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## This Week:

### Weather Permitting

Today through Sept. 6, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Race and Maddock Roads will be closed, from Center Ridge to Sugar Ridge roads for repair of railroad tracks, as requested by Norfolk Southern Corporation. Roads will open to local traffic only.

### Fall Festival in Avon

Don't miss the annual Country Living and Antique Fall Festival in Avon Sept. 8, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sept. 9 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the French Creek District.

### Celebrating Artists

A Bella Gallery - "Experience Art with Attitude" - on Front Street in Berea will open its exhibit Sept. 7 at 7:30 p.m. and continue through Oct. 6. One of the artists featured is NRHS art teacher, Sean Crum.

### Public Meeting on CHIP

There will be a public meeting Sept. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 7307 Avon Belden Rd., to explain the FY 2001 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) Grant. Guidelines, target areas, eligibility requirements and applications will be explained.

## In Brief:

### Book Signing

Joyce Kubik, AD/HD coach and skills trainer will present and sell her planners at Borders Books in Westlake, Sept. 21 and 22. For more information about Kubik's program, call 440-933-8309.

### Mexican Fiesta Planned

Bob Olesen, Republican candidate for 4th Ward Council will host a Mexican Fiesta Fundraiser, Sept. 29 at the North Ridgeville Senior Center, from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and are available by calling 327-2705. Olesen encourages those attending to offer suggestions on priority issues at the fundraiser.

### Calling All Poets

The newly founded Lorain County Poets League will hold an organizational meeting Sept. 20 at 7 p.m. in room 115 of the University Center Building at Lorain County Community College. Anyone interested should contact Lou Suarez, professor of English at LCCC, 366-7115.

### Polka Party at SEAS

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will hold a Polka Party, Oct. 7 beginning with pre-Mass at 10:40 a.m., polka Mass at 11 a.m., kielbasa/kraut dinner at 12:30 p.m. and polka dance from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Just 250 tickets will be sold. Call 440-236-8564 for more information.

## September's here, school's in session

By Carol Klear

The first day of school in North Ridgeville got off to an "exceptionally smooth start," said Superintendent Tom Rockwell, and having Bainbridge Road useable this year added to the delight. "It's a fine roadway," he said.

The new sidewalks on either side of the street aid the bus situation, as well, allowing students who live within one-half mile to walk to school, improving access to Wilcox and the high school.

Rockwell commended the transportation and maintenance departments, as well as the teachers for getting everything up and running for the first day.

School Board President Tom Dake echoed Rockwell's comments, adding that despite the age of the district's middle school, the custodians got it in "great shape."

### NRHS on the first day of school

By the 7:45 a.m. start time at Tuesday, just about every North Ridgeville High School student was inside, and the parking lot was nearly deserted with the exception of Rose Taubler who was driving up and down the aisle in a golf cart checking for cars with lights left on or kids who are trying to duck out, or perhaps spotting something amiss which is reported immediately. This is Taubler's second year on the job and most of the kids fondly refer to her as "The Golf Cart Lady."

Inside the high school's front door, the display case is spit-spot shiny and houses a Ranger jacket, several trophies and a number of placards advertising the various extra-curricular available at NRHS, like drama, choir, band and Honor Society.

Most of the 1,100 students are in assigned classrooms, while a couple of vol-



Liberty Principal Karen Frimel and Assistant Superintendent David Livingston greeted Liberty students as they got off the bus the first day of school.

unteers like senior Jerry Lightner deliver the year's planners from room to room. The planners contain so much vital information for the high school students that Principal Patricia Bahr refers to them as "little lifelines."

Five or six students wait in the cafeteria, hoping to receive schedules before the day is over. Sierra Pierson, an open enrollment student from North Olmsted, was waiting to be released from her previous school. Bahr said that the district couldn't accept students from other systems until the former schools

release them.

Mike Deulley lives in Elyria, but his parents transferred him from that school district to North Ridgeville last year. This year he is a freshman at NRHS, but due to a temporary snafu, his schedule wasn't ready on the first day of school.

Some students who happen to be in the hall for whatever reason stop to look at the baby photos that decorate one display case.

See *First Day* on pg. 15

## TOPS project gets boost from School Board

By Carol Klear

It's been nearly 10 months since representatives from TOPS Markets Inc. received the necessary approval from the Planning Commission and Zoning Board that would add a TOPS supermarket and other retail development to the landscape on Center Ridge Road at Lear Nagle.

Though discussions have been quiet recently, the proposal is still firmly rooted in the site and during the Aug. 28 School Board meeting another definitive step toward getting the project underway was realized when board members supported a tax increment financing (TIF) ordinance, that will approve a 100 percent real property tax exemption not to exceed 15 years.

Superintendent Thomas Rockwell thanked Mayor Deanna Hill for her effort in working out the agreement and helping the schools toward a "subsequent benefit" that would not have been available.

Presently the city and school district enjoy a partnership that allows city officials to abate taxes on certain properties with the school's blessing. In exchange for the tax relief the city pays the school district a percentage of the income tax revenue, and asks school officials' approval of property tax exemptions in abatement programs. The TIF agreement is an amendment to and an extension of the earlier arrangement, and is

expected to "enhance future property values and future tax collections."

According to Biagio Sidoti, treasurer for the North Ridgeville City Schools, the new agreement "is similar but different" from the tax abatement pact between the two. Under both scenarios, he said, tax is deferred, however in abatement the schools give up the property tax and the city pays the school district 50 percent of the income tax revenue, minus an administrative fee.

Under the TIF proposal, said Sidoti, TOPS will still pay taxes, however the school will not receive a share, but rather the tax dollars will go toward the capital improvements necessary. In the specific proposal for the supermarket and retail development, public infrastructure improvements, such as sewers, are mandatory, and the taxes will go toward those improvements.

In prior meetings TOPS representatives said they had been eying North Ridgeville for two years as a place to construct a new store. However, said Sidoti, the city cannot afford to finance the improvements, which is where TIF comes in. The tax revenue will go into the improvements.

It's a winning formula for both the city and the schools, said Sidoti and like Rockwell credited the Mayor with the initiative to work out the resolution.

Following the meeting Hill said that TIF

is a new form of financing that is being used across the state, including Sheffield Village.

With the dollars paid, "the improvements are put in and we oversee it," she said. Initially it was hoped that the bend in Lear Nagle at Center Ridge could be eliminated in conjunction with the TOPS project, however, last week Hill said it would have been too costly. There will be a turning lane at the intersection that will boost the traffic flow in the area.

The Mayor also said that the original idea of adding a gasoline station on the property has been scrapped, but there will be retail outlets, as well as a restaurant, which at this time, she was not permitted to identify.

The entire project demonstrates "cooperation between the city and the company and the schools," said Hill. In addition she said, the city has applied for a \$400,000 economic development grant. Though there has been no word yet, Hill said she is hopeful the city will receive the money.

In short, said Hill, the school district supported the proposal, the process continues with council's approval of the TIF ordinance, which is expected to be ready for the second meeting in September. With the state grant approved, work can begin on the infrastructure.

TOPS is scheduled to open in the fall, of 2002, she said.

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## Board votes 2-2 on amendments; Secretary of State to break tie

By Carol Klear

The meeting was scheduled for 2:30, but it was nearly 5 Thursday afternoon when the Lorain County Board of Elections began hearing the issue of whether or not three proposed charter amendments, minus the emergency clause, will go on the Nov. 6 ballot. Less than 20 minutes later the four board members, two Democrats and two Republicans split their vote, sending the issue to the Secretary of State to break the tie.

Former Mayor Dick Noll, who chaired the Charter Review Committee made no secret of his reaction to the decision. "I think they were totally out of line," he said, "I'm disgusted with the attitude along party lines."

None of those objecting to putting the amendments on the ballot were present and Law Director Eric Zagrans outlined the situation for the board, noting that the challenge was based on the lack of emergency on three of the six proposed amendments.

Zagrans explained that the Charter Review Committee submitted its recommendations to council on time, as mandated by the charter and cited the section that states, "The Council shall submit to the electors any such proposed alterations, revisions or amendments to the Charter..." Zagrans noted that of the six proposed amendments, council adopted three without the emergency. The intent was "purely political in nature," he said.

He stressed that despite the lack of the emergency, the legislation would be enacted in 30 days, "long before the election," adding that the situation would be different

if the election were held before the 30 days had elapsed.

Referring to the Aug. 3 letter, committee members sent to council, Noll noted that "...we were not appointed to express a particular point of view..." Prior to the Charter Review meetings, there had been allegations that Mayor Deanna Hill had handpicked committee members to ensure her ideas would be followed.

North Ridgeville resident Joseph Antush told the board he disagrees with Zagrans' contention that the proposed amendments had been submitted on time. "They needed the emergency clause," he said.

Assistant County Prosecutor Gerald Innis told board members, "It's been a practice to defer to the counsel of the city...the local law director has the most expertise."

Board member Anthony Giardini made a motion to deny the petition and put all six amendments on the ballot. Chairman Tom Smith added his second, however Robert Rousseau suggested putting three on the Nov. 6 ballot and the other three to a vote in May.

Zagrans objected, "That violates the charter, they must go on the ballot in the next General Election."

Rousseau and John Blevins voted to keep the amendments off the ballot, while Smith and Giardini voted against the request.

The Secretary of State must break the tie. According to James Lee of the Secretary's office, there is no set time limit to decide the issue, however Lee said, "The Secretary is sensitive to deadlines in an election," and promised that North Ridgeville voters will know well in advance of Nov. 6 which charter amendments will be on the

ballot. Following the meeting Councilwoman Gail Minnick R-4, who voted against adding the emergency to three of the amendments, said she is for people's right to vote, however, she also feels council should have the right of "input." She also objects to some of

the wording, and said, "The ordinances need to be tweaked." Councilman Dave Gillock, R-at-large was surprised at the outcome of the amendments and said, "from what I've been told the Election Board tends to go along with what the local law director rules."

## Trying to make it more 'Convenient'

By Carol Klear

Balikey Ltd., owner of Convenient at the corner of Center Ridge and Barton roads is making plans to install a gasoline facility and a canopy on the property, as well as widen the approach for in and out traffic.

In a special Planning Commission meeting, Aug. 27, Robert Hirtz, representing Con-Hirtz Inc. explained the request to widen the entrance off Center Ridge Road; commission member Bob Olesen questioned the advisability of allowing traffic to turn west from the driveway. Presently vehicles enter off Center Ridge and exit onto Barton.

Hirtz noted that the Marathon station at the corner of Center Ridge and Mills Creek has four entrances. He also said that a wider entrance is needed to "move traffic" and get the tankers in and out.

Resident and former Planning Commission member Jon Hepp said that previously there had not been a traffic light at the intersection of Center Ridge and

Barton. The light which helps the flow. Commission member Dave Gillock said that other drivers are more apt to allow vehicles at onto Barton.

Chief Building Inspector Guy Fursdon suggested that if the pavement were marked, people might pay attention to the traffic direction, however, he questioned who would enforce it.

Assistant Law Director Toni Morgan said, "It is something to be enforced, it can be."

Olesen expressed concern about getting out onto Barton with the gasoline pumps there. "I don't want to go through the auto tellers to get back onto Barton," he said. He also stated his worry about drivers exiting onto Center Ridge to go west.

The Commission voted 3-0, with Paul Butkowsk and Ron Schwachenwald absent, to approve the request with the stipulation that the Board of Zoning Appeals approves the necessary variances.

A special Zoning Board meeting is scheduled for Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. to consider the request.

## Service News:

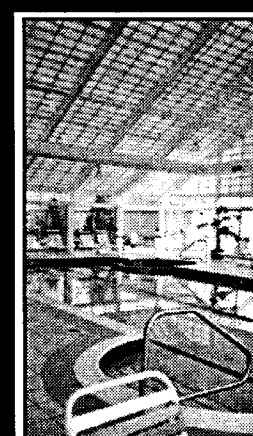
Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Patrick D. Wilbert, son of Robin Hostack of 5829 Deborah Drive, North Ridgeville, Ohio and David P. Wilbert of 177 Hemlock Drive, Elyria, Ohio, recently visited Cannes, France while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the Navy fast combat support ship USS Arctic, homeported in Earle, NJ.

While in Cannes, Wilbert had the opportunity to experience Bastille Day festivities, including fireworks, parades, parties and receptions. Arctic Sailors also had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the local culture and cuisine.

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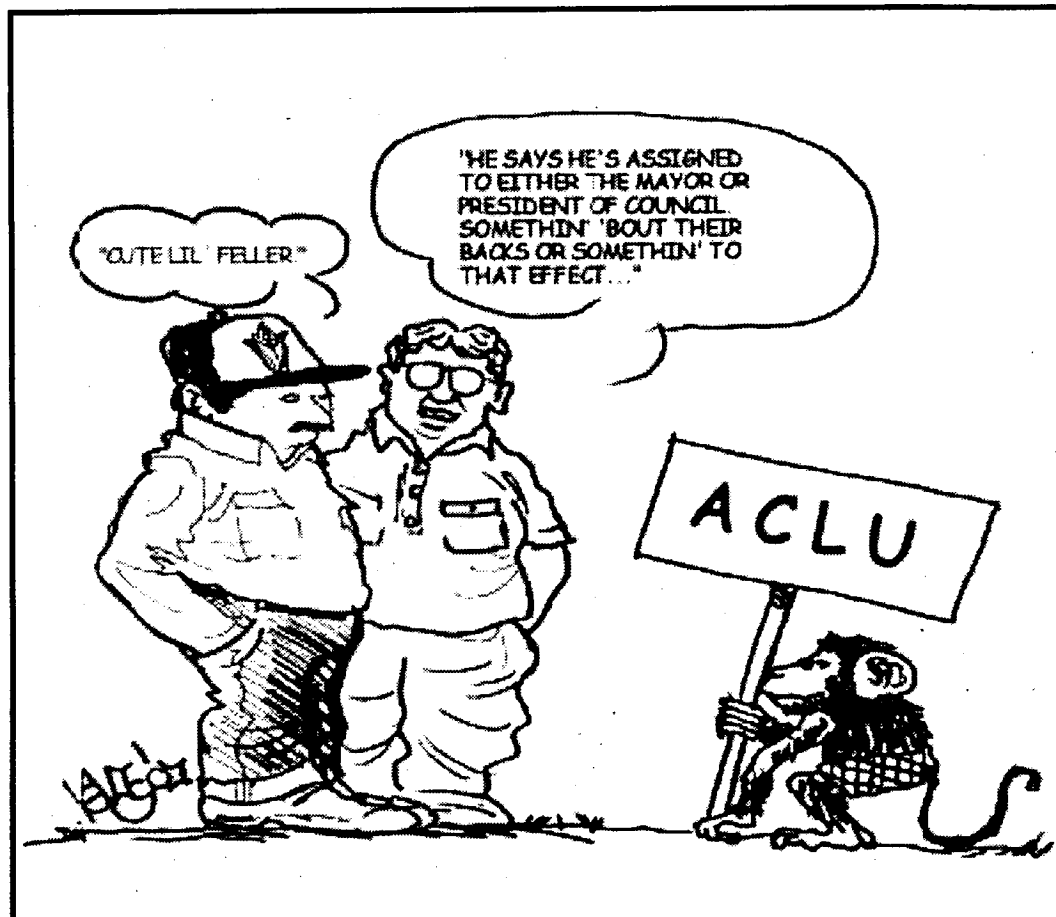
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## Press &amp; Light



## Candidate hosts fund-raiser

## To the Editor:

Much talk has occurred of late regarding the subject of campaign finance reform. The basic problem of course is that it takes a great deal of money for candidates both national, state and local to get their message across to the voters. Even in a city the size of North Ridgeville, with over 8,000 households, the cost is very high.

We have instances where campaign funds are received in a various number of ways, some of which are very questionable if not downright illegal. But I wish to focus on North Ridgeville and not the state or national scene.

Our local candidates, and there are 14 of them, are all trying to raise funds to help get elected. Should they accept funds from individuals or firms that do business with the city? Most of us would say no, but that is where the easy money is. Should they fund their campaigns from their personal funds? Probably doable for some, but not for all. So, just where should their funds come from?

Well, it depends. Do you want honest, unencumbered elected officials? Are you willing to pay to make sure this happens or will you default to the big money interests?

In the coming months, local candidates will be hosting fund-raisers to get the necessary money to get their messages across. One such event is being held by the Committee to Elect Josanne Pagel as 3rd Ward Councilman.

On Sunday, Sept. 30, the committee is holding a stuffed cabbage dinner at the Office for Older Adults. The cost is \$12.50 per person. For further information, you can contact the undersigned, Mrs. Pagel or any member of her committee. Not only will Josanne be in attendance but also the three Republican at-large candidates. This will be a perfect opportunity to meet these people and to find out what their positions are on matters affecting our city. It is also a break from cooking for that certain someone.

Vincent T. Farrell

## Thanks from Lions

## To the Editor:

The North Ridgeville Lions Club would like to thank all of our wonderful sponsors for helping to make this year's 5K/10K run an enormous success. Companies like Invacare, EMH Regional Medical Center, TravelCenters of America, Beckett Corp., Armbruster Family Service Stations, David Bogner Family Funeral Home, Hovey Kaiser Ste. Marie Insurance, and John Coburn Associates have each helped us over several years. Their continued support makes this a great fund-raiser for the charitable work of our club.

We would also like to express our gratitude

to the members of the press, the Sugar Ridge Baptist Church, the police department, the park and rec department, the fire department, and the mayor's office for their continued support.

Last but not least, we acknowledge all the hard working Lions members and their families who put on this fantastic event every year. Thank you all. (www.NorthRidgevilleLions.com)

Mark A. Page

North Ridgeville Lions Club

## Thanks from Band Boosters

## To the Editor:

The North Ridgeville Band Boosters would like to thank the many people who patronized the band's dunking booth during the Corn Festival. With everyone's help the band was able to raise approximately \$2,000 to be spent throughout the school year in support of band students in grades five through 12. A big thank you to all the band students and parents who volunteered their time that weekend.

Thanks also goes to the following folks who spent some time "in the tank" in support of our efforts: school board members Tom Duke and Ross Mitchell, and NRHS Varsity Soccer Coach Dan Blagojevic.

Congratulations to the Corn Festival Committee for a successful weekend and a great parade for the City of North Ridgeville. The Band Boosters look forward to another exciting year of great performances by our students!

Kathy Bly

North Ridgeville Band Boosters

## Car wash successful

## To the Editor:

The North Ridgeville "Ranger" Marching Band would like to thank all the local citizens who participated in our recent car wash. Band students manned four different locations throughout North Ridgeville on Aug. 18 and were able to wash 236 cars - despite threatening weather. The students were able to raise over \$1,000 in donations, and will also benefit from "per car" pledge money promised by friends and families.

Many thanks to the four local businesses who donated their location, water and support: VFW #9871, Dairy Queen, North Ridgeville Tire Center and Butternut Corners Market. With the help of these businesses, our band is closer to our goal of purchasing new marching band uniforms.

Thanks!

North Ridgeville Ranger Marching Band

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## Clearly Speaking:

## NR patrolman nabs another drinker/driver

By Carol Klear

GOOD JOB, PATROLMAN.... According to an item in the latest issue of the "Hot Sheet News," Patrolman Joshua Riley of the North Ridgeville Police Dept. arrested Robert Bianca, 38, for his 6th DUI offense. Riley stopped Bianca for weaving and later tested .178 BAC.

IT'S TRUE....Hard to believe, but summer's over and fall and winter are edging closer. But don't worry, the Ohio Department of Development has just put out an Ohio Travel Planner and Ohio Calendar of Events crammed full of neat ideas of things to do and places to go. To get the 95-page, color planner, call 1-800-BUCK-EYE or log on to www.OhioTourism.com, which is a re-designed web site...and have a great time.

BY THE WAY.... Check out some of the site's new features like Search Ohio, Visitor Information, Kids' Stuff/GOAL and a monthly contest in which visitors can win a variety of prizes, including weekend getaways...gosh, I think I've just talked myself into this one. See you later (gotta give this site a look see).

## IF YOU CAN'T GET AWAY....

If vacation's over and you can't trek away from Ridgeville, treat yourself to a drive from east to west, or west to east along Bainbridge Road...ah, at last, the bumps have been bumped out and the long, black stretch is smoother than smooth. The long wait was worth it (just ask school officials).

ANOTHER UPDATE....The Mills Creek Marathon Station was closed for a couple of weeks to install new pumps and a few other things, well, it's open now and looking very good.

JOY-FUL REQUEST.... Project Joy is looking for a few good volunteer artists, so if you play an instrument and like to perform, call them at 323-2777. And if you happen to have a used band instrument or two, Project Joy would love to have them for disadvantaged children in the Lorain County Schools.

WAS THAT REALLY?.... After the short BOE meeting last Tuesday, I hustled home and plopped in front of the TV to watch the Tribe trounce the Red Sox. As the camera panned the fans, I thought I saw...not sure now...John Komperda, principal of Middle School. It was such a split-second look that maybe he just has a twin out there in Tribe-land.

CONDOLENCES.... Gene Eckenfels died last week. Though Gene was active in several areas, we will miss his smile and pleasant welcome at events held at Melody Grove. Our condolences to his family.

## Traffic delay

Safety Service Director Jim Johnson announced that Chestnut Ridge Road and Exit 152 ramp under the Ohio Turnpike would be reduced by one lane, with the use of temporary traffic signals. Lorain Road, under the Ohio Turnpike, also will be restricted to one lane in each direction.

Construction by S.E. Johnson Company is due to begin on or about Sept. 10 and will continue for approximately eight months.

City officials apologize for any inconvenience caused and thank you for your co-operation.

## Letters from pg. 5

## Betty Blair's Bulletin Board

To the Editor:  
 \* The Importance of Family

Throughout our lives, we are part of many different and varied families: the family we are born into; the family we go to school with; the family we work with; the family we marry into; the family that our children are a part of and the family of the community in which we live.

Helen Steiner Rice, Poet Laureate from Lorain, Ohio, has said that nothing in life is yours. It is either learned or borrowed from someone else. We are fortunate to have all of these wonderful "families" from which to borrow and learn.

## \* Congratulations

Lorain County Community College (LCCC) on the dedication of the Patsie C. Campana, Sr. Engineering and development Center, home of GLIDE (Great Lakes Incubator for Development Enterprises). Through a unique collaboration with the Lorain County Commissioners, the Lorain County Chamber of Commerce and LCCC, GLIDE offers day to day business support and technology training for entrepreneurs.

Jim Cockingham, Executive Director of the Northeast Ohio Software Association, says, "The vision that they (LCCC and Lorain County) have is ahead of any place in Northeast Ohio that I've seen. They have decided this is important, had input from the community have decided aggressively that this is where they're going."

## Supreme Court dismisses suit against city

By Carol Klear

City officials got the good news last week that the Ohio Supreme Court voted 6-1 to dismiss the suit filed against the city by members of STAMP (Stop Abusing the Master Plan) challenging the preliminary approval of two planned community developments, Meadow Lakes and Waterbury. The action paves the way for the PCDs to continue.

In May the Supreme Court also dismissed legal action by STAMP attorney, Gerald Phillips, based on his contention

that the PCD notations on the zoning map were illegal and asked that they be removed.

Mayor Deanna Hill said she is "gratified" that the Supreme Court has supported the city's position, on both points - that the city's response was filed on time and that the two ordinances were "validly adopted as emergency measures and are not the proper subject of a referendum."

Just short of acknowledging that this may be the end of the road for fighting the city over residents' right to vote on the PCDs, Phillips said, "This may be the straw

that broke the camel's back. They (administration) wear the citizens groups down so deep pockets will prevail."

STAMP Chairman John Prajzner expressed disappointment over the Supreme Court's decision and said, "I hope we don't come to an end." There is still a hearing in Lorain Common Pleas Court, however it's set for Oct. 30, which may be too late to get the issue to voters in the General Election.

"I think they did it on purpose," said Prajzner.



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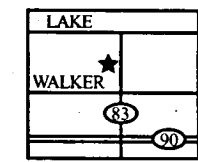


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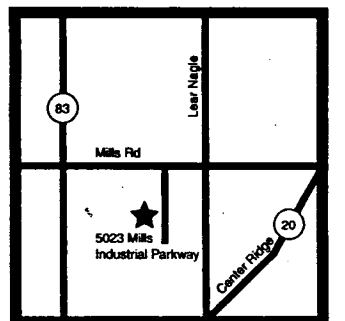
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## ROUND-UP

## Saints get first win of year

The St. Peter's Saints defense rose to the occasion time after time as it shut out a larger, more physical St. Ambrose team, 8-0.

The Saints evened their record at 1-1.

Leading the defense were Danny Accorti, Joey Andulics, Matt Healy and Jayson Graham, who recorded four tackles behind the line of scrimmage.

St. Peter's got on the board when Pat Flanagan four Richie Baker with a 10 yard pass that turned into a 40 yard run to the end zone. Flanagan then hit Jeff Hammond in the corner of the end zone for the two point conversion.

That's when the defense went to work. Highlighted by a fourth quarter stop in the red zone, which turned possession back over to the Saints, whose offense ran out the clock.

Kyle Koberna, Tim Ice, Ryan Dixon, Colin McConville, Tom O'Mally, Sean Harnish, Chris Taljan, Andy Mahall and Bryan Dowdell also turned in great performances.

"We lost our quarterback in the third quarter with an injury and we really had to go into a conservative offense, but with the way our defense was moving to the ball, I was pretty confident we could hold them out of the end zone," Doug Graham, the coach of the fifth and sixth grade CYO team said.

## Baker now up to fourth place in pro stock points

Carl Baker's big week in Norwalk at the Mopar Parts World Nationals

vaulted him all the way up to fourth place in points in the Sunoco Fuels Pro Stock drag racing division.

Baker, of North Ridgeville, was in seventh place heading into the Nationals, the seventh stop on the circuit this year. But he won the special Shootout, featuring the top eight point leaders, then finished second in the regular event behind point leader Gene Wilson. It was the first time all season that Baker managed to race into the finals. His previous best finish was making it to the semi-finals.

Baker has 545 points. Wilson leads with 965 points; Tom Lee is second with 756 points and Ron Miller is third with 666 points. Right behind Baker is Brian Gahm with 544 points.

Baker's next event is Sept. 7 through Sept. 9 at the North American Nationals in Epping, New Hampshire.

## Reptiles, amphibians to be studied on hike

The Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a Reptiles and Amphibians Wetland Hike on Sept. 29 from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Sandy Ridge Reservation.

Interested parties can learn what makes these two classes of animals unique and special as well as get a close up view of some of them.

The program is free for ages seven through adult. Children need to be accompanied by an adult in order to attend.

Register by calling the Parks and Recreation office at 353-0860.

## 'I can cope' series scheduled for LCCC

The American Cancer Society, EMH Regional Medical Center, Community Health Partners, and Lorain County Community College have joined together to present I Can Cope - A Series of Educational Classes for People Facing Cancer.

The classes are held on four consecutive Thursdays beginning Sept. 13, from 6 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. at Lorain County Community College, College Center Room 228.

The I Can Cope series will provide factual, straightforward cancer information and answers to questions about: human anatomy, how cancer develops, diagnosis and treatment, side effects of treatment and many more practical hints and encouragement for living with cancer.

There is no charge for attending these classes but registration is required. Please call the American Cancer Society at 440-324-2211 or 440-233-5216 to register.

## Red Cross offers babysitting course

The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter will offer Babysitting Basics courses, Sept. 8 and Sept. 15 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day at the American Red Cross Chapter in Elyria.

Babysitting Basics, targeted for 11 through 15 year olds, teaches ideas for fun and games, infant and young childcare, safety and infant and child first aid. With a new school year beginning, this course is excellent preparation for young people who will be spending time alone or with younger siblings after the school day. Participants must attend both sessions to receive American Red Cross Babysitting certification. Course cost is \$30 and includes a textbook and first aid kit.

All students must pre-register for the course by either mailing in or dropping off payment to the American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria, OH 44035. Class size is limited, so register soon. No walk-ins the first day of the course will be accepted. For more information call 324-2929.

## Lions Club sponsors 3rd Annual Dog Walk

Sept. 22 marks the date of the third annual Dog Walk to benefit Paws with a Cause, sponsored by the North Ridgeville Lions Club. The event will be held at the Bur Oak Reservation Metro Park in Elyria at 9:30 a.m. Dogs and their owners are asked to solicit "sponsors" among their friends and family members for the walk and turn the sponsorships and donations in to the Lions Club the morning of the walk. There is no registration fee for any dog or owner with a donation.

The dog and owner who bring in the most donations will win airfare for a trip for two to anywhere in the continental USA on Southwest Airlines. Other door prizes, gifts, and raffles are available for all dogs and owners. Paws with a

Cause is a leading developer and trainer organization for "helper dogs" in the Ohio and Michigan area; these dogs are trained to help specific clients that have a variety of disabilities and challenges. The cost of training each dog is well beyond what most clients might be able to pay, so groups like the Lion Club help with the funding to support clients in our region.

The North Ridgeville Lions Club is part of District 13-B of Lions Clubs International, the largest service club association in the world, with over 1.4 million members around the world. For more information, contact Lion Julie Teel at 440-327-6877 or visit the club's web site www.northridgevillelions.com.

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Brittney, Age 12, discussing the Salvation Army.

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## Obituaries:

## WILLIAM BLAZINA

William Blazina, 71, of North Ridgeville, died Aug. 25 at his home following a long illness.

He was born in Lorain and had been a resident of North Ridgeville since 1972 moving from Avon Lake.

Mr. Blazina served in the United States Army during the Korean War.

He worked as a supervisor of shipping and receiving at General Industries in Elyria where he had worked for 45 years retiring in 1995.

He was a guitarist in Trios and Black Tie Big Bands and was a member of the American Federation of Musicians Local 147. He also taught music at the Al Theery Music Center in Lorain and Avon Lake Music Center.

He loved spending time with his family and bowling. Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Patricia J. (nee Carlson), three daughters, Judy Ann Tracey of North Ridgeville, Nancy Kay Keller of Elyria, Sue Wesley Anderson of Elyria; eight grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; one brother; one half-brother and three sisters.

He was preceded in death by a brother; a grandson; and his parents.

Funeral services were held at the David Bogner Family Funeral Home, with the Rev. Mike Gibson, pastor of Fields United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial was in Fields Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fields United Methodist Church Memorial Fund in the name of William Blazina, 34077 Lorain Rd., North Ridgeville 44039.

## EUGENE E. 'GENE' ECKENFELS

Eugene E. "Gene" Eckenfels, 69, of North Ridgeville, died Aug. 27 at his home after a short illness.

Born in Elyria, he lived in North Ridgeville most of his life.

A 1949 graduate of North Ridgeville High School, he earned a bachelor's degree in education at Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea and a master's degree from Vandercook School of Music in Chicago.

Mr. Eckenfels was co-owner of Melody Grove Catering Hall in North Ridgeville since 1956. He also taught instrumental music at various schools, including Elyria Catholic Olmsted Falls and Elyria schools.

He served in the Air force from 1951 to 1958.

He was a former member of St. Peter Catholic Church in

North Ridgeville. He belonged to St. Jude Catholic Church in Elyria, Lorain County Retired Teachers Association, the Rotary Club of North Ridgeville, the Patriot Community Band and the North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Eckenfels also was active with the North Ridgeville football and band boosters. He played trumpet for several local bands.

He enjoyed winemaking and traveling.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Theresa (nee Kadolch); a daughter, Jacqueline Barnes of Toledo; a son, Stephen of North Ridgeville; sisters Josephine Perryman and Grace Linden, both of North Ridgeville; a brother, Daniel of Tulsa, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a half-brother; a half-sister and sister.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Jude Church, Elyria, with the Rev. Frank Kosm, pastor, officiating.

Memorials may be made to North Ridgeville Rotary Club, 32745 Fallhaven Circle, North Ridgeville 44039; St. Jude Catholic Church Building Fund, 590 Poplar St., Elyria 44035; or Patriot Community Band, inc care of Harry Pfingsten, 32078 Willow Circle, Avon 44011.

The David Bogner Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

## ROSE L. CARLONI

Rose L. Carloni (nee Loschlavo), 82, of North Ridgeville, died Aug. 28 at Northridge Health Center.

Born in Buffalo, N.Y., she moved from Buffalo to North Ridgeville in 1986.

Survivors include daughters Marion Slawinski of Buffalo and Gale Minkiewicz of North Ridgeville; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two sisters.

She was preceded in death her husband, Ego, in 1986; a son, a grandson, a sister and six brothers.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church, with the Rev. Richard A. Gonser, pastor, officiating.

Memorials may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation, 24100 Chagrin Blvd., Cleveland 44122.

The David Bogner Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

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## ROY T. RIETH SR.

Roy T. Rieth Sr. 68, of Lorain, died Aug. 27 at his residence while under the care of New Life Hospice following a lengthy illness.

Born in Lorain, he was a lifelong resident.

He served in the U.S. Army as a private first class during the Korean War and was the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal.

Mr. Rieth was employed as a supervisor in the installers department for CenTel Telephone co. for 36 years before retiring in 1991.

He enjoyed landscaping, playing cards and fishing both at home and in the Florida Keys.

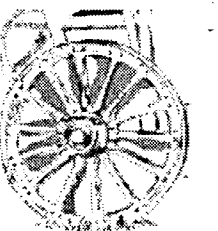
Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Dolores (nee Scheiber); a son, Roy Jr. of North Ridgeville; daughters, Debra Rieth of Columbia, S.C. and Kathleen Yurkonis, Amy Ray and Darlene Trent, all of Lorain; 10 grandchildren and a brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services were held at Dovin Funeral Home, Lorain with Tony Witherspoon of the South Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses officiating.

Memorials may be made to New Life Hospice, 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria 44035.

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N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. \$40/month. 353-0860/info.  
HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for anyone who has experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. 934-1482/info.  
ZONING BOARD MEETING, 7 p.m. Council Chambers.  
RECOVERY, INC., 7:30 p.m. Self-help for people dealing with fears, phobias, panics and depression. Meets weekly at Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Room CC114 (faculty lounge), Elyria. Call Bob MacIntyre, 440-236-8841/info.  
ALANON, 8 p.m.-9 p.m. at New Life Community Church, 34100 Center Ridge Rd., N.R. 277-6969/info.  
NRASL, 8 p.m. Sr. Center.

## FRIDAY

ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Low cost immunizations at Community Outreach Dept., Bldg. #2, Westlake. Sponsored by CSA/St. John Ministries.  
N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. \$7/class. 353-0860/info.  
ROTARY CLUB, noon at the Office For Older Adults.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, 1 p.m. Westlake Sr. Center, 29694 Center Ridge Rd.  
FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.  
LORAIN COUNTY BEEKEEPERS ASSOC., 7:30 p.m. Agricultural Center, 42110 Russia Rd., Elyria.

## SATURDAY

BABYSITTING BASICS, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. Cost 30. 324-2929.  
N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. Held in the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Ongoing Karate class for children and adults. \$20/4 lessons. Held in the Safetyville Building. 353-0860/info.

## SUNDAY

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 9 a.m. St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium A. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

## MONDAY

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OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft Club, Quilting, Computer Classes. Soup for 35 cents. 353-

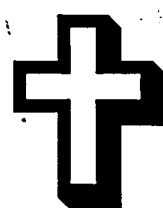
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ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL, 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. Free blood pressure screenings. 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Free hearing screenings. Both held at Community Outreach Center, Bldg. #2, Westlake. Sponsored by CSA/St. John Ministries.  
HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. "Mourning Hearts" support group for parents who have lost a child to death. 6:30 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for people who have experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria 934-1482/info.  
ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m. Gates Medical Bldg. 125 E. Broad St., Elyria.  
N.R. ARTS COUNCIL, 7:30 p.m. First Congregational UCC Church.  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING, 7:30 PM. Council Chambers.

## TUESDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Watercolor Classes.  
N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class. \$40/month. Both classes held at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 353-0860/info.  
INFANT AND CHILD CPR, 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.  
LIONS CLUB, 6:30 p.m. Webster's Restaurant.  
TOPS CLUB #656, 7 p.m. Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.  
FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.  
DADS OF FOREIGN SERVICE VETERANS, 7:30 p.m. at the post.  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, 7:30 p.m. Education Center.

## WEDNESDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Quilting, Cards, Bingo. Lunch \$3.25 by reservation. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Watercolor class. 353-0828/info.  
WESTLAKE TOASTMASTERS #497, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Webster's Place.  
N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Ongoing Karate held at the Safetyville Building.  
WEIGHT WATCHERS, 6 p.m.-7 p.m. First Congregational Church, 36363 Center Ridge Rd. 1-800-487-4777/info.  
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, 6:30 p.m. Council Chambers.  
MINI RANGERS FOOTBALL BOOSTERS, 7 p.m. South Central Park Community Cabin.



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Cathedral of Life, 5375 Jaycox Road. Rev. John Helms, Pastor. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 9:50 a.m.; Sunday Eve. Service 6 p.m.; Wed. Eve. Service 7 p.m.

Church of Christ, 36350 Chestnut Ridge Rd. Jason Hardin, Evangelist. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Services 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

Springs of Life Church, 31860 Bagley Rd., N. Ridgeville. Family worship and children's church. Sun. 10:30 a.m.; Sun. eve 6 p.m.; Wed. eve 7 p.m. Springs of Life Bible College and Shalom Seminary Tue. and Fri. at 7 p.m., Sat. at 9 a.m.

Church of God, 6000 Lear Nagle Rd. Rev. Larry Sheffield, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Services 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Services 7 p.m.

Faith Baptist Temple, Rt. 10 & Root Road, Sunday School for Children & Bible Study for Adults 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Services 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Services 7 p.m.

Fields United Methodist Church, 34077 Lorain Rd. C. Michael Gibson, Pastor. Sunday our worship service is at 10:00 am with church school for children ages 3 through 6th grade beginning at 10:00 am. Crib and toddler room available.

Harvest Ridge Assembly of God, 35600 Lorain Road. (440) 327-0024, Fax: (440) 327-7808. Sunday School - 9:30 am. Morning Worship & Children's Church 10:30 am. Sunday Evening Worship - 6:30 pm. Wednesday at 7 pm - Prayer Service, Reality Youth Ministry, Missionettes & Royal Rangers.

Hosanna Christian Fellowship, 34869 Lorain Rd. Located on the corner of Lorain & Island Rds. Pastor Jim Neese, Sunday Worship Service 10:30 AM; Small Groups - Wednesdays, 7:30 PM; Youth Ministries - Wednesdays at the Teen M.A.D. House (Teens Making A Difference) - Timothy House, ages 8-11, 6:00-7:15 PM; Teens, ages 12-18, 7:30-9:00 PM - Includes free arcade, pool, refreshments and radical truth, God's Word. Youth Ministries meet at 6890 Avon Belden Rd./NW corner of 83 & Center Ridge. Call (440) 327-7723.

Northridge Christian Life Church, 35535 Center Ridge Rd. Pastor William Falk. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service 10:45 a.m.; Sunday School & Nursery School provided. 353-0758.

Sugar Ridge Baptist Church, 36600 Sugar Ridge Rd. Rev. Bill Shomo, Pastor. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Sunday & Wednesday Evening Services 6 p.m.

New Life Community Church, 34100 Center Ridge Rd., No. Ridgeville. Liberty Center. Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Sept-May 9:00 a.m. Christian Education.

Calvary Christian Center Pentecostal Church of God, 6001 Lear Nagle, North Ridgeville (440) 353-3583. Rev. Scott Nicol. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:45 am; Children's Church 11:00 am; Evening Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

North Ridgeville Baptist Church, 5400 Lear Nagle Rd. Rev. Gerald Flury, Pastor. Sunday Services - Sunday - Worship Services 8:30 & 11:00 am; Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 9:45 am; Children's Church 11:00 am; Evening Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Evenings 7:00 pm.

North Ridgeville First Congregational and United Church of Christ, 10:00 a.m.; Children's Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Pastor - Rev. Phil Kunz.

St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church, 5500 Lear Nagle Rd. North Ridgeville, Oh 44039. Phone: 327-9778. (Located between Center Ridge and Mile Road; on the north side of Lear North Elementary School) Saturday Mass 5 p.m.; Sunday Worship Schedule: Masses: Morning 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Saturday Confession 3-4 p.m. in Chapel or by appointment. Father Richard Gonser, pastor.

St. Peter Catholic Church, 35877 Cedar Ridge Rd. Saturday Mass 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass 6, 8, 10:00, 12 noon. Reconciliation Saturdays 4-5:55.

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# First Day from pg. 1

They're pictures of students who have grown into teenagers in the past 15 years or so. Eventually, said Bahr, the names will be attached, but for now it's fun to try to figure who's who.

Liberty buzzes with first-day-of-schoolitis  
By 9 a.m. buses are still pulling into the driveway of Liberty School and as the children step off the big yellow vehicles, they get smiles and hellos from Principal Karen Frimel and Assistant Superintendent David Livingston. Livingston said the new school year seemed to be getting off to a good start. "The buses are about 10 minutes off," he said, but within the next day or two, things will be right on track.

The boys and girls who live nearby hoist their backpacks on their shoulders and walk to Liberty. If the children are a bit too young to make the trip by themselves, moms or dads tag along on that first day, with a dog in tow, or pushing a baby brother or sister in a stroller.

Some of the youngsters stop just before entering the building to take a squint at the lists of teachers and rooms posted outside the door. If the assigned room and teacher is just what they hoped, they squeal with delight, but if they're disappointed with the placement, it shows, but they go on.

Along the wall, there is a huge quilt, as well as a "Happy 25th Liberty" greeting. Cheryl Yaniga explained that this is the school's 25th year and each square of the red, white and blue quilt represents teachers or other staff members who have been at Liberty. Some of the names included in the patches fill the observer with nostalgia, such as John Wilson, a Liberty counselor, but more than that a very nice gentleman.

New bunch of kindergartners visit their school

Pulling into the kindergarten parking lot, a large flock of gulls dot the concrete, as though assigned to welcome the little ones to school.

As the parents and children reach the door, they decide they'll have to mingle awhile because they can't enter the building until 9:25. The boys and girls don't mind a bit, in fact three little guys chum up right away and begin chasing each other around, until one mother puts a halt to their fun. With the game of tag off-limits they look around for some other way to while the time, and they begin collecting the white feathers the birds have lost while flying to and fro.

Finally everyone goes inside and begins



The first class of the 2001-1002 school year for these North Ridgeville High School girls is yearbook and they seem excited about getting started. From left to right, Leslie Federer, Liz Swenk, Melissa Maver, Jennifer Van Tassel and Vicki Court. All the girls are seniors except Melissa who is beginning her freshman year.

checking the names on the doors, trying to find their teacher. After they locate the room, many look for their own names, just to double-check they're where they're supposed to be.

As they head into Mrs. Ford's room two little guys recognize each other as long-lost buddies and one says, "Hi, Todd," and cements the recognition with a big hug.

Sabastian Cielma and his mom, Karen and baby sister, Ciara seat themselves at a table, ready to check over the forms and

information they received on the way in. How does mom feel about her first-born heading to kindergarten? "Kinda scared," Karen Cielma admitted.

Leaving the kindergarten, secretary Rhonda Kuhl answers a query about the number of children in the kindergarten classes. "Two hundred and sixty, about 30 more than last year," she said.

Overall in the entire district, said Tom Rockwell, "we had 3,220 last year and 3,336 this year."



What an exciting day - orientation at kindergarten. Sabastian Cielma, 5, and his mom, Karen and baby sister, Ciara, 10 1/2 months sit at the small table in Dawn Riesen's class and check over the information they received.

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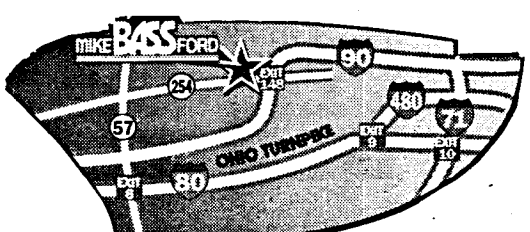
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