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Scioto County Board of DD

SCBDD Heads Local Transit Plan

Three Grant-Funded Shuttles Offer More Choices for Adults Served

A years-long effort spearheaded by Director of Fiscal and Human Resources Matt Purcell and Director of Adult Services Kelly Hunter has resulted not only in three grant-funded vehicles to benefit those served by Scioto County Board of Developmental Disabilities (SCBDD), but also for locals who utilize other transportation services such as Access Scioto County (ASC).

"The biggest obstacle for many of our people is transportation," Purcell said. "We feel it is our obligation to help the people we serve overcome such obstacles in the most efficient way possible when we are able, and we feel this is a perfect example of that."

Many served by SCBDD may not have transportation from their homes after 4 p.m. during the week or on weekends, thereby keeping them from participating in their



Two of the new grant-funded F-350 shuttles purchased after multi-agency cooperation on a creation and approval of the Locally Developed Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation, an effort spearheaded by Fiscal and Human Relations Director Matt Purcell and Adult Services Director Kelly Hunter. The vehicles will expand transit services for adult individuals served by SCBDD.

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Students Receive Shoes from LifePoint, Scioto Shoe Mart



It's hard to learn and have fun with your friends when your shoes are too small or are too worn to protect your feet. These are things hundreds of students in Scioto County know for a fact.

Vern Riffe School students on April 7 were gifted a donation of new shoes by LifePoint Church and Scioto Shoe Mart.

"The students are so excited to wear their new shoes and show them off," said Tammy Guthrie, Scioto County Board of Developmental Disabilities' Director of School Programs. "This gift from LifePoint and Scioto



LEFT: Carson and Melonie are measured for new shoes by Sue Kemp of LifePoint Church and Vern Riffe School staff. **ABOVE:** Boxes of shoes line the stage for VRS students to wear home.

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Board Notes

The Scioto County Board of Developmental Disabilities met March 16. In addition to routine business, the Board took the following actions:

- Approved one Direct Service Contract
- Accepted the Personnel Committee's recommendation to approve the revised Table of Organization
- Approved scheduling a special meeting to discuss options for Adult Day Services carry-over employees before the May board meeting
- Reviewed bids and recommendations from TSHD Architects for VRS and STAR roof replacements, and awarded contract to Axis Alliance, LLC for replacement of both roofs
- Approved/adopted Resolution 2017-3.01 regarding transferring monies from the general to the capital fund to be used for the Capital Improvement Plan and other capital fund expenses the Board is obligated to pay
- Approved an employment contract for the Director of School Programs

The next regular Board meeting will be at 4:45 p.m., Thursday, April 20, at STAR, Inc., 2625 Gallia St., Portsmouth. An Ethics Committee meeting will be at 4:30 P.M. at the same place if there is a need. All meetings are open to the public with the exception of executive session.

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community. The addition of three shuttle buses will help alleviate that problem.

Federal changes require adults with disabilities be served in such ways they are able to be out and about in their communities, taking part in events of their choosing and living more independently. This means individuals are taking part in more community activities, employment, and social offerings than ever before, and they need ways to get there that are convenient and accessible.

Superintendent Julie Monroe tasked Purcell to "seek and acquire non-traditional funding sources," and he takes that to heart. "The taxpayer is the last resort."

Part of what made the receipt of the vehicles possible was the Locally Developed Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services

Transportation, a grant-funded endeavor wherein SCBDD partnered with consultants RLS and Associates, as well as Access Scioto County and STAR, Inc., to apply

for grant funding to purchase vehicles. These vehicles would be used to offer more transit services for adults served by SCBDD.

"The plan targets the needs of the community's most vulnerable individuals, such as those with disabilities, the elderly, and people with low or fixed incomes," said ASC Transit Coordinator Larry Mullins.

The three vehicles are Ford F-350 shuttle buses with a combined value of \$150,000, which is ultimately three for the price of one. The vehicles will be owned, operated, and maintained by STAR, Inc.



Matt Purcell
Fiscal and Human
Resources Director

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Shoe Mart is timely as we begin to wind down the school year and students spend time on summer activities."

This is the second year the local congregation has made gifts of shoes to area schoolchildren, having originally started with a goal of 500 pairs and raising the goal this year to 800.

According to LifePoint Outreach Director Chad Monroe, the donations are funded through what the church calls a "Be Rich" offering. This is when the pastor encourages congregants to be inspired by the fact that,

according to global standards, they are among the wealthiest people in the world. One need that was identified in all Scioto County's schools was for children's shoes.

"It makes a huge difference," Monroe said. "Kids win in the end, but everybody wins at the end of the day."

Students are measured and the shoes are ordered larger so the child can grow into them. Monroe said LifePoint's volunteers undertook this project ensuring there are no strings attached, it's simply an opportunity to "love on the community."

HOURS FOR THE CARDINAL'S NEST SNACK STORE

MONDAY - THURSDAY

9:15-9:30

9:45-10

10:15-10:30

11:15-11:30

1-1:15

FRIDAY

9:15-9:30

9:45-10

10:15-10:30

11:15-11:30

1:45-2



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL: MAY 25

Birthdays

May 3

Sharon Gerkin

May 15

Whitney Horsley

May 19

Margaret Compton

May 20

Michelle Wampler

May 29

Beth Arthurs, Nancy Partlow





Cardinals Fly Over Jets in Overtime Rivals Game March 30



It was a nailbiter of a game between the Vern Riffe School Cardinals and the Open Door School Jets, our big rivals in Lawrence County, on Thursday, March 30, at Iron-ton High School. The score, after an intense overtime, saw the Cardinals finally edge out the Jets 33-31. The Cardinals trailed the Jets throughout the game by a narrow margin, but kicked it into high gear in the last period, tying it up and forcing the game into overtime.



Call ext. 34300 by 10:30 a.m. to get your lunch orders in!

<div>Menu subject to change</div> <div><i>The Lunch Box</i> May, 2017</div> <div>  Every Day at Break Time ICE CREAM • Small 50¢ • Medium 75¢ • Large \$1.00 </div>				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Tuna Noodle Casserole w/Roll \$ 3.00 Cooked Broccoli 1.00 Buttered Corn .75	2 Biscuits & Gravy \$ 2.50 Hashbrowns 1.00 Fresh Fruit Cup 1.50	3 Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza Sub \$ 3.00 Chips .75 Peanut Butter Pie 1.25	4 Cheeseburger \$ 2.00 Potato Salad 1.00 Cole Slaw 1.00	5 Pizza — slice \$ 1.25 1 slice Pizza & Drink 1.75 2 slices Pizza & Drink 3.00 Sub Sandwich 2.50
8 BBQ Rib Sandwich \$ 2.50 Onion Rings 1.50 BBQ Baked Beans 1.00	9 Chicken Salad Sub \$ 2.50 Fresh Veggies w/Ranch 1.50 Applesauce .50	10 Tomato Soup w/Crackers \$ 2.00 Texas Grilled Cheese 1.50 Pasta Salad 1.50	11 Sausage, Egg & Cheese on Waffle \$ 2.50 Tater Tots 1.50 Iced Brownie 1.00	12 Pizza — slice \$ 1.25 1 slice Pizza & Drink 1.75 2 slices Pizza & Drink 3.00 Sub Sandwich 2.50
15 Tuna Noodle Casserole w/Roll \$ 3.00 Cooked Broccoli 1.00 Buttered Corn .75	16 Biscuits & Gravy \$ 2.50 Hashbrowns 1.00 Fresh Fruit Cup 1.50	17 Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza Sub \$ 3.00 Chips .75 Peanut Butter Pie 1.25	18 Cheeseburger \$ 2.00 Potato Salad 1.00 Cole Slaw 1.00	19 Pizza — slice \$ 1.25 1 slice Pizza & Drink 1.75 2 slices Pizza & Drink 3.00 Sub Sandwich 2.50
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29  Memorial Day Holiday Workshop Closed	30 Biscuits & Gravy \$ 2.50 Hashbrowns 1.00 Fresh Fruit Cup 1.50	31 Pepperoni & Cheese Pizza Sub \$ 3.00 Chips .75 Peanut Butter Pie 1.25		

Available Every Day	
Sub Sandwich	\$ 2.50
Chips	.75
Snack Cakes	.75
Soda / Water	.75
Tea	.50

 Friday Pizza Special	
1 slice pizza & drink	\$ 1.75
2 slices pizza & drink	\$ 3.00

 Salads 	
Available Every Day	
(Ranch, Red French, Honey Mustard, Italian)	
Small Garden Salad	\$ 2.00
Small Chef Salad	\$ 3.00
Large Garden Salad	\$ 4.00
Large Chef Salad	\$ 5.00

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CLOCKWISE FROM ABOVE: Bill Adams takes the ball down the court, right past City Manager Derek Allen; the Celebrity team tries to outdo the Shooting Stars as ref Jeff Rase keeps an eagle eye on the action; the players shake hands before the game starts; Coach Rita has some encouraging words for the adult team; and Chuck Lansing schools Scot "TriK Nasty" Isaac on the fine art of arm wrestling. The Hardwood Heroes Celebrity Basketball Game was April 1 at Shawnee State University's Athletic Center.

