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## **Leadership Ottawa County, 200<sup>th</sup> Red Horse Squadron Host Free Teen Event April 20**

*Battle of the Bands, Guitar Hero<sup>®</sup>, Teen Choice Award-Best Pizza Competitions*

PORT CLINTON, Ohio – What began as the fulfillment of a simple class requirement has quickly grown into one of the area's most exciting leadership events for teens.

Leadership Ottawa County's (LOC) Class of 2008 and the 200<sup>th</sup> Red Horse Squadron, Ohio Air National Guard, will host "Red Horse Rocks Ottawa County" (RHROC), an action-packed, leadership-oriented day for area teens, ages 14-19, on Sunday, Apr. 20 from 1-8 p.m. on the squadron's grounds. The event is offered to teens at no charge.

"Each year, a class project is undertaken by LOC and this year our class wanted to share the role and necessity of leadership with area teens – and have fun, too," said Dennis Russo, LOC class member, area businessman and RHROC chairperson. "The 200<sup>th</sup> Red Horse Squadron teamed up with us to host an activity that would attract students from Ottawa and neighboring counties so we could meet them and they in turn, could see the many forms leadership can take."

By incorporating competition into RHROC, area students are being invited to join in a day designed to engage their senses - hosted by the county's Ohio Air National Guard squadron and LOC, the leadership program sponsored by Ottawa County.

For the ears and the eyes, a Battle of the Bands, ages 18-25, will pit musical groups and their onstage performances against one another – the top three performing bands to earn cash prizes. A Guitar Hero<sup>®</sup> competition will bring teens together to challenge one another as the area's best on that musical/gaming instrument. For the senses of taste and smell, area pizzerias are being invited to compete for the crown of "Teen Choice Award" for the area's best pizza. For touch, the Ohio Air National Guard will have its F-16 Flight Simulator available to challenge teens on site.

For other senses - responsibility and leadership – an area keynote speaker, leadership break-out sessions, a region-wide job fair for current open positions as well as for summer employment and community service information will be found in the 200<sup>th</sup> Red Horse Squadron's gymnasium and classrooms throughout the day.

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Additional information about Battle of the Bands can be found here:

<http://www.myspace.com/redhorserocksottawacounty>

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