

3rd Quarter 2022 - Public Issues (July, August, Sept)

Mansfield/ Ashland)

July 3rd (32:22)

Topics

Homelessness in Mansfield, Ashland Fireworks Display, Roadway Safety Over July 4th Holiday weekend

Summary

Sgt. Mike Smith of the Ohio State Highway Patrol Mansfield post joined us in studio to talk about safe driving over the July 4th holiday. Kelly Blankenship shared how they are nearly at full capacity at the homeless shelter in downtown Mansfield's Harmony house and what kind of items are needed at the location. Ashland is ready for their big 4th of July fireworks tonight and mayor Matt Miller fill us in with what is planned.

Guests

Kelly Blankenship - Harmony House Homeless Shelter

Matt Miller - Ashland mayor

Sgt. Mike Smith - Ohio State Highway Patrol

July 10 (30:44)

Topics

New Shelby Pre-k - 8 building and Athletic Complex, Shelby Bicycle Museum now open, Planned Improvements to downtown Mansfield

Summary

Shelby school board member Scott Rose gives an update on the two summer

projects in the district, a new prek - 8 building and athletic complex. Shelby mayor Steve Schag shares details on the new bicycle museum now open in town and Jodie Perry from the Chamber of Commerce with ideas to improve the downtown area in Mansfield.

Guests

Scott Rose - Shelby School Board Member

Shelby Mayor - Steve Schag

Jodie Perry - President, CEO of Richland Area Chamber of Commerce

July 17

iHeart Communities Show

iHeartRadio Communities: Public Affairs Special

30min show for all English stations to run in place of current show or in addition to.

Designed to focus on the biggest issues impacting you this week.

To air: **Weekend of 07/15 – 07/17**

Guests & Topics:

- **Dr. Peter Marks, M.D., Ph.D., Director of the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research for the Food & Drug Administration.** The FDA plans to update boosters to target Omicron variants. Marks discussed the necessity for people to stay on top of boosters. He also talked about boosters for children 5-11 years old.
- **Peter Greenberg, Journalist, Reporter, and Travel Detective.** It's been a tough summer for U.S. air travelers across America. Greenberg gives us tips and tricks to help successfully navigate "air-magedon" and deal with the tribulations at America's airlines and airports.

July 24

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To air: **Weekend of 07/22 – 07/24**

Guests & Topics:

- **Joseph Palm, Regional Director, Region 7 & Catherine Lindsey Satterwhite, PhD, MSPH, MPH & Regional Health Administrator for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.** We've been hearing a lot about the new BA 5 COVID subvariant that is even more contagious than the original strain. Palm and Satterwhite told us what we can do to protect ourselves against this new strain. Also, the 2022 Walcott Truckers Jamboree – which bills itself as "the best trucker party in the country" drew nearly 50,000 people last week. They also discussed why it is important to speak to specialized audiences throughout the US to combat Covid-19.
- **Aaron Dworkin, CEO of the National Summer Learning Association (NSLA).** Dworkin focused on Discover Summer, an online destination supported by iHeart Media, Discovery Education, Nintendo Switch, and New York Life Foundation. The platform encourages families to discover both in-person and virtual summer programs in their community. He talked about effects of summer learning loss, equity in education, and the impact of COVID-19 and summer education.

July 31 (29:46)

Topics

Stuff the bus program to help collect needed supplies. St .Peter's School
Fundraiser

Summary

A Stuff the bus event being held locally to help collect need supplies for the Mansfield City Schools and iHeart radio will be broadcasting live to help in the effort. St. Peter's school is holding Augustfest to help raise money for programs throughout the year. The event will have music, food and much more at Spartan Fields.

Guests

Jami Kinton- Sluss - Organizer of Stuff the bus

Justin Berry - Chair person St. Peter's Augustfest

August 7 (29:04)

Topics

Timeline Of Westinghouse Demolition, Decrease in County Sales Tax, Road Projects in Richland County and Ashland County United Way Event

Summary

Richland County Commissioner Tony Vero gives an update on the Westinghouse demolition project and a decrease in sales tax due to inflation and gas prices. County Engineer Adam Gove reports on upcoming road projects, including the first county roundabout. Ashland County United Way tells us about a stuff the bus event at Wal-mart to collect back to school supplies.

Guests

Tony Vero - Richland County Commissioner

Adam Gove - Richland County Engineer

Stacy Scheiemann - Ashland County United Way Director

August 14 (30:57)

Topics

Fairgrounds Improvements, New Hotel in Ontario, Bridge and Roundabout Project in Ashland, EMA Director Retires

Summary

Susan Gentile shares details of a campaign to raise \$1 million for New Richland County Fairgrounds Show Area, Mayor Hutchinson gives early plans to build a hotel in Ontario, Ashland mayor updates a bridge and roundabout Project in Ashland and longtime Ashland County EMA Director has retired.

Guests

Randy Hutchinson - Ontario Mayor

Susan Gentile - Co-chair to raise money for New Show Area at Richland County Fairgrounds

Matt Miller - Ashland Mayor

Mark Rafeld - Ashland County EMA Director

August 21 (29:19)

Topics

Back To School Safety on Roads, Infrastructure updates

Summary

Jodie Perry tells us about a \$7 million federal grant for the Main Street Corridor plan in downtown Mansfield. David Falquette says the city plans to connect the B&O trail to Trimble road and the highway patrol is in studio to remind drivers they will see school buses on roads and children walking to school, as a new year in the classroom is here.

Guests

Sgt Mike Smith - Mansfield Post of Highway Patrol

David Falquette - Mansfield City Council President

Jodie Perry - President, CEO of Richland Area Chamber of Commerce

August 28 (29:39)

Topics

Community Park For All, Ashland University Campus Upgrades

Summary

Ashland University's Dusty Sloan gives details on all of the campus upgrades that took place over the summer, as school is starting back up with plans also for a Fanfest before home football games. Also, a plan is being put together to build a community park for all in Richland County and Michelle Giess fills us in with what is coming soon.

Guests

Dusty Sloan - Ashland University Director of Athletic Communications

Michelle Giess - Richland Newhope Superintendent

September 4 (29:53)

Topics

Mental Health, Back to School Stress, Proper Sleep, Bigfoot Event In Mid-Ohio

Summary

Dr. Jerry Strausbaugh has tips for back to school stress for families with busy schedules and how important it is to get the proper amount of sleep. Louie Andres and Matt Moneymaker fill us in about an event at Pleasant Hill Lake Park locally, which is drawing a lot of people interested in finding Bigfoot.

Guests

Dr. Jerry Strausbaugh - Executive Director Appleseed Community Mental Health Center

Louie Andres - Pleasant Hill Lake Park Director

Matt Moneymaker - Bigfoot Field Researchers Organization

September 11 (29:19)

Topics

Mansfield Rising Community Projects Update, Public Wi-Fi, Public Art, Culvert Replacement, Tax Abatement Helping Bring Jobs To Area

Summary

David Falquette tells us there is a plan to bring some jobs to the area, as council

has approved a tax abatement and also a \$4 million culvert replacement project. Maura and Allie from the Richland County Foundation talk free public Wi-Fi now available in Mansfield public art and several other projects with the Mansfield Rising project.

Guests

Maura Teynor - Richland County Foundation Chief Advancement Officer

Allie Watson - Richland County Foundation Investment Officer

David Falquette - Mansfield City Council President

September 18 (30:51)

Topics

September is National Recovery Month, YMCA To Build \$15 Million Indoor Soccer Complex, Strengthening Roads

Summary

The YMCA of North Central Ohio is going to build a \$15 million indoor soccer complex in Richland County. The Mental Health Board shares about information and events, as September is National Recovery month. Ashland is putting a liquid on streets to make them last 3 to 5 years longer.

Guests

Cristen Gilbert - CEO of YMCA of North Central Ohio

Joe Trolan - Executive Director of Richland County Mental Health and Recovery

Services Board

Matt Miller - Ashland Mayor

September 25 (29:58)

Topics

Public Art in downtown Mansfield, Candidate Announcing run for Mayor of Mansfield, New public Transit Headquarters in Ashland

Summary

Ashland has received word they will be getting a grant to build a new public transit headquarters near the downtown area. How public art in Mansfield works and how the process works. The CEO and President of the Richland Chamber of Commerce announced she is running for mayor of Mansfield in 2023.

Guests

Luke Beekman - Director of Mansfield Public Arts Commission

Jodie Perry - CEO, President of Richland Area Chamber of Commerce

Matt Miller - Ashland Mayor