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Council Offers Chick-fil-A 10-Year Tax Incentive

By Haley Bradfield

The Ashland City Council approved a 10-year, 50% tax reinvestment incentive Tuesday in an effort to attract Chick-fil-A to Ashland.

The Georgia-based company is considering construction of a \$3.625

million restaurant next to Culver's along U.S. Route 250 near the Interstate 71 interchange. The proposed restaurant would create approximately 30 full-time jobs.

The company has not yet committed to the proj-

ect. Mayor Matt Miller said construction, if approved, could begin as early as spring 2027, with a projected opening in the third quarter of 2028.

Council authorized an ordinance to pay a bill resulting from an accidental nick to a Columbia Gas line in July. The damage has since been repaired.

Miller also provided an update on the city's contract with the Ohio Department of Transportation for salt for the upcoming winter season. He said the city needs to hire three additional commercial driver's license drivers to operate snowplows.

The next council meeting is scheduled for



Mayor Matt Miller displays a sign announcing that Chick-fil-A is considering building a restaurant in Ashland. If the project is approved, construction could begin as early as spring 2027.

Photo by Haley Bradfield

September 15 at 7 p.m. on the third floor of the Municipal Building, 206 Claremont Avenue. Meetings are open to the public and livestreamed on the city's YouTube channel.



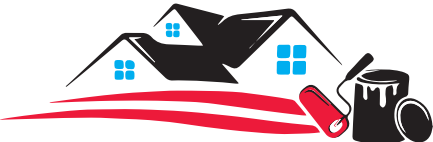
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Local resident Tom Young works in his home shop to hand-paint historical marker signs for State Route 3 North and South in preparation for Charles F. Kettering's 150th birthday celebration. Young and Gabe Griffith combined efforts to restore the signs as part of the Loudonville Kettering Community Celebration activities.
Submitted Photo



Students participating in the Arts Alive Create A Story Plus Camp pose on stage following their tribute to Charles F. Kettering, titled "A World Without Kettering." Participants created and performed the original production at the Arts Alive Showcase on July 18.
Submitted Photo



Artwork by VFW Post Commander Shawn Seffens depicting the Charles F. Kettering statue is displayed in the windows of East of Chicago and the former Rhoads Jewelry Store in honor of Kettering's 150th birthday and America's 250th birthday. The artwork was commissioned by Deb Sutterlin, president of the Perrysville VFW Post 8586 Auxiliary. Photo by Sue Banks

Commissioners Approve Funding, Contracts

By Amanda Chambers

The Ashland County Commissioners approved several appropriations for anticipated expenses and remaining-year payroll costs, along with contracts and other financial matters, during their meeting Thursday, September 3.

Among the larger appropriations were \$40,000 for the Ashland County Health Department's Food Service fund for a transfer to Workforce Development, \$34,400 for Workforce Development wages and \$5,600 for related PERS and Medicare expenses.

The commissioners also approved \$30,000 for Municipal Court appointed counsel fees, \$20,000 for Jail Operations to purchase a 2022 Chevrolet Equinox and \$20,000 from the Sheriff DUI Fund to purchase a 2024 Buick Encore.

Ashland Municipal Court Judge John Good addressed the commissioners regarding the request for additional funds for court-appointed counsel. He said approximately \$15,000 in costs had been carried over from last year and that the number of cases and associated costs have increased significantly.

Good said only two local attorneys are willing to take public defense cases in Ashland County. He recommended

the commissioners consider all available options for court-appointed counsel in the future.

Commissioner Denny Bittle said the board should consider reviewing the court's budget and possibly increasing it next year to cover actual expenses.

Other appropriations included \$50,000 for anticipated Mental Health Board repairs, \$30,000 for Recorder's State Fees remittance, \$23,313 for anticipated Community Housing Impact and Preservation Grant repairs, \$20,000 for Juvenile Felony Custody contract services and \$15,000 for anticipated audit expenses.

The board approved a \$10,715.46 transfer within the Mental Health Board fund for anticipated supplies.

The commissioners approved an IV-D service contract between the Child Support Enforcement Agency and the Ashland County Common Pleas Court, Domestic Relations Division, for magistrate services.

The board approved a contract with V.O. Menuez & Son Inc. for replacement of a steel truss bridge on County Road 658. A \$1,184,031.56 bid was accepted in August, with \$500,000 to be covered by an Ohio Public Works Commission grant.

An addendum to the county's master contract with Superior Dental Care also was approved to continue employee dental benefits for 2027.

The commissioners approved Then & Now certifications and payment of warrants for the recorder.

The commissioners' meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 8, was canceled due to a lack of agenda items.

A bid opening for granular materials was scheduled, but no bids were received. County Engineer Ed Meixner said that had never happened before.

Commissioners authorized reopening the bid process, with new bids to be opened at 9:15 a.m. September 17. Meixner said he will contact some of the approximately 15 businesses that were notified to determine why they did not submit bids.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, September 10, in the second-floor conference room of the Ashland County Building, 110 Cottage Street. Meetings are open to the public and streamed live on the "Ashland, OH County Government" Facebook page.

Police Calls

ASHLAND

Aug. 26, 3:20 p.m. Police responded to a report of trespassing/unwanted person at Trinity Lutheran Church, 508 Center St. A 31-year-old man was arrested for criminal trespass.

Aug. 26, 10:43 p.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance in the 200 block of Ashland Ave. A 24-year-old woman was arrested for domestic violence.

Aug. 27, 10:32 p.m. Police conducted a traffic stop near King Rd. and Samaritan Ave. A 19-year-old man was arrested for possession of

drugs – marijuana and transportation of marijuana.

Aug. 27, 11:33 p.m. Police responded to a report of OVI at Bullshooters, 35 E. Main St. A 35-year-old man was arrested for OVI and disorderly conduct – offensive gesture or noise.

Aug. 28, 1:12 p.m. Police served a warrant at the Ashland Police Department to a 34-year-old woman for failure to appear.

Aug. 28, 5:17 p.m. Police responded to a report of theft at Walmart, 1996 E. Main St. A 50-year-old man was arrested for theft by deception.

Aug. 29, 2:23 a.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance at Bullshooters, 35 E. Main St. A 30-year-old man was arrested for disorderly conduct.

Aug. 29, 8:23 a.m. Police responded to an EMS medical call in the 600 block of Park St. A 22-year-old man was arrested for having control of a vehicle while under the influence.

Aug. 29, 8:46 p.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance at Buehler's, 1055 Sugarbush Dr. A 33-year-old man and a 51-year-old man were arrested, and each was

charged with disorderly conduct.

Aug. 30, 2:07 a.m. Police responded to a report of a disturbance in the 200 block of E. Walnut St. A 39-year-old man was arrested for domestic violence.

Aug. 30, 8:33 a.m. Police responded to a report of trespassing/unwanted person in the 1500 block of Orange Rd. A 40-year-old woman was arrested for failure to appear. A 36-year-old woman was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

Aug. 30, 10:41 a.m. Police responded to a report

of theft at Walmart, 1996 E. Main St. A 41-year-old man was arrested for theft by deception.

Aug. 31, 8:56 p.m. Police responded to a report of assault in the 400 block of E. 4th St. A 28-year-old woman was arrested for assault, and a 42-year-old man was arrested for falsification with purpose to incriminate another.

Sept. 1, 9:12 a.m. Police responded to a report of harassment in the 1500 block of Cottage St. A 39-year-old man was arrested for telecommunications harassment.

Sept. 1, 2:44 p.m. Police responded to an EMS medical call in the 1100 block of Hale Ave. An 80-year-old man was arrested for discharging a firearm within the city limits and using a weapon while intoxicated.

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Aug. 23, 12:44 p.m. Police responded to River-side Park on S. Birch Dr. for vandalism in the public restroom. A roll of paper towels was found in a toilet, with burned and charred towels on the floor.

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Redbirds Rout New London, Remain Unbeaten at 2-0

Staff Report

The Loudonville High School football team held New London scoreless in three quarters to secure a 55-13 road victory on Friday, August 28.

“I’m really pleased with how our team has played on the road these first two weeks. We made a couple uncharacteristic mistakes in the first half, but responded really well in the second half,” said Redbirds coach Keith Lemke, whose team rushed for 339 yards in the victory. “We have preached over and over again that we have to finish games, and we were able to do that tonight. Our offensive line did a great job opening up running lanes for all our backs, and we were able to take advantage of that.”

Arrows Ring Bell Again

By Dan Chandler

The Ashland Arrows kept the Erie Bell trophy in their possession August 28, defeating Marion Harding 27-13 and extending their winning streak over Harding to five games.

Junior quarterback Liam Hubacher paced the Arrows’ offense, completing 15 of 23 passes for 119 yards and a touchdown. Hubacher found junior Carter Nelson for a 10-yard scoring strike and added a rushing touchdown of his own, finishing with 49 yards on the ground.

Senior Killian O’Brien hauled in 10 catches for 87 yards to lead the Arrows’ receiving corps.

On the ground, senior Grayson Baith did the heavy lifting, carrying the ball 19 times for 90 yards and punching in a 4-yard touchdown.

Ashland’s final touchdown came courtesy of its defense. Senior Jeff Hickey scooped up a Marion Harding fumble and rumbled 20 yards into the end zone.

With the win, Ashland moves to 2-0 on the season.

Ashland had a home matchup against the Clyde Fliers on September 4. Results were not available at press time.

This week, the Arrows host the New Philadelphia Quakers on September 11.

Statistics provided by the Ashland Arrows Broadcasting Network.



Junior quarterback Liam Hubacher (19) prepares to take the snap from senior center Greyson Blough (75) during Ashland’s game against Marion Harding on August 28.

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CALLS cont. from pg.3

Aug. 23, 6:42 p.m. Police cited a 36-year-old Loudonville woman for expired vehicle registration in the 100 block of N. Water St.

Aug. 24, 10:38 a.m. Police responded to the 600 block of N. Spring St. for a trespassing complaint. The individual was not located, but a trespass notice was prepared for service.

Aug. 24, 3 p.m. Police responded to the 400 block of Campus Dr. for a juvenile complaint.

Aug. 24, 3:37 p.m. Police responded to the 900 block of State Route 97 to assist the Ashland County Sheriff’s Office and ODNR officers with a man who suffered an accidental self-inflicted gunshot wound to the leg.

Aug. 24, 3:59 p.m. Police responded to the 200 block of N. Union St. for a report of fuel theft. The customer said he had used his card and was unaware the transaction failed. He later returned and paid the balance.

Aug. 24, 6:33 p.m. Police responded to the 500 block of

The Redbirds (2-0) opened the scoring with two 5-yard touchdown runs from junior Collin Caley. Caley led the Redbirds in rushing with 140 yards and two touchdowns.

Junior quarterback Chayse Wright threw for 98 yards and ran for 91 yards and three rushing touchdowns.

Juniors Trenton Gaines, who had 29 receiving yards and a touchdown, and Nic Buzzard, who had 46 receiving yards, were Wright’s top receivers.

Sophomore Coltin Caley returned a kickoff 80 yards for a touchdown, while sophomore Ian Mack added a 29-yard touchdown run to close out the scoring for the Redbirds.

Redbirds Girls Rally Past Triway

Staff Report

The Loudonville girls soccer team scored twice in the second half to defeat Triway, 2-1, Monday, August 31.

Triway took a 1-0 lead at the 2:38 mark of the first half on a goal by Aria Natalizio.

Loudonville (3-2) responded after halftime when junior Kate Frankford scored, with junior Brynn Bitner providing the assist.

Bitner then put the Redbirds ahead with a penalty kick with 4:32 remaining in the match.

“It was great to see Chayse Wright running the ball well this evening, especially with teams keying on Collin,” Lemke said. “Moving forward, we will continue to need production from all our skill guys. Defensively, we played a great game. We’re really happy with the pressure we generated and the turnovers we took advantage of. Overall, a great defensive performance. Great team win. Go Birds!”

Loudonville hosted Hillsdale on September 4. Results were not available at press time.

The Redbirds play Mount Gilead on the road September 11.

Junior goalkeeper Amber Manchester recorded six saves in the victory.

The Redbirds were scheduled to play Washington on September 2 and Galion on September 5. Results were not available at press time.

Loudonville will host Coshocton on September 12.

Arrows Tie for Third at OCC Meet

By Dan Chandler

The Ashland Arrows boys golf team tied for third place with a team score of 324 in the second leg of the Ohio Cardinal Conference tournament August 27 at The Pines Golf Course in Orrville.

Sophomore Dalton Satterfield paced Ashland with a round of 77, while fellow sophomore Jacob Snay shot 79. Sophomore Jaxon Bowman carded an 82, and junior Kale Durig rounded out the Arrows’ scoring with an 86.

Sophomores Declan Thomas and Brett Beckwith also competed for Ashland.

The Arrows are tied for third in the overall OCC standings.

Ashland will compete in the Hoban Invite at Portage Country Club September 8. The Arrows will continue the OCC tournament with the third round September 10 at Oak Tree Golf Club.

Arrows Volleyball on a 4-Game Roll

By Dan Chandler

The Ashland High School volleyball team continued its strong start to the season, winning its last four matches, including three Ohio Cardinal Conference victories, to improve to 5-1 overall and 3-0 in conference play.

Ashland opened the stretch with a hard-fought four-set win over New Philadelphia on August 27, taking the match 25-16, 25-27, 25-20, 25-20. Sophomore Makenna Oslie paced the Arrows with 20 kills, three service aces and 13 digs. Seniors Rylan McFrederick and Sadie Walter also contributed heavily on offense with 13 and 11 kills, respectively. Walter added three aces and three blocks. Junior Arienne Vaughn ran the offense with 46 assists, while senior Makenna

Chandler anchored the back row with 13 digs.

Two days later, on August 29, Ashland made quick work of South Central, sweeping the match 25-14, 25-10, 25-16. Oslie again led the way with 13 kills and 10 digs. Walter turned in another well-rounded effort with 11 kills, four service aces and a team-high three blocks. Vaughn continued to distribute the offense with 28 assists and added 14 digs. Chandler recorded 11 digs, while sophomore Kyla O’Brien led all players with six service aces.

Ashland returned home to face Tiffin Columbian and came away with a four-set victory, 25-11, 25-17, 22-25, 25-23. Oslie was once again a force at the net, finishing with 21 kills and three blocks. Chandler led the

team defensively with 14 digs and added three service aces. Vaughn set up the offense with 40 assists and chipped in 10 digs. Walter added 11 kills and led the team with five blocks.

Ashland kept its conference win streak alive on September 1 with a three-set sweep at Mansfield Senior, winning 25-10, 25-7, 25-3. Individual statistics from the match were not available at press time. The victory improved Ashland’s OCC record to 3-0 and moved the Arrows to 5-1 overall on the season.

Ashland hosted Madison on September 3 and traveled to compete in the Crestline tournament on September 6. Results were not available at press time. The Arrows will host West Holmes on September 8.



Sophomore Makenna Oslie prepares to serve during the September 1 match against Mansfield Senior. The Arrows swept Mansfield in three sets.

Photo by Dan Chandler

S. Market St. for a report of a recklessly driven motorcycle. The motorcycle was found abandoned and towed after the driver fled in another vehicle. The driver, a 22-year-old Fredericktown man, was later identified and arrested for driving under a 12-point suspension, obstructing official business and an obstructed license plate.

Aug. 26, 4:56 p.m. Police responded to the 2000 block of County Road 529 to assist the Ohio State Highway Patrol with dispatching an injured deer.

Aug. 27, 2:43 p.m. Police handled a juvenile complaint at the Police Department.

Aug. 28, 7:23 p.m. Police investigated a report of gunshots in the 200 block of Pine Ave. The gunshots were determined to have originated on State Route 60 outside the village’s corporation limits.

Aug. 29, 9:23 a.m. Police cited a 37-year-old Lorain woman for speeding (49/35) in the 300 block of S. Mt. Vernon Ave.

Aug. 29, 5:44 p.m. Police assisted the Holmes County Sheriff’s Office in locating a

suspect who had fled from a domestic violence incident. The suspect was found in a vehicle in the 200 block of N. Union St. and detained until Holmes County deputies arrived and transported the individual to the Holmes County Jail.

Aug. 29, 9:20 p.m. Police responded to the 300 block of W. Main St. for a reckless driver report. The driver, an 80-year-old Perrysville woman, was cited for a marked-lanes violation.

Aug. 29, 11:55 p.m. Police located a suspicious ve-

hicle parked in the 100 block of E. Main St. after business hours. Open beer cans were found in the vehicle. The owner, a 20-year-old Perrysville man, was issued a criminal summons for having open containers of alcoholic beverages in a motor vehicle.

Between Aug. 23 and Aug. 29, police also handled 82 additional routine calls, including business checks, EMS assists and reports of suspicious activity that required no further action.

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DIRECTIONS

Combine 1/2 cup mayonnaise, barbe-cue sauce and lemon juice in a small bowl and refrigerate.

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Arrows Hand Dover First Loss

By Dan Chandler

The Ashland boys soccer team delivered a statement win August 25, knocking off previously unbeaten Dover 4-1 in an Ohio Cardinal Conference clash.

Dover entered the match 3-0 on the season and had not allowed a goal. Freshman Parker Morton scored first, followed by goals from junior Ethan Haag, sophomore Luke Lavengood and senior Gary George.

Lavengood and sophomore Landon Hagedorn each recorded an assist.

The Arrows fell 1-0 August 29 at Brunswick. Ashland is 3-1 overall and 2-0 in conference play. Ashland was scheduled to host New Philadelphia September 1 and Sandusky Perkins September 5. Results were not available at press time.

This week, the Arrows travel to Madison Comprehensive September 8 and host Norwalk September 12.



Sophomore Luke Lavengood maneuvers the ball during Ashland's 4-1 win over Dover on August 25. Ashland High School Boys Soccer Facebook photo



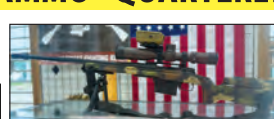
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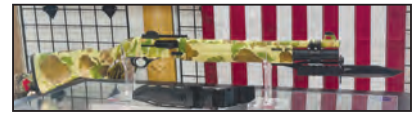
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Loudonville Volleyball Picks Up Three Wins

Staff Report

The Loudonville High School volleyball team won three of its four matches recently.

On August 25, the Redbirds topped Danville 3-1 (25-22, 25-19, 14-25, 25-22).

Senior Sophie Shultz led Loudonville with 13 kills and 17 digs, while junior Ella Vermilya added a team-high 34 assists. Senior Helaina Gray led the defense with 17 digs.

On August 27, Loudonville fell 3-0 to reigning Knox Morrow Athletic Conference champion Centerburg (25-10, 25-15, 25-13). Gray had 17 digs, while Vermilya added seven assists.

On Saturday, August 29, Loudonville hosted a tri-match with West Holmes and Crestline. Each match was best-of-three sets.

The Redbirds won a tight match against the Knights 2-1 (19-25, 25-16, 25-8) and beat Crestline 2-0 (25-12, 25-7).

Against West Holmes, Vermilya earned 30 assists in the victory. Shultz recorded 14 kills, 11 digs and seven aces. Sophomore Brynn Combs had seven kills, while Gray added 12 digs.

Vermilya added five aces and 15 assists against Crestline, while Gray earned 10 digs.

Over the four-match stretch, coach Jen Johnson also praised the defensive play of juniors Elaina Yurchek and Ruth Bitner, as well as the attacking play of sophomore Kaitlyn Hustack and senior Nicole Rooks.

The Redbirds, who improved to 5-1 overall and 2-1 in the KMAC, played September 3 at East Knox. Results were not available at press time.

This week, Loudonville hosts Madison on September 9, travels to Mount Gilead on September 10 and returns home to face New London on September 12.

Redbirds Soccer Seeks First Win

Staff Report

The Loudonville boys soccer team continued its early-season schedule Monday, August 31, falling to Triway, 2-0.

Despite the slow start, the Redbirds (0-5-1) have continued to compete and will look to pick up their first win as the schedule reaches its midpoint.

Senior Brayson Youngen has provided an offensive spark for Loudonville this season, leading the team with three goals so far. Youngen scored in the Redbirds’ 1-1 tie with Hillsdale on August 25.

Junior Zach Manchester has also contributed offensively, scoring in Loudonville’s 4-2 loss to Tuscarawas Valley in the team’s home opener August 15.

Senior Kaden Luyster has anchored the Redbirds in goal, recording 42 saves through the first six matches of the season.

Loudonville will look to turn its hard work into a positive result when it returns home September 10 to host Minerva.



Members of the Loudonville boys soccer team run off the field during a recent game against Mansfield Christian on August 25.

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Redbirds Cross Country Hits Ground Running

Staff Report

The Loudonville High School and junior high girls and boys cross country teams opened their seasons with personal successes.

On August 24, the Redbirds competed in the Northmor Invitational.

Freshman Patton Keener led the Loudonville boys, placing 39th overall with a time of 21:42. Junior Dorian Milgate finished 76th in 26:00, followed by junior Logan Taylor in 79th in 26:18. Freshman Nehemiah Yohe rounded out the Loudonville boys, finishing 85th in 29:20.

On the girls side, sophomore Gracie Jefferies led the Redbirds with a 36th-place finish in 25:54. Sophomore Kristen Troyer placed 55th in 27:30. Freshman Alaina Miller finished 92nd in 37:52, while senior Bailey Henry and freshman Faith Sifferlin finished back-to-back. Henry placed 94th in 42:11, followed by Sifferlin in 95th in 42:12.

For the junior high, Galen Ringler led the boys with a 52nd-place finish in 18:31. Wyatt Todd finished 65th in 22:19, while Evan Stake placed 66th in 22:38. Elora Edwards led the girls with a 21st-place finish in 16:11. Myah Adams placed 32nd in 17:07, followed by Naphtali Yohe in 33rd in 17:17.

On August 29, the Redbirds competed in the Tiger Classic at Seneca East.

Keener again led the Loudonville boys, finishing 76th overall in 20:30. Milgate placed 131st in 23:52, while Nehemiah Yohe finished 156th in 29:05.

Troyer led the Loudonville girls, placing 47th in 24:56. Jefferies finished 53rd in 25:14. Sifferlin placed 103rd in 32:56, while Henry finished 107th in 39:39.

In junior high action, Naphtali Yohe led the girls with a 31st-place finish in 15:40. Edwards placed 35th in 15:51, while Adams finished 45th in 16:43. Ringler led the boys, finishing 75th in 17:17. Stake placed 84th in 18:34, followed by Todd in 89th in 19:07.

“Everyone who raced on Saturday either had a lifetime or season PR,” coach Mike Serrato said. “I am very happy about the team’s progress and drive to get better and improve themselves every day.”

The Redbirds were scheduled to compete September 5 at the Ashland Cross Country Invitational at Freer Field in Ashland. Results were not available at press time.



Junior Dorian Milgate competes for the Loudonville boys cross country team during the Tiger Classic at Seneca East on August 29.

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Arrows Win Two Straight

By Dan Chandler

The Ashland girls tennis team picked up a hard-fought 3-2 nonconference victory over Medina on August 27.

Senior Melody Rickett anchored the singles lineup with a 6-2, 6-4 win at third singles.

The first doubles team of juniors Nora White and Claire Swaisgood battled to a 6-3, 7-6 (7-5) win, while junior Gwenyth Miller and freshman Raina Sikkenga took second doubles 7-5, 7-6 (8-6).

Two days later, Ashland hosted Brunswick and made quick work of the Blue Devils, winning 4-1.

Senior Claire Sharick earned a 6-3, 6-3 victory at second singles, while Rickett won 6-1, 6-0 at third singles.

The doubles teams were just as sharp. White and Swaisgood teamed up again at first doubles, winning 6-1, 6-3, while Miller paired with sophomore Anna Grissinger to take second doubles 6-1, 6-2.

The wins pushed Ashland to 4-3 on the season. The Arrows continued their busy schedule, facing New Philadelphia on September 1, Norwalk on September 3, and hosting Sylvania Northview on September 5. Results were not available at press time.

This week, the Arrows hit the road to face Lexington on September 8, Columbian on September 10 and Bowling Green on September 12.

Burkepile Leads at Apple Valley

By Jim Brewer

In play on August 27, Austin Burkepile shot an even-par 36 to take medalist honors in the Mohican Men’s Golf League at Apple Valley.

Weekly honors included most birdies, with seven golfers recording one each: Rusty Burkepile, Austin Burkepile, Darin DeWitt, Ed Gillette, Kevin Derr, Fred Wachtel and Craig Henderson Jr.

Kim Derr had the most pars with eight; Fred Wachtel had the most bogeys with eight; Craig Henderson Jr. had the lowest net score with a 30; and Skip Stitzlein had the most points with 30.

Standings are Shrivvers Pharmacy, 856; Trails End Pizza, 777; Doc’s Duffers, 717; Stake’s IGA, 710; Brennstuhl Construction, 708; and Harris Automotive, 700.

A Stroll Through Ashland County Gardens: Keeping Cabbage Invaders Out of the Garden

By Eric Larson

I was contacted by a reader about worms eating his cabbage. When I visited his garden, most of his cabbage and related crops had small holes in the leaves. The culprit was a green caterpillar about 1 to 2 inches long with a thin line running from its thorax to its abdomen. These caterpillars eventually become cabbage moths, one of the most common pests found in cabbage patches.

My friend wanted to control the insects organically. As we talked, he was picking the caterpillars off the leaves by hand. While hand-picking is time-consuming, it is one of the simplest ways to reduce their numbers.

One of the best organic methods for preventing damage is to keep the moths from reaching the plants in the first place. Floating row covers placed over cabbage will prevent the moths from laying eggs on the leaves. The covers are easy to install with hoops and insect netting, and because cabbage does not require insect pollination, the plants can remain covered throughout the growing season.

Another approach is to confuse the moths before they lay eggs. Over the years, I have used sprays made with wormwood or garlic to disguise the scent of the cabbage. Planting aromatic herbs such as thyme, dill, sage, wormwood and onions nearby may also help make cabbage plants less attractive to the pests.

If caterpillars become established, thorough treatment is important because they often feed underneath the leaves and deep within the cabbage head. Over the years, I have had success using Sevin, while gardeners looking for an organic alternative may prefer Bt (Bacillus thuringiensis), also sold



Cabbage caterpillars feed on a leaf. The pests can quickly damage cabbage and related crops if left unchecked.

Photo by Eric Larson

as Dipel. Applied once a week, Bt targets caterpillars without harming most beneficial insects.

Nature also provides some helpful allies. A small parasitic wasp called Apanteles glomeratus lays its eggs inside cabbage caterpillars, eventually killing the pests. Birds also help keep caterpillar populations in check, so providing nesting sites, water and nearby cover can encourage these natural predators to visit your garden.

There are many effective ways to manage cabbage pests without giving up your crop. Cabbage is too valuable to let these freeloaders rob us of its nutritious harvest.

I hope you have a nice stroll through your garden this week.

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Visitors watch videos about the life and accomplishments of Loudonville-born inventor and philanthropist Charles F. Kettering during the Loudonville Kettering Community Celebration, held Saturday, August 29, at the Loudonville Fair Building in honor of his 150th birthday. The event was organized by Sue Banks and the Loudonville/Perrysville Alumni.

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Loudonville mayor Cathy Lance reads a proclamation in honor of Charles F. Kettering’s 150th birthday during the Loudonville Kettering Community Celebration, held Saturday, August 29.

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ASWCD Not-So-Spooky Forest Adventure Awaits

By Dan Chandler

Families can explore the outdoors this fall during the Ashland Soil and Water Conservation District's Not-So-Spooky Forest Conservation Chat at Hazel Willis Woods. The fall forest scavenger hunt will take place throughout October, allowing registered participants to visit the woods at a time that works for their families. Participants will receive a printable scavenger hunt list by email and can search for seasonal sights, sounds and natural treasures throughout the forest.

The activity is designed to encourage families to learn more about trees, plants, wildlife and other features of a healthy forest.

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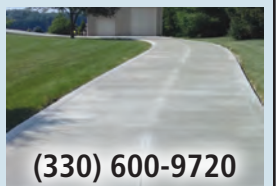
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
The Loudonville Village Council will meet on October 19, 2026 at 6 pm at the Loudonville Village Hall Council Chambers-2nd Floor (156 N. Water St.). Ten (10) parcels of land situated along State Route 3 South are to be rezoned to the C-2 General Commercial District. Ashland County Parcel Numbers C09-032-D-0009-00, C09-032-D-0001-00, C09-032-C-0018-00, C09-032-C-0018-04, C09-032-C-0018-02, C09-032-C-0018-03, C09-032-C-0018-01, C09-032-B-0002-00, C09-032-B-0002-01, C09-032-B-0001-00, C09-032-A-0001-00. Maps can be examined online or in the Village Office.

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