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Hello there,

We appreciate your ongoing support as a valued Greater Lima Region (GLR) member. Your commitment and involvement are the heartbeat of our community, and it's because of supporters like you that we continue to grow, thrive, and make a lasting impact.

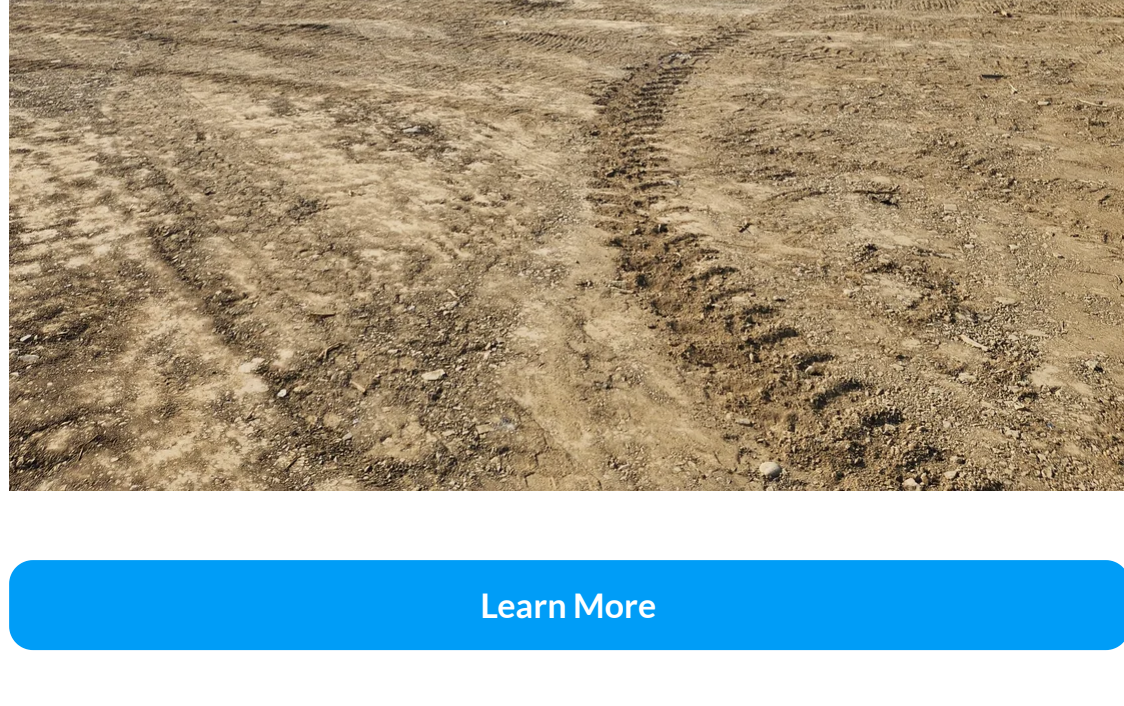
This newsletter has been curated to keep you informed and inspired by the many exciting projects, updates, and events happening across the region. We hope it serves not just as a source of information, but as a reflection of how your support helps shape the future of our community.

Thank you for all that you do. Together, we're building something truly special!

PROJECT UPDATES

Macy's Demolition Update

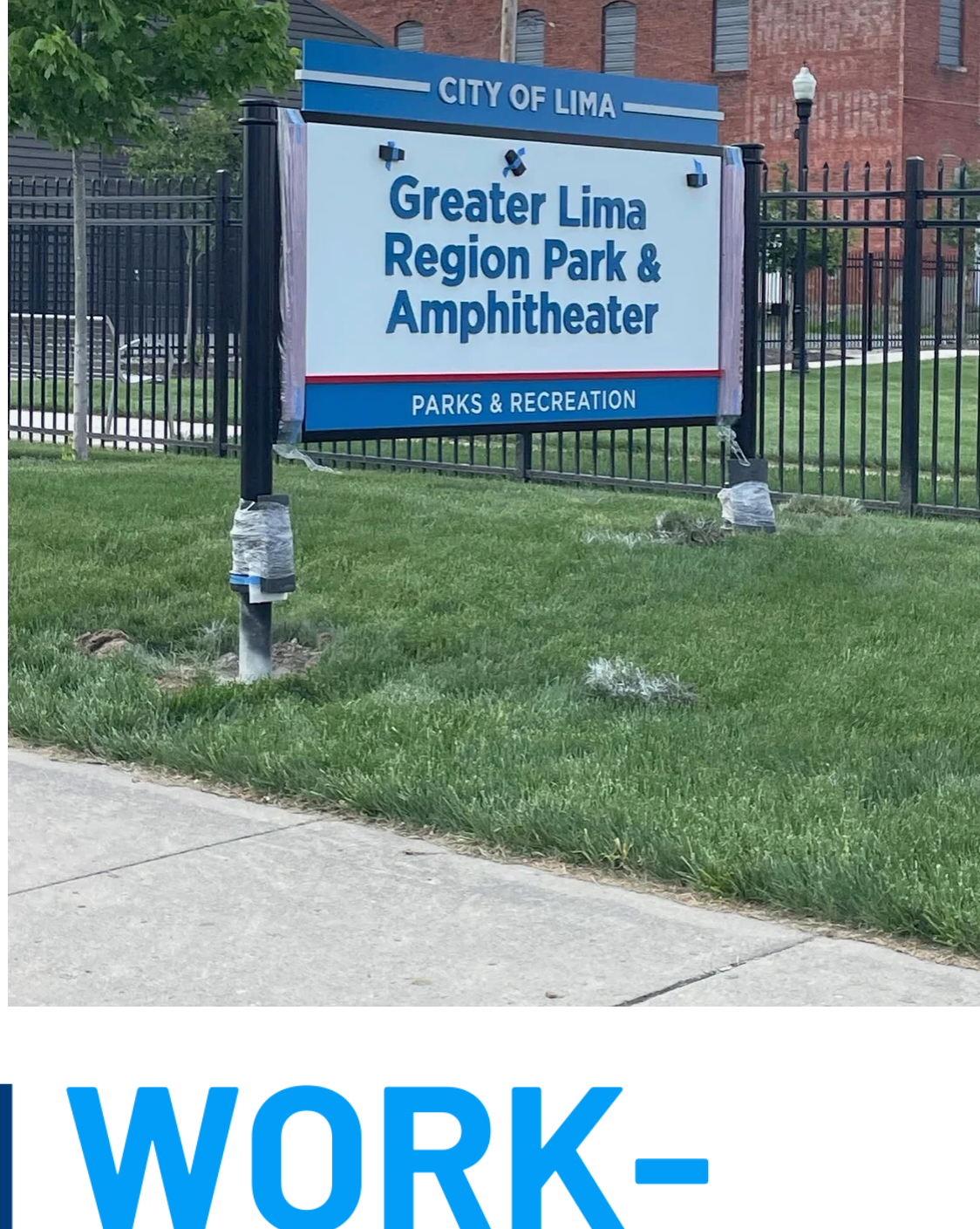
The demolition of the Macy's building is nearly finished, with crews now milling the surrounding pavement. The new Target store is slated to enhance shopping options for Lima residents and is expected to open in summer 2026.



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New Signage in the Lima Community

The city has launched a wayfinding program with the installation of new signs at each of Lima's parks. The signage is part of a four-phase project designed to help residents and visitors navigate to key destinations throughout the city. Phase two is set to begin this fall and will feature directional signs in the downtown area.



WORK-FORCE

SOAR Study to Research Mental Health at St. Rita's

The Ohio Adversity and Resilience study is underway at Mercy Health-St. Rita's Medical Center, offering health screenings, MRI and EEG brain scans, blood draws, and assessments to enhance mental health treatment in the state.



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UNOH Receives Grant

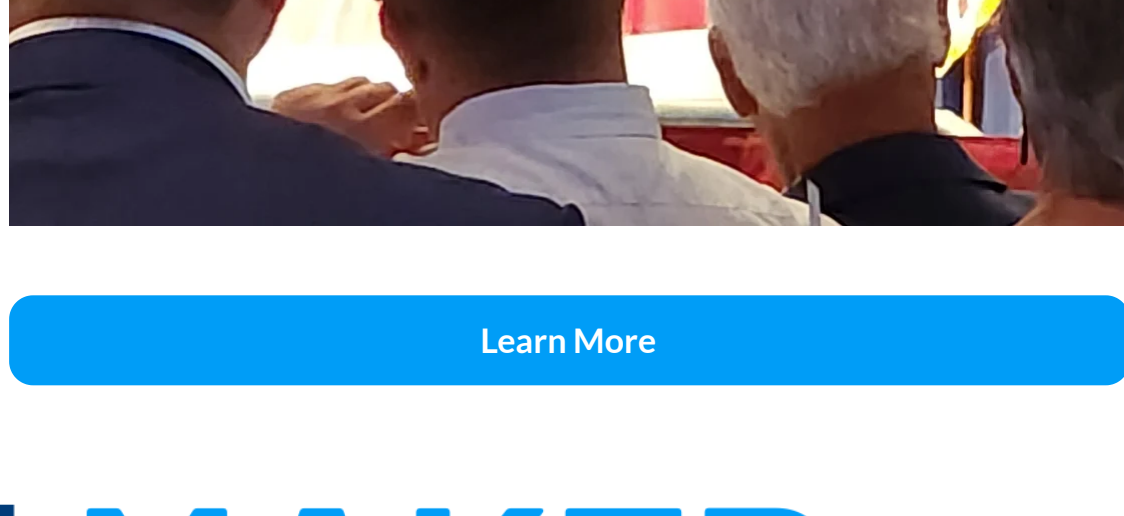
WIX® Filters, a global innovator and manufacturer of filtration products, in conjunction with *Tomorrow's Technician*, has selected the University of Northwestern Ohio, Lima, OH, as the 2024-2025 School of the Year. The University of Northwestern Ohio is the 16th recipient of the annual program, which salutes the best technical training schools in the country. WIX Filters and O'Reilly Auto Parts sponsor the national award in conjunction with Tomorrow's Technician, a Babcox Media property dedicated to automotive students. As the winning school, UNOH receives a \$10,000 WIX Filters donation to the school's program, WIX Filters gear, and other acknowledgements. "Our graduates are trained with the real-world skills necessary to succeed in the automotive, diesel, HVAC, robotics, and high-performance motorsports industries across the country. This recognition is a testament to the passion and dedication of our faculty, staff, and students." – Dr. Jeffrey A. Jarvis, President of UNOH.



EVENTS

Vice President JD Vance Visits Lima

Vice President JD Vance visited Lima to rally Republicans during a state party dinner, serving as the keynote speaker at the Ohio Republican Dinner at the Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center on June 24.



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MAKER-FEST

The career exploration event is coming up soon! This year's event, scheduled for October 9 and 10, has grown from the last two years, with 55 company sponsors and over 90 demonstrations/activities for our regional high school 9th and 10th graders, with over 1,500 waiting to register for career activities when they return to their schools. We appreciate all the companies and businesses (31 of the sponsors are GLR members) that showcase jobs and careers located here in the Greater Lima Region.

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THIS MONTH, WE'VE ADDED 8 MEMBERS

This month, we're happy to announce the addition of 8 new members to the GLR family! If you're interested in connecting with local businesses, gaining valuable resources, or being a part of an active community that's growing every day, now is the perfect time to get involved.

Have any questions or want to learn more? Feel free to reach out to Dave Stratton at strattond@greaterlimaregion.com. We'd love to hear from you!

[Become a Member](#)

Thank you for reading this month's edition of **GLR CONNECT**. We're excited about the growth and progress within our community, and we look forward to keeping you updated on future developments. Stay tuned for more exciting news, events, and opportunities to get involved.

If you have any feedback or want to contribute, don't hesitate to reach out to us.

We value your input!

Until next time,



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