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Martin and Wise to battle in March Primary Election

By Carol Klear

For awhile it looked as though the run for state representative for the 57th District would come down to a head-to-head contest between former North Ridgeville mayor Democrat Deanna Hill and incumbent Earl Martin, R-Avon Lake in the General Election.

Last week the race stepped up a notch as longtime state board of education member, Martha Wise filed petitions as a Republican candidate for the post to battle Martin in the March Primary.

It had been rumored that Wise would run as an Independent, however in a telephone conversation from her home on Saturday, she told The Press & Light that Lorain County Republican Party officials had explained it would be better to enter the Primary Election.

"I've worked for the Republican Party both in Elyria and for the Lorain County Republican Club for 20 years," Wise said. "I had to do it."

Wise is a Republican Lorain County Central Committee member. She lived in Elyria for 32 years and has lived in Avon for the past 13 years.

As for an upcoming skirmish with Martin in March, Wise feels she has an advantage.

"He was not locally elected," she said. "He's not known in the district. I've worked in the Republican



Martin



Wise

Party for 20 or 30 years."

Wise sees no problem with her possible transition from serving on the state board of education to the post of state representative, noting that funding for education is half of the state budget.

"I have worked on the budget every two years," she said. "I'm well aware of the legislative process. I've served there for 26 years."

Although there was little doubt that Martin would run for the seat he was appointed to when Jeff Manning vacated the post to become Lorain County

Prosecutor, he made a formal announcement Friday in North Ridgeville Council Chambers.

In a prepared speech he said that his first priority would be to his constituents "by keeping the role of government limited."

Martin pointed to 29 years experience in owning his own business and being elected to council in Avon Lake as the background he needs to understand people's concerns "regarding the importance of fiscal responsibility and accountability in government."

When asked for a reaction to Wise's filing, Martin said he had heard that she had planned to run as an Independent in the General Election.

"This a lot healthier to have a two-party election," he said, adding that Wise is coming to the political arena from the state board of education that hasn't had a very good track record.

For the past several weeks Martin has touted the house bill he has sponsored.

"I have one of the strongest education bills," he said. "This will save students at four-year colleges 90 percent (in tuition), if they live here (Ohio) for 10 years. No one has ever proposed anything like the one I've put together. It's an incentive for students to finish high school. It

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As new council president, Arndt issues a challenge

By Carol Klear

A new year means a new start and North Ridgeville's City Council held its organizational meeting Friday night electing Ron Arndt and Bernadine Butkowski, council president and pro-tem, respectively.

Prior to handing out committee assignments, Arndt took a few moments to advise the other legislators of his plans for the future.

"Mayor Gillock set the stage for quality and excel-

lence in running council meetings," he said. "As your new chair, I will do all in my power to carry on that high standard of ladies and gentlemen serving ladies and gentlemen."

Arndt told council he is excited about the possibilities and opportunities that lie ahead for the community. Based on that, the council president issued a challenge to council and the administration.

"A challenge that within six months your elected officials will have developed a clear, written vision for our city with a written game plan, with priorities on

how to achieve that vision," Arndt said. "Then, take this vision and this plan back to the community, our residents and our businesses so they too can embrace

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Enjoy Sunday afternoons at the library

By Carol Klear

Wicked winds, freezing temperatures and falling snow make most people shy away from traveling too far, but staying home can lead to a major case of the doldrums, especially on Sunday afternoons.

However, the North Ridgeville Branch Library has a solution for the "winter whines"-free Sunday programs.

"We were just thinking about winter and how people don't want to travel on a cold winter day," Head Librarian Karen Sigsworth said. "And we decided to do some programs on a couple of Sundays. But that would be too hard to remember, so we thought we'd have a program each Sunday."

Sigsworth said the library staff also thought it was important to make use of the new meeting room, since that was an item the public stressed for the new library.

The next two months of Sunday programs will have an historical flavor, Sigsworth said, beginning with last Sunday's event "Remembering Automobiles," that was designed to help audiences understand how the automobile led to all sorts of things including motels, fast food restaurants and interstate highways.

On Jan. 11 at 2 p.m. Sigsworth's husband, Jeff,

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Playtime at the library

Gloria Avenue residents Yolanda Wright and her son, Jahee, 4, enjoy some mother-son playtime at the North Ridgeville Branch Library. Press & Light photo by Carol Klear

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Council approves Andrew Crites as new law director

By Carol Klear

City Council got off to a fast start Monday with its first meeting of the New Year—a session that lasted little more than a half hour.

One of the most important pieces of business was appointing a law director and following Mayor Dave Gillock's nomination, Council voted unanimously to hire attorney Andrew J. Crites.

The new law director, 40, has an office on Avon Belden Road in North Ridgeville, as well as one in Cleveland and represents clients in federal, state and municipal courts throughout Northeast Ohio and in the Ohio Supreme Court.

Crites also serves as legal counsel to several elected officials, including city councilmen and judges.

He also has worked as a court-appointed arbitrator of civil action in Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court since 1990, hearing and ruling on approximately 50 lawsuits.

Receiving his bachelor's degree in political science from Miami University in 1986, Crites went on to earn a law degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

He is a member of the Lorain County Bar Association, the Ohio Bar Association and the Cuyahoga County Criminal Defense Lawyer's Association.

Crites said he and his wife, Wendy, reside in Bay Village "a half mile from

the Lorain County border," and have a 5-year-old daughter.

Following Council's vote, Gillock welcomed Crites to his new position.

"I'm glad Mr. Crites is finally on board," Gillock said. "I'm looking forward to working with him."

He also invited the law director to his office Tuesday morning adding, "I need you."

The mayor welcomed Council to its new term and said that though the administrative team and council provide a checks and balance, he was looking forward to working together.

Gillock also appointed Jim Hurst to Planning Commission for an unexpired term ending Dec. 31, 2006.

In his report to Council, Gillock said that he is continuing to meet with city employees on a one-to-one basis and recently finished talking to those working at the French Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

He also said he and Utilities Department Supervisor Jim Whitlock recently delivered checks generated from the recycling program to several groups including the middle school and the youth bureau at the police department.

The mayor said he had received a



Crites

number of responses to his request for residents to join the Economic Development Committee he is organizing and said he is still accepting applications for the board.

Safety Service Director Denny Johnson also welcomed the new Council and invited members to apprise him of issues that may be of concern to residents.

"Stay in touch," Johnson said.

At the request of City Auditor Chris Costin, Council unanimously passed a resolution adopting the housing revolving loan fund agreement to ensure that grant money from the Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) continues to flow into

North Ridgeville. The program is a partnership between the Ohio Department of Development and the city and is designed to help first-time homebuyers finance houses, as well as low-income persons who need repairs and maintenance to their homes.

The distribution of funds is determined through an application process.

According to Treasurer Jim McVeigh, those who obtain funds to purchase a home for the first time must agree to remain in the home for five years or they must repay a portion of the loan on a pro-rated basis.

In other business, Council adopted an ordinance regulating adult cabarets in North Ridgeville with the purpose of promoting the "health, safety, morals and general welfare" of the community, as well as establishing regulations for adult cabarets in the city.

Join the Economic Development Committee

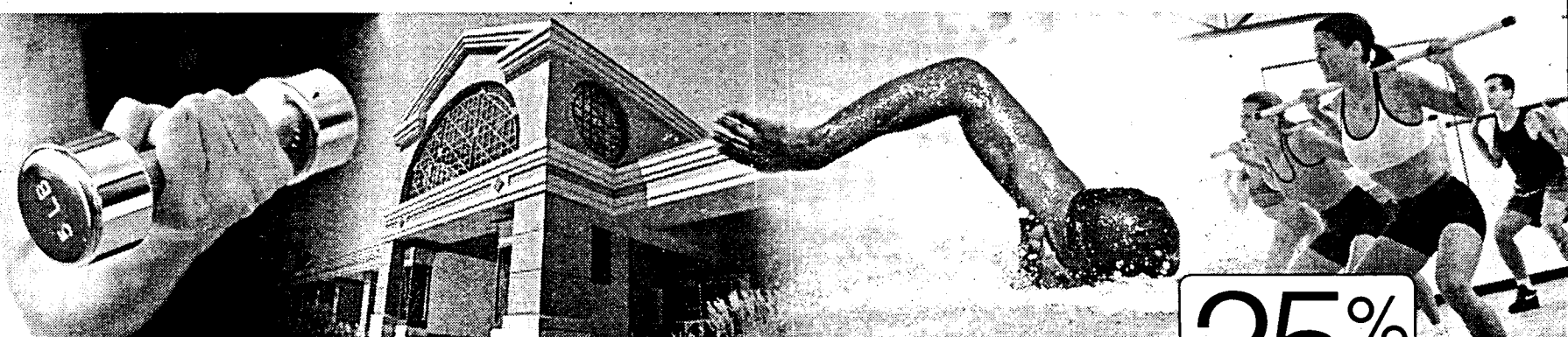
Mayor Dave Gillock is asking interested residents to apply to his office to be part of the Economic Development Committee presently

being organized. If you wish to be part of the group, contact the Mayor's Administrative Assistant Sandy Hall, 353-0810.



One for you, one for me...
Lake Ridge Academy students count the coins collected at school for Our Savior Church's Three Kings Night dinner on Jan. 3. From left to right, Alex Featherstone, Mareika Wagner, Dalton Smith, Sarah Vandevender and Marisa Serrano.

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CALLING COLLECTORS.....The North Ridgeville Historical Society is looking for collections of glass, dolls, tools or anything else you would like show off for a special exhibit at the historical museum, Jan. 25 from 2-5 p.m. For more information or to lend your collectibles to the open house, call Jane Sigsworth at 327-5489 or Marge Lesnick, 327-8638.

MORE ON THE GROUP.....The Society is also looking for North Ridgeville High School senior class pictures. It needs the following to complete its collection, to be displayed on a rotating basis; 1927, 1930, 1932-35, 1945-50 and 1955-69. This

KLEARLY SPEAKING

month's meeting is Jan. 14 at the Old Town Hall.

HOW IS N.R. DOING?.....Less than two months after taking office, Mayor Dave Gillock will present the State of the City address, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce, Jan. 15 at noon at Lake Ridge Academy's Bettcher Center, 37501 Center Ridge Road. Tom's Country Place will cater the lunch and the cost is \$10 per person. Call the Chamber office at 327-3737 for reservations no later than Jan. 13.


SHAME, SHAME.....A letter in today's paper asks for the return of figures from a resident's Christmas nativity set and the Rev. Doctor Richard Gonser, pastor of St. Julie Billiard called to report vandalism to lights at the church just three days before Christmas. Why would anyone steal or destroy someone's property, especially during such a joyous time? This is not the first time St. Julie's has had lights taken or broken, but parishioners hope it is the last. The resident asks that the missing nativity figures be returned.

KUDOS.....Patrolman Joe Roth of the NRPD arrested Willard Norman, 32, for his fifth DUI. Norman crossed a divided highway, went off the left side of the road and struck a sign. The patrolman also arrested Clarence Jones Jr., 44 for his eighth DUI, after Jones drove into his garage with Roth right behind him.

SURPRISE, SURPRISE.....How did Ron Arndt, the new kid on council's block, get to be council president? I was sure veteran Bernadine Butkowski was in line for the honor. Not only was Ron elected president he accepted the seat with a smile...and a soliloquy.

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PRESSLINE

E-mail from Harlan Kinsey: I have never forwarded anything to any newspaper in the past, but this is just so sick that I could not just let it lie. I think these PETA whackos have crossed the line. I invite you to go to this URL and form your own opinion, <http://www.furdead.com/momfur.html>.

Response: We checked out the site and found it appalling. PETA stands for People for Ethical Treatment of Animals and members have as their goal to champion the rights of animals. As Mr. Kinsey stated in his e-mail, PETA has crossed the line with its new comic book for kids, a real-life horror story titled, Your Mommy Kills Animals. The cover shows a woman, supposedly a "mommy," knife in hand and a crazed look on her face, stabbing a terrified rabbit, as blood squirts all around. According to informa-

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Sorry I didn't return your call, but I was out of touch

By Carol Klear

My name is Carol and I don't own a cell phone.

There, I admit it.

Hold it, before you start beating on me, I do own a microwave, an electric stove with an oven that can be set for automatic turn-on, a washer (no, not one with a wringer and tubs), a clothes dryer, a few ceiling fans and a riding mower of undetermined vintage.

To show you I really am a woman of the times, I even own a computer-a Dell—though for a time it was in word processor mode. I am sure there's a furry creature with a big bushy tail chortling in my backyard because I was shut off from the outside world.

How does that look for someone in the communication business?

The whole wretched mess started last Tuesday morning.

I still had a couple of unused vacation days and with 2003 winding down and the use-them-or-lose-them



Editor's Notebook
By Carol Klear

policy looming, I decided to spend the last two days of the year at home. It wouldn't be a free furlough though, my husband was scheduled for minor out patient surgery and I still had stories to write. But before launching into the day, I checked in with one of my daughters, updating my schedule for her.

A minute or two into the conversation I heard a crackle, crackle.

"It must be your phone, mine's all right," I yammered, using the old mother-daughter guilt thing.

"I'll change channels," she said.

Again...crackle, crackle, cra...

silence.

The phone was dead. No dial tone. Irritation...aggravation.

Just call the phone company!

With what? A couple of soup cans and a piece of string?

To condense the conundrum, my only solution was to head to the funeral home, where my husband works, inform him of the dilemma and use that phone to report the problem.

Then the real fun began.

You know the drill...dial "repair" and go through an overload of options including "Español or English?" I let 'em run down and then I got a real person...who related the same instructions I got from "Automated Annie."

So there I stood near the edge of the driveway mid-morning cradling my wall phone while attempting to attach its minuscule connector to a like minuscule connector in a little gray box on the side of my house...while listening for a dial tone. According to Annie, if the tone sounded, the prob-

lem was inside and I had to be home for repairs; no dial tone, the glitch was outside and I could be on my merry way.

Yea! No dial tone...I must have lost it, I was cheering because my phone was dead.

A quick toddle across SR 83 to the neighbor's to report my finding (over her cell phone) with some cajoling thrown in to the phone-fixers to fix the phone and fix it quick!

Despite bleating about my poor husband...the hospital...my seven kids...the whole enchilada, Mr. Repairman never showed until the next afternoon, leaving us just enough time to "ring" in 2004 with Happy New Year calls.

But he left a little gift, as well-a collection of discarded phone wires and clips laying in the driveway just waiting for an unsuspecting tire.

Gotta run, my phone's ringing; probably a guy selling cell phones...hmm.

Please return figures

To the Editor:

Sometime after 11 p.m. on Dec. 28 someone stole most of our manger scene from our front yard. Every year my husband likes to set up the pieces so everyone can enjoy them. He fusses over the placement of each piece and was excitedly planning on making a manger over the summer to add to the set. These items mean the world to him as he has had this scene all of his life and we would really like it returned.

The pieces missing are the baby Jesus, about 1 1/2 feet long and all in white-Mary, Joseph, one of the Wise Men, and a shepherd holding a lamb. They are about two feet tall and some are kneeling while others are standing.

The Wise Man has holes in his hands where he once held a staff. They were made about 50 years ago by Enterprise. We are not interested in pressing charges if we can get the items returned to us. Christmas just isn't Christmas without them!

Please, if anyone finds them in their yard, or knows who took them and can help to get them back, let us know and we will come pick them up. Thank you.

Cynthia Polansky
North Ridgeville

Enforce building laws

To the Editor:

I hope with the New Year, and a new city administration, that North Ridgeville will find a new sense of urgency in enforcing local building regulations.

CORRECTION

Shawn Mills was incorrectly identified in the Academic Challenge story in the Dec. 31 issue of The Press & Light. We regret the error.

PRESSLINE, continued

tion on the site, PETA members passed out the comic during holiday performances of "The Nutcracker" to children who arrived at the shows with mothers wearing furs. To subject children to PETA's stance in the name of animal rights is horrific and unconscionable.

Caller: This is in regard to all the tree lawn trashing in North Ridgeville, especially in the Mills Creek area. I don't know how it can be stopped, but maybe if parents would check their kids' tires, once in a while they might be able to see if there is mud or grass or whatever and they could talk to their kids about it because I'm sure it's something in the neighborhood. It must be stopped.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

People should not be moving into new construction units that have not had a final city building inspection. Area developers should be required to follow all applicable regulations. It's not satisfactory for inspectors to say "Old XXXX is a good builder; he'll take care of this or that." That's how homeowners end up with problems.

If more building inspectors are required to handle the increasing numbers of new construction units, then the city must hire them. North Ridgeville is a growing city, not a sleepy, backwater-farming village.

Thomas H. Higgason
North Ridgeville

Goodbye and thank you

To the Editor:

I would like to express my gratitude to you, the residents of North Ridgeville, for being as wonderful as you are. When I moved to this city from Michigan six years ago I would never have thought that I would have made such valuable friendships here. Everyone

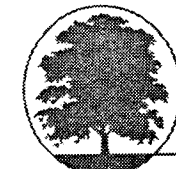
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from my neighbors on Birch Street, St. Julie's, the Republican Party, Girl Scouts, parents and staff at Lear North have shown a lot of kindness and strength in the people that they are and what they believe in.

I also need to address all the residents that supported me in my ice cream adventure—what amazing people that you are.

I am so sad to say that I have to leave this city and a lot of you but I must do what is best for our family which has meant that my husband needed to transfer in order to spend more time with his family—the most important thing to us. Please know that you will be in our thoughts and prayers often.

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Couple celebrates 76 years of love and marriage together

By Melissa Linebrink

Some say "nothing lasts forever," but 76 years of marriage is pretty close.

On Dec. 31, Gerald and Marcella Swartz celebrated their 76th wedding anniversary. On that day, Mayor Dave Gillock presented them with a proclamation in honor of their milestone.

"I liked everything about her," Gerald said referring to his wife the day he first met her. "I remember the dress she was wearing."

The couple were high school sweethearts. When they met, Marcella was 15 and Gerald was 18.

"I was a feather in her cap because I was older than she was," he said.

Despite suffering from Alzheimer's, Marcella, who lives in Northridge Health Center, remembers the days when she and Gerald were dating.

"I would not let anyone else have him," she said with a laugh.

The couple married Dec. 31, 1927 in a small wedding ceremony in Akron when Marcella was 18 and Gerald, 21.

"In those days, only the rich had big weddings," Gerald said. However, they did have bridesmaids and groomsmen.

After the couple married, they had two children. Their son resides in Marion and their daughter in Amherst. They also have 10 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Gerald was employed by Goodyear Tire for 39 years and Marcella worked for the Summit County Board of Elections for many years.

When the couple was first married, only a few people had telephones and cars. Radio was unheard of and television came after the

invention of the radio, Gerald said. For entertainment in the early 1930s, Gerald and Marcella would often see shows at the Summer Stock in Akron.

"A different play was shown every week and our friends sat in front of us," Gerald said.

After retirement, the Swartzs moved to Florida and lived there for 30 years.

As the couple reminisced about their past, they pointed out that one of the most difficult times in their lives was the Great Depression.

Gerald was never without a job, but during the Depression he made \$7 per week. He said that Goodyear Tire laid off all the women who were married and hired men to fill their spots. After the Great Depression ended, Gerald's pay gradually increased and by the time he retired, he was a foreman for the company.

Another difficult time in their lives was when Gerald came close to serving his country during World War II.

"I came close," he said. "There were six or seven men ahead of me who went."

However, despite the difficult times in their lives, Gerald and Marcella never lost hope or love for each other. And today, that love continues.

Gerald, who lives on Westminister Avenue in a nearby apartment, rides his motorized scooter to the nursing home twice a day to be with his wife. The couple lived in the apartments together until about one year ago when Marcella moved into the nursing facility.

"Everyone always asks us, 'what is your secret?'" Gerald said.

And to that he always responds, "There is no secret."



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along with other members of the Lorain County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Association will discuss resources available to people wanting to research their family history. Five-generation charts also will be provided for those attending the two-hour program.

"Jeff held genealogy classes at the Metro Parks," Karen Sigsworth said. "They are hoping to repeat it in the spring." Sunday's session at the library would be a good introduction to more extensive research.

Rounding out January's schedule will

be the musical group, Unexpected Party that will entertain the audience with their hammered dulcimers and other early instruments. Many residents remember the group from previous North Ridgeville engagements, including First Night and will enjoy the Sunday afternoon treat, beginning at 2 p.m. on Jan. 18.

The last Sunday of the month will be a special program on North Ridgeville's history and promises to offer a wealth of information on the community's first settlers who arrived from Connecticut in 1810. The Jan. 25 program begins at 2 p.m.

The five Sunday afternoon events

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will revolutionize Ohio."

Wise isn't impressed with Martin's bill, stressing that she doubted he came up with it on his own in just 10 months as state representative.

"That bill was given to him by the

Republican leadership," she said. "They tell you if you run, 'we'll take care of you.' That's the political process."

If Wise wins the Primary Election, she is expected to face Hill in the General Election and she's looking forward to what she said could be "quite a campaign."

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the positive future of North Ridgeville. The result is they become active participants in their own future."

Dr. Charles Norris was unanimously elected to continue as council clerk.

The following are the council committees, with the committee chair listed first.

Administrative-Bob Olesen, Andy Young, Dick Jaenke;
Buildings and Lands-Jaenke, Young, Olesen;

Democrat Eric Schneider of Elyria is slated to run against Hill in March. He could not be reached for comment.

The 57th District includes Avon, Avon Lake, North Ridgeville, the largest part of eastern Elyria, some of Sheffield and most of the townships of Elyria, Columbia, Eaton and Carlisle.

A look at Victorian clothing will be featured, Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. and a fascinating discussion of the Civil War soldier by

North Ridgeville resident and Elyria Municipal Judge John Musson at 2 p.m.

Musson often participates in Civil War re-enactments and said he likes to share his experiences, Sigsworth said. He is also going to show a video of a re-enactment, as well as the uniform he wears.

"We hear people say they haven't been to the library yet," Karen Sigsworth said. "This is something we think would be of interest. Winter is a good time to try this (Sunday programs) and make use of the meeting room. We do quite a bit of children's programs and this is something for all ages."



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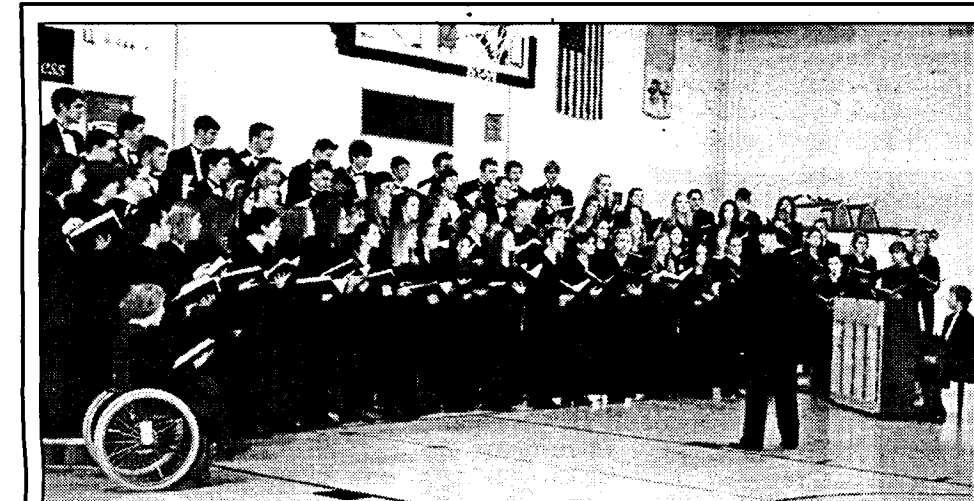
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Taking the show on the road

The holiday season was a busy one for the North Ridgeville High School music department. Just before Christmas vacation, the combined soprano, alto and a cappella choirs performed for students at St. Peter Elementary School. Press & Light photo by Carol Klear

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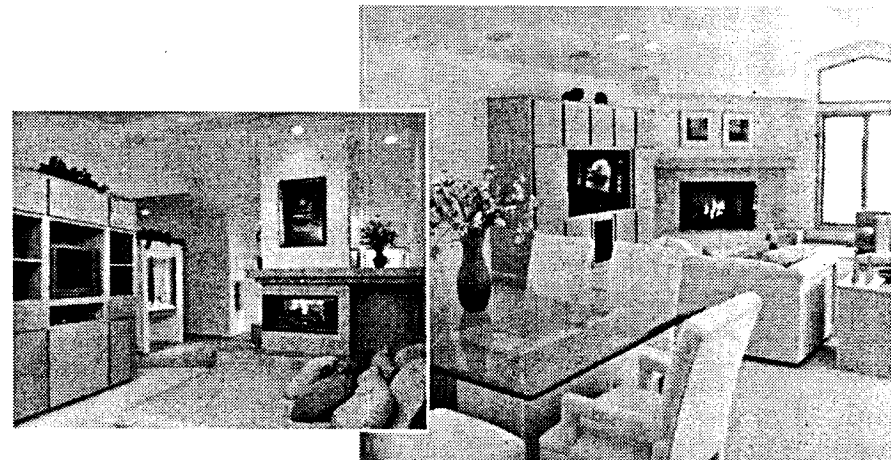
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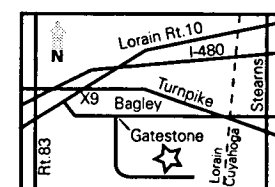
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Sports

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TIME OUT

Flannery's return equals win for LRA

The return of Lake Ridge Academy senior Court Flannery sparked the Royals basketball team to a 60-59 victory at Horizon Science Academy. Flannery, who missed the first five games of the season, as well as the entire soccer season, due to a knee injury, scored a game-high 16 points, shooting 7-for-7 from the free throw line. Flannery also hit one three-pointer.

"Having Court back strengthens our team by adding some more leadership," LRA head coach Patrick Lange said. "Court plays aggressive defense, which causes turnovers, and he is a great shooter who creates a lot of scoring opportunities for us. His performance on the floor guided us to victory."

At the end of regulation, HSA had a chance to tie the game and send it into overtime at the free throw line. HSA was 6-for-6 from the charity stripe until they missed their final attempt, improving LRA to 3-3 for the season.

Sam Maczuzak finished with 13 points for the Royals. Aalap Narichania scored nine points, including one three-pointer. Moudu Frahat scored eight points and hit two triples. Brett Cannaday's six points came on two treys and Asad Butt scored six points. Ian Anderson finished with two points.

"We got down early, but kept our composure and had an outstanding second quarter," Lange said. "We took better care of the ball in the second quarter and played some tough defense that caused some turnovers that led to points for us."

Big game for N.R. girls

The North Ridgeville High School girls basketball team is struggling this year, opening the season with a 0-7 start. Despite having just three seniors, eight varsity players and an extremely short preseason in which a coaching replacement had to be hired, the Lady Royals are managing to play competitive basketball.

Junior Kristy Montgomery (13.3 points) and senior Erin Dowdell (10.6 points) are leading the offense.

Things could turn around for North Ridgeville as they play at Valley Forge (0-8) Saturday at 1 p.m. This is a very important game for the Lady Royals. All fans, classmates and family members should make the trip to show their support.

NRMS wrestling

The North Ridgeville Middle School eighth-grade wrestlers performed well at the W.C. Bolin Invitational last weekend. The Rangers had four champions: Andrew Whalen (104 pounds), Danny McHugh (122), Shane Friend (128) and Derek Lozano (150).

Runner-ups included Kyle Beaune (92) and Mike Wilson (160). Third place finishers were James Mees (98), John Murray (110), Matt Phillips (142) and Jack Motyka (Heavyweight). Bryan Platek (116) finished in fourth place for the Rangers.

Wrestling alumni night

This Friday the NRHS wrestling squad will host their first meet of the season against Brecksville at 7 p.m. The evening will also serve as alumni night for Ranger wrestlers.

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Joe Ostrica

Rangers prepare for battles on the road in 2004

By Joe Ostrica

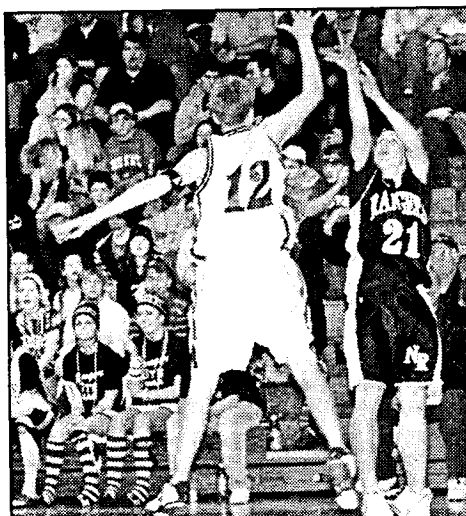
After splitting two games at the DiFranco Tournament, the North Ridgeville High School boys basketball squad had nearly two weeks off to prepare for their game this Friday at Brecksville. North Ridgeville head coach Mark Rechlin said the 13 days off have given him a chance to evaluate the good and the bad of their 3-3 start.

"A third of the season is almost gone and now is the time to adjust what we need to do to improve ourselves," Rechlin said. "We need to ask if everybody is doing what they need to be doing. Is everybody in the right spot? It's a little nice to have this break. We can make an evaluation now and correct some things. We try to do some things that we haven't really had a chance to do in the weeks that we've had games. We really spent a lot of time preparing for certain teams on the schedule. Over break we've been working on individual things. It's almost like an open gym type workout. We split people up in post and perimeter. We've been working on game situations. It's just getting back to improving ourselves."

One specific area Rechlin wants to see his players improve on is their decision-making and ability to act fast during games.

"The biggest thing we need to work on so far is our quick thinking on the basketball court," he said. "That's being able to react to situations and make the correct decisions. A couple of times in games, especially the ones we lost, some of the choices we made weren't smart for us. We need to correct that. That comes from preparation, which is my job, and confidence. We've just got to keep working at that."

The Rangers are looking forward to getting back into action as they face Brecksville (2-3). After opening the season 2-0, the Bees have dropped three straight, losing to Midpark, Normandy and Berea. Berea gave



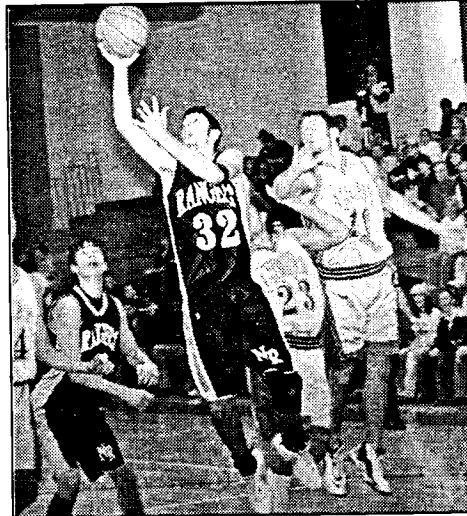
NRHS seniors Ryan Schroeder (left) and Josh Rigsby are combining for 35 points per game. P&L photos by Frank Corsello

Brecksville their biggest loss of the season at 62-45. The Rangers easily handled Berea 62-48 when they hosted the Braves on Dec. 19. Although he respects Brecksville coach Dave Bielak and credits him as being a well-known coach that gets the best out of his kids, Rechlin said this year's team doesn't really have one or two exceptional basketball players like they've had in the past.

"They've got probably five or six guys that can all score six to eight points," Rechlin said. "We've watched them once and we're going to watch them again before we play them."

After beating the Bees 62-48 at home last year, the Rangers suffered their worst loss of the season when Brecksville got revenge in a 68-46 thrashing of the Rangers. Despite handling the Bees fine at home, Rechlin said he hasn't had any luck at Brecksville in the last three years.

"Going to Brecksville has always been really tough for us," he said. "I really don't have a great explanation for that. Their gym is just so vastly different from ours. It's so wide open and the space behind the baskets is enormous. It may be the physical setting of the building or something that we're not used to. Maybe it's because



NRHS seniors Ryan Schroeder (left) and Josh Rigsby are combining for 35 points per game. P&L photos by Frank Corsello

we've always played them at home first in years past. But that's certainly not an excuse.

"We've got to get out there and just play. I know we're capable of beating them. We're looking for it to be a very competitive game with those guys. Hopefully we can prepare ourselves to get out there and play them tough at their place. That's a big game for us."

Another fact the Rangers are going to have to face is nine of their final 14 games are on the road. Just three of their last 11 games of the regular season will be played at home.

"From January to the end of the season will be a long six weeks," Rechlin said. "I think the key to playing on the road is mental toughness. Being able to focus. We try to get the team to thrive on the noise and cheering from the opposing teams' court. You take that in as a positive for you. Our kids will be ready for that. I don't remember any of our teams being intimidated just because we're on somebody else's court."

"I told the team the one advantage, as of now, is two out of our three wins have been away. We're going to have

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Lady Royals split two at Andrews Christmas Tourney

By Joe Ostrica

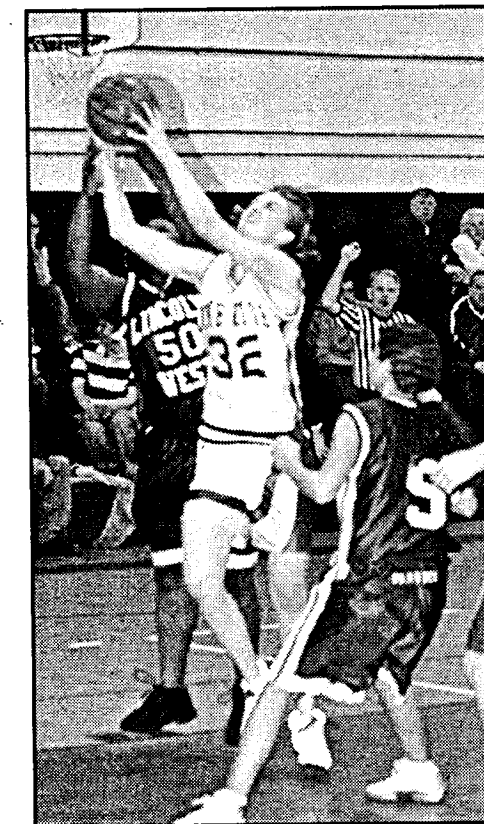
The Lake Ridge Academy girls basketball team split two games at the Andrews Eagle Christmas Tournament over the holiday weekend. After losing to Cornerstone Christian 45-31 in an opening night contest, the Lady Royals bounced back to defeat Health Careers 58-35 in the consolation game to improve to 4-5 overall.

LRA head coach Jim Dispirito said careless ball control was the difference against Cornerstone Christian.

"We played a good first quarter but had way too many turnovers in the second and third quarters," Dispirito said. "We had no trouble with their press, but in the half court we threw the ball away. We were called for numerous traveling calls by our posts and missed shots. In the fourth quarter, we went to a full court man-to-man, which we don't do a lot, and we cut a 25 point deficit to 12 with two minutes to go. We just ran out of steam by the end of the game."

Senior post Morgan Szulewski-Francis finished with 10 points and 11 rebounds. Senior post Jane Limmer and junior guard Yanna Voutsiotis each had six points.

"The amazing stat from this game was our inability to take advantage of all the fouls shots," Dispirito said. "We were 11 of 30 from the foul line. We needed to convert more free throws with the clock stopped and we did not."



Lake Ridge Academy senior Morgan Szulewski-Francis (32) scored 24 points in two games at the Andrews Eagles Christmas Tournament. P&L photo by Frank Corsello

With both of LRA's point guards (Voutsiotis and her freshman sister Alexia) unavailable for their game this

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Boys basketball roundups

The North Ridgeville High School junior varsity boys basketball team won the DiFranco Tournament at Midview over the holiday break. The two victories improved the JV Rangers to 4-2.

Junior Anthony Lavelle scored 29 points and was on fire from outside, hitting 7-of-9 three-point attempts, in the Rangers' 69-57 opening round victory over Midview.

Sophomores Max Rothacker (17 points) and Sean Bunevich (13 points) led NRHS in their 56-41 victory over Amherst in the championship game. Lavelle added nine points against the Comets.

The JV Rangers will travel to Brecksville Friday to take on the Bees at 6 p.m. They return home Jan. 13 to host Normandy.

St. Peter notes

The St. Peter eighth-grade boys basketball team earned a 28-18 win over St. Bernadette Westlake at Avon over the weekend. Tim Ice led all scorers with 10 points and four rebounds. Nick Nelson, Mike Becker, Joe Andulics and Matt Healy added four points each. David Frangella added two points.

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to keep that up. It's not going to be an easy thing. That's just going to be an extra challenge for us. We're going to have to be really determined and get through it."

Another challenge the Rangers will face in 2004 is getting familiar with the new teams in the Pioneer Conference. NRHS will be facing Normandy, Valley Forge, Elyria and Parma for the first time this year. Only Normandy (1-4) is in the Heritage Division with Ridgeville. The Rangers will host them Jan. 13 after they play Brecksville.

"We're going to be playing against teams that we've never played before and going into gyms that we've never been in before," Rechlin said. "That will be challenging also. It's always a little different for players to play against guys they've never seen or heard of before. That just comes down to preparing yourself."

Although seniors Ryan Schroeder (17.8 points per game) and Josh Rigsby (17.2 points per game) are leading the team in scoring, the Rangers have failed to win any games when the two have not combined for 38 or more points. That's two-thirds of the 57 points the Rangers are averaging per game.

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looking for us to continue the progress we have started from the beginning. We will need to get better on defense, improve our shooting and take much better care of the ball. By eliminating mistakes we can really succeed. I have to remember

In Sunday's game at Lorain Catholic, St. Mary Elyria downed St. Peter 53-45. Jayson Graham paced the Saints with 14 points and 14 rebounds while Pat Flanagan added 11 points and five boards. Andulics (10 points, five rebounds), Ice (six points, seven rebounds), Nelson (three points) and Healy (one point) rounded out the scoring. Joe DeCapite helped the Saints out in both contests with quality minutes and some good defensive plays.

The Saints jumped out to a 28-7 half-time lead and never looked back en route to a 50-14 thumping of Rocky River St. Christopher in the Avon Holy Trinity Holiday tournament on Dec. 28.

Frangella and Nelson were high scorers for the Saints with eight points each. Flanagan added seven points and seven rebounds while Ice chipped in six points and 10 boards. Healy (six points, five rebounds) Graham (six points, six rebounds) and Andulics (four points, seven boards) had solid efforts as well. The Saints also got scoring from Becker (one point, five rebounds). Richie Baker returned from an injury and scored four points and grabbed eight rebounds in limited action.

While junior Josh Logan can be counted on for close to 10 points and 10 rebounds a game, the Rangers need someone else to contribute offensively to take the pressure off those three. Senior Andrew Frederick, who is primarily a defensive specialist, took the challenge in the Rangers' last game, a loss to Amherst, and scored a season high eight points. With the free throw shooting he displayed in such a tight contest (6-for-6), Frederick might be taking the ball to the rack a lot more in the future.

"Consistency is important," Rechlin said. "We played four good quarters against Westlake and Berea. We just kept going and going. I really like how well we've been playing defensively, and offensively, for the most part. We need to get more people involved offensively. You've got to go quarter by quarter and half by half and game by game."

"It would be nice to separate yourself from other teams. Our goal is to win this conference. I think we have a good opportunity to get a couple of wins right off the bat against Brecksville and Normandy. Then we face Strongsville and Medina. That's why I think these next two games are pretty critical for us. We have a chance to get two games over .500 and put something together."

that we have five seniors, four juniors, one sophomore and five freshmen. Many of these freshmen are playing some serious varsity minutes. The schedule should aid our development in the second half. Hopefully what we saw from Morgan and Jane on Saturday night will just be the start."

ON DECK

Avon seeks soccer coach

Avon High School will be conducting interviews for a boys varsity soccer coaching position for the 2004 season. Qualified candidates should contact athletic director Stan Hughes at 934-5111 for an application.

Junior Ranger basketball

The N.R. Parks and Recreation Department is now taking signups for its Junior Ranger Basketball program. Games will be played on Saturdays and Sundays from Jan. 10-March 13 for grades 3-6. Cost is \$45 per player and includes a T-shirt. Register at the parks and recreation office Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or call 353-0860.

Charboneau baseball

The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department and former Cleveland Indian Joe Charboneau have teamed up to offer baseball hitting and pitching lessons. Group lessons for players ages 7-18 will be held at NRHS on Saturdays and Sundays, starting Jan. 10. Cost is \$85 per four-week session. To register, call 353-0860.

NRASL spring registration

The North Ridgeville Amateur Soccer League spring registration for boys and girls ages 4-13 will take place Jan. 17 and Jan. 24 from noon-4 p.m. at the North Ridgeville Senior Center. Cost is \$35 per player or \$100 family rate for three or more players. Copy of birth certificate is required.



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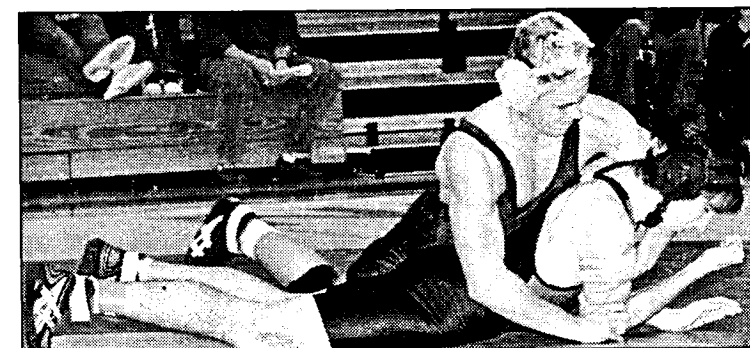
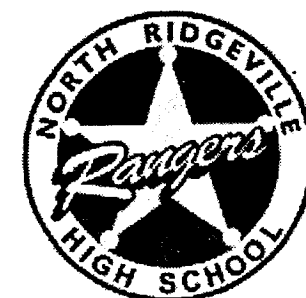
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North Ridgeville's 140-pound wrestler, Ryan Adams (top), pinned Lutheran West's Travis Durand in 1:12 at the Avon Holiday Tournament. Adams has four pins for the Rangers and leads the team with three major decisions. P&L photo by Frank Corsello

Attention North Ridgeville and Lake Ridge Academy Coaches!

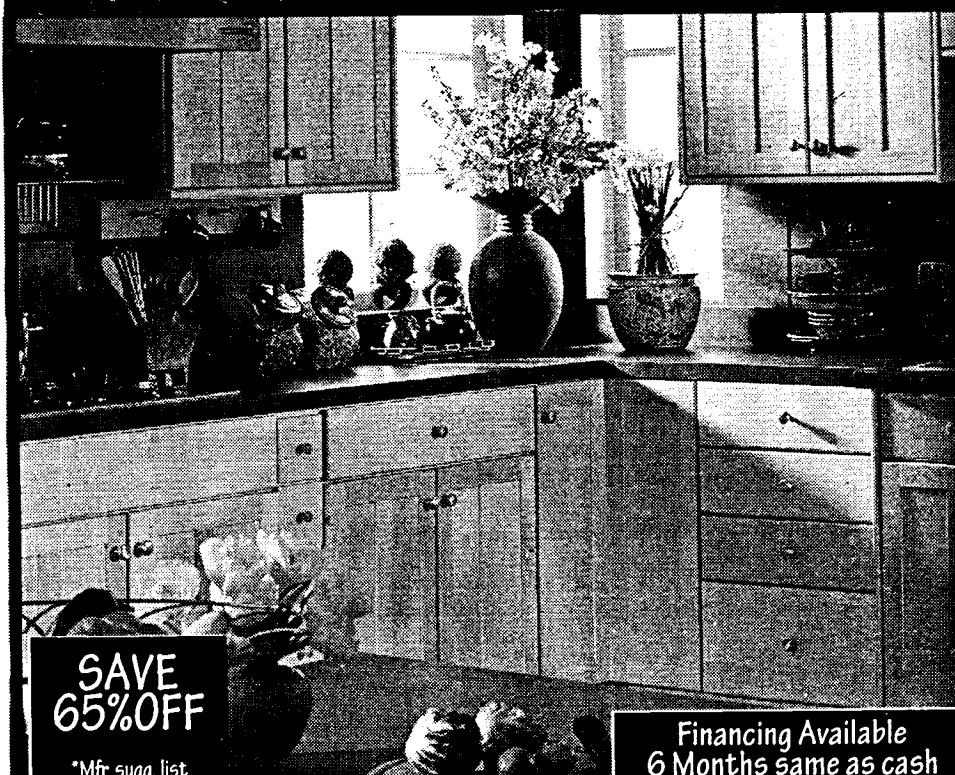
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Tue: Chili cheese fries w/roll or chicken fajita, peas and carrots, pears, milk.

Wed: Turkey stir fry w/rice or mini corn dogs, dinner roll, broccoli, pineapple, milk.

North Ridgeville Elementary

Thur: Turkey w/gravy, dinner roll, whipped potatoes, fruit cocktail, milk.

Fri: Cheeseburger on a bun, green beans, applesauce, milk.

Mon: Pizza, French bread, tater tots, peaches, milk.

Tue: Chili cheese fries, dinner roll, peas and carrots, pears, milk.

Wed: Mini corn dogs, dinner roll, broccoli, pineapple, milk.

St. Peter Catholic School

Thur: Chicken and cheese Philly-style sub or hamburger, orange, sherbet, milk.

Fri: Macaroni and cheese w/fish crunchers and breadstick or cheese pizza, broccoli, Jello, milk.

Mon: Pepperoni pizzas w/dipping sauce or chicken nuggets, fruit, frozen juice bar, milk.

Tue: Cheeseburger bites w/corn muffin or hotdog, mashed potatoes, sweet peas, milk.

Wed: Chicken noodle soup w/crispadora or chicken patty sandwich, pineapple, swirl shape-up, milk.

St. Peter sixth-graders raise money for good cause

Four students at St. Peter School have come together to form "The Care Society" in an effort to raise money for those less fortunate.

Erin Butterbaugh, Morgan Gundlach, Samantha Bogner and Andrea Price worked all summer and into the fall sewing and making crafts to be sold at local craft shows. The money raised from the first show was donated to "Feed the Poor," an international organization feeding hungry children in Asia. Additional dollars raised from a quilt made by Erin Butterbaugh and her sister, Angela, as well as money raised at Lorain's St. Mary's craft show, will be donated to another organization.

The Care Society will also donate proceeds of their projects to Golden Retrievers in Need (GRIN), Community Care and Bal Chandra, an organization helped by St. Peter School. The society has expanded to include younger siblings and friends as junior members who have helped make and sell the crafts. These junior members include: Hallie Barczak, Nick Bogner, Angela Butterbaugh and Bethany Price.



Voice of Democracy awards announced

On Dec. 10, awards were given to winners of the 2003 Voice of Democracy Awards and the Patriot Pen awards, sponsored by the V.F.W. Post 9871 and the Ladies Auxiliary of North Ridgeville. The winner of first place for the Voice of Democracy for all high school students went to Megan Haserodt, of Lake Ridge Academy. Second place went to Erica

Morrison of Avon Lake High School and third place went to Jacquelyn Rigutto of North Ridgeville High School. The winners of the Patriot Pen awards were: first place, Cherie Shanko, of Black River Middle School; second place, Melissa Kory, of St. Peter School and third place, Dan Gardner of St. Peter School.

Advertisement

St. Mary of the Woods Breaks Ground.

An Innovative Retirement Lifestyle Is Taking Shape.

More than 100 future residents and special guests gathered recently for the official groundbreaking ceremony of St. Mary of the Woods, a first-of-its-kind senior living community coming soon to the thriving residential area of Avon.

"Today we begin the journey to create a unique senior living community, a place to be enjoyed for years to come, one that will provide an enriching, secure future for all who live here," said Sister Joseph Marie Zenda, vice president of Franciscan Communities, during the welcoming. Other guest speakers included representatives from Franciscan Sisters of Chicago and Franciscan Communities, sponsors of the development, as well as James A. Smith, mayor of the city of Avon. Father Frank P. Kosem, pastor of St. Jude Parish in Elyria blessed the ground.

Following the ceremony, Donna D'Amico, St. Mary of the Woods marketing director said, "With our groundbreaking ceremony complete, construction is scheduled to begin soon. Past experience tells us once activity starts on the site, interest in St. Mary of the Woods increases dramatically."



St. Mary of the Woods marketing staff from left to right, Diane Calire, Donna D'Amico and Laura Dales.

St. Mary of the Woods is transforming 23 beautiful wooded acres into a sprawling neighborhood surrounded by outdoor shopping venues and new homes. Soon, three-story apartment buildings and roomy commons areas will complement this exceptional location. These spacious, modern residences and state-of-the-art community areas will be nestled amongst scenic walking trails. Within a serene environment, residents of St. Mary of the Woods will enjoy a lifestyle emphasizing wellness and personal growth, providing additional peace of mind for the future.

As a Continuing Care Retirement Community, St. Mary of the Woods provides an important difference from a traditional retirement community — priority access to on-site assisted living and nursing care, if ever needed to our independent living residents. One future resident noted, "Not only have I secured an exciting lifestyle, I put a plan in place for my future health care needs. In its peace of mind I couldn't find anywhere else in the area."

VISIT THE ST. MARY OF THE WOODS INFORMATION CENTER.

Experience this one-of-a-kind lifestyle at St. Mary of the Woods by visiting our Information Center. In one place, you can view a scale model of the community, review detailed architectural plans and floor plans, and begin to see how the future of retirement living is being redefined at St. Mary of the Woods. "People really get the



From left to right, Mayor James A. Smith, Father Frank P. Kosem, and Sister Diane Marie Collins participate in the ceremonial turning of the earth.

chance to experience what St. Mary of the Woods will be like at our Information Center," said D'Amico. "Once visitors understand the benefits and completely risk-free opportunity of reserving their apartment now, they become very excited about the possibilities of living here."

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TOWN CRIER

Thursday

9 a.m. Women's breakfast-Senior Center.

6:30-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting class-Senior Center multi-purpose room.

8-9 p.m. Al Anon-New Life Community Church, 34100 Center Ridge Road.

Friday

9:30-11 a.m. On Target Fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room.

Noon, Rotary Club-Senior Center.

1 p.m. Support Group for the Visually Impaired-Westlake Senior Center, 29694 Center Ridge Road.

7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-St. John West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium B. Call Gloria at 327-9492 or Kay at 960-5384/info.

Saturday

9-11:30 a.m. On Target Fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room.

pose room.
11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate-Safety Building.

Sunday

9 a.m.-noon Country breakfast-Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 9871.

Monday

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft group and quilting-Senior Center.

7 p.m. Baseball-Softball Boosters meeting-Parks and rec office.

7:30 p.m. VFW #9871 Ladies Aux. meeting-at the Post.

Tuesday

7-8 a.m. Kiwanis-Community Care.

9:30-11 a.m. On Target Fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room.

1-4 p.m. Senior Center-Watercolor class.

6:30-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting class-Senior Center multi-purpose room.

7 p.m. TOPS Club #656-N.R. Baptist Church, 5400 Lear Road.

7 p.m. Planning commission meeting-Council chambers.

7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Road, Elyria. Call Kay at 960-5384 or Gloria at 327-9492/info.

7:30 p.m. Pre-School PTA-North Ridgeville Middle School cafeteria.

7:30 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's County Council meeting-at the Post.

Wednesday

9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Quilting, cards, lunch, bingo, watercolor class-Senior Center.

5-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate-Safetyville Building.

7:30 p.m. Baseball/Softball League- Park and rec office.

7:30 p.m. Band Boosters-North Ridgeville Middle School band room.

8 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's Meeting-at the Post.

LIFESTYLES

Ohio Dance Theatre classes

Ohio Dance Theatre is currently registering new students for the Winter 2004 term. Classes will be held at the Stocker Arts Center at Lorain County Community College. A creative dance class will engage children ages 3-4 in exploration of movement while making new friends and adjusting to the classroom atmosphere. A dance fundamentals class for children ages 5-6 will offer a more structured environment that begins to focus on coordination and the learning of basic dance steps

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A full schedule of classes will be offered at the Ohio Dance Theatre's Oberlin location. For more information, call (440) 774-6077.

Seniors trip to Atlantic City

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), through the Lorain County Office on Aging, will host a trip to Atlantic City, New Jersey, from March 29-31. The trip includes round-trip bus

transportation, two nights of accommodations at Ballys Park Place, a casino bonus and all applicable taxes and baggage handling. The price is \$165 per person for a double, \$161 per person for a triple and \$234 for a single. The bus will depart from the Elyria Holiday Inn south parking lot. There is a \$50 deposit per person due by Jan. 26. Call 326-4804 to RSVP.

Singing Angels auditions

Singing Angels has openings for new members. Auditions will be held Jan. 10

from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 3615 Euclid Ave., Cleveland. Auditions are open to any girl age 8-14 or boy, 8-16. Children should come prepared to sing a song of their choice without accompaniment. No appointment is necessary for the audition.

The Angels are also holding auditions for pianists to provide musical accompaniment for the chorus during performances and rehearsals.

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IN THE SERVICE

Mlinko graduates from basic training

Army Pvt. Elisabeth R. Mlinko has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

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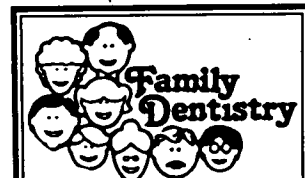
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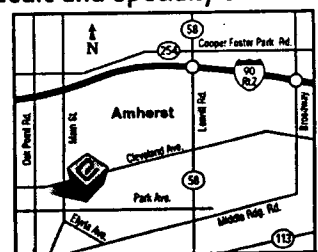
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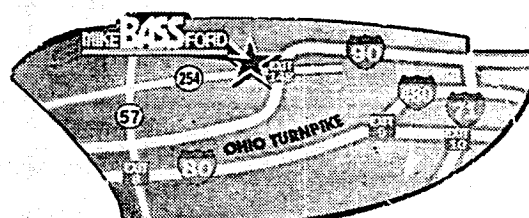
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