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Community Reception Honors “Oberlinians of the Year” Erik and Michele Andrews

Greet and meet the *Oberlin News-Tribune*'s Oberlinians of the Year, Erik and Michele Andrews, on Sunday, February 21, from 2-4 p.m., at a reception held in the JFO Room of First Church, U.C.C. at the northwest corner of Main (SR 58) and Lorain Streets (SR 511). The free event is hosted by the Oberlin Heritage Center and the *Oberlin News-Tribune*, in cooperation with The First Church of Oberlin, United Church of Christ and the Oberlin Schools. This informal gathering is open to the public, offering light refreshment and the opportunity to applaud and appreciate these terrific community volunteers and all-around great citizens of Oberlin.

Erik and Michele Andrews are widely recognized as super-supporters of the Oberlin Schools, their athletic teams, and many other organizations throughout the community. Erik, a 1978 graduate of Oberlin High School, is president of the Oberlin High School athletic boosters. He frequently contributes sports photos and write-ups to the local newspaper. Michele also is a regular contributor to the *News-Tribune* as the “School Scene” columnist. She is a weekly volunteer at Oberlin High School and runs the OHS Parent Action Group (OHPAG), of which Erik also is a member. Michele serves on the Oberlin Schools Endowment Fund board, leads tours as a docent at the Oberlin Heritage Center, and is a community volunteer with the Doggie Doo and Pooch Parade Committee which presents one of Oberlin's most popular downtown events each fall. She volunteers at Oberlin Community Services and is a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) commonly called Guardian Ad Litem. Together, Erik and Michele help with the Interfaith Hospitality Network through First Church, U.C.C., and the entire Andrews family enjoys hosting international students in their home through the American Field Service student exchange program.

Please plan to attend the reception and salute Erik and Michele Andrews for all they do to make Oberlin a better place! For more information, contact Prue Richards at the Oberlin Heritage Center at (440) 774-1700 or e-mail history@oberlinheritage.org.

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