems to be some big announcement that adds to already anxious times.

We just want to take a minute to say:

Breathe.

No really, take a deep breath right now.

Social media is filled with the scariest of information. Some true, some questionable, and some absolutely false. We aren't going to tell you anything about COVID-19 because we don't know anything about infectious disease research. What we do know is that you should be washing your hands. A lot.

What else we know is that we really are all in this together. These restrictions coming out will affect every single person in some way. Some obviously more than others. Now is not the time to look out for yourselves above all else.

Our restaurants are going to need your support more than ever. Most are open for take out. Please, continue to use them. These are going to very trying times for a lot of them and they need our support.

The trucks will keep rolling and the stores will continue to restock. Water will continue to flow when you turn your faucet. If everyone just buys what they normally need, there will plenty to go around for everyone. There is no reason for stores to have empty shelves. We can do better.

Check in with your elderly parents and neighbors. See if they need anything from the store if you're heading out. They are the most at risk segment of society and they know it. Most of them don't want to leave the house right now

Please don't rely on random posts and memes on social media for your news. Go to reputable sites. We've listed several below. Don't buy into the anxiety driven posts designed to scare you.

- www.loraincountyhealth.com/coronavirus
- www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html
- www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus
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Most importantly, just be nice to each other. We are all stressed, kids are scared, parents are scared. The sun will continue to rise and we will get through this.

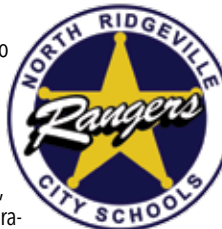
Be safe, be kind, and breathe.

Thank you to the North Ridgeville Police Department and to all our first responders, healthcare and supply chain workers.

North Ridgeville School COVID-19 Information

Extended School Closure

In a press conference on March 12, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine announced that he consulted with health experts and declared an extended school closing period. As a result, the North Ridgeville City Schools will be closed Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 3, 2020. All after school events and extra-curricular activities such as athletic practices, games and concerts are also cancelled. We will continue to keep you informed.



Food Service Update

The North Ridgeville City Schools, in collaboration with our food service provider Aramark, announced that starting on Tuesday, March 17, students from all buildings will be able to pick up bagged breakfast and lunch meals at the main entrance of the North Ridgeville Academic Center between the hours of 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. Food service workers will be outside to provide curbside pickup.

Ordinarily, meals are provided only to students of families who qualify for free or reduced meals through the federal lunch program, but because of worries about food scarcity, the USDA has relaxed this requirement and provided a waiver that allows school lunch programs to be reimbursed for every meal provided to students during this crisis. We understand that some family members will still have to report to work and our schools are happy to help provide a convenient and nutritious meal for our students during this closure.

Visit www.NRCS.net for up-to-date information and student resources.

North Ridgeville Community Care

North Ridgeville Community Care is remaining open to help those in need. The following message was shared on their Facebook page:

"At a time when everyone is stocking up on food and supplies for their own families, we are humbled that SO MANY are still choosing to donate food to Community Care!

"Bare with us as we try to keep everyone's safety at the forefront of receiving and distributing food. We are currently not allowing anyone

into the building. We are distributing food at our side door to our clients.

"For donations, Simply drive up to our garage door and place food items in the container.

"We know that our hours aren't the most conventional but if you choose to drop off food, please try to stick to the following: Mon, Tues & Wed: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm; Thurs, 2:30 - 7 pm.

"For the time being, we will not be open on Tuesday afternoons

"Thank you and God Bless You!"

North Ridgeville Ranked #3 Safest City in Ohio

The National Council for Home Safety and Security released their 2020 report listing the top safest cities in Ohio. North Ridgeville ranked #3 on the list. Here is what the article had to say about North Ridgeville:

"On a whole, the outlook on crime in Ohio is fairly positive, as the state's 2018 violent crime rate of 2.8 offenses per 1,000 people was about 24% lower than the national average, while its property crime rate was just a notch lower than nationwide levels. However, Ohio's safest cities do even better, boasting low crime rates on par with the best of the nation.

"#3 North Ridgeville is the 3rd straight Cleveland suburb in the ranking of Ohio's safest cities. With a population of around 34,000, North Ridgeville is larger than #1 (Olmsted Township) and #2 (Brecksville) combined, yet still managed to record less than 10 violent crimes in 2018, for a remarkable violent crime rate of 0.26 per 1,000."

Visit www.NRidgeville.org for the complete article and methodology used.



Closures and Cancellations

We are currently experiencing uncertain times and we have an obligation to protect our most vulnerable citizens. As such, following the directive of Governor Mike DeWine and in an attempt to limit exposure to COVID-19, we will close the Senior Center building as of Wednesday, March 18, 2020. In addition to the closing of the Senior Center building, all activities that occur in that building will be cancelled. Shady Drive batting cage, Safetyville building and Community Cabin are all closed as of that date and all activities that occur in those facilities are cancelled. All of these cancellations and closures are until April 3, 2020 and further determinations will be made at that time.

In addition, our Meals on Wheels program and Senior transportation are suspended until further notice.

Any programs that are currently in operation will receive a full refund, partial refund and/or household credit.

We will continue to update this information as changes are made on our city's website at nridgeville.org.



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