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Bender Road extension paves the way to future development

By Carol Klear

Mayor Dave Gillock and John Beckett opened the extension of Bender Road, Nov. 10. The ceremonial ribbon cutting was the culmination of a partnership between the city and R.W. Beckett Corporation leading to the new half-mile road off Sugar Ridge Road.



Mayor Dave Gillock and John Beckett cut the ribbon to open the new Bender Road extension. *P&L photo by Carol Klear.*

Gillock said that both the city and R.W. Beckett are winners in the project, that was discussed more than a year ago, noting that it's a good example of the public and private sectors working together.

"It's a priority of our administration to keep businesses here," Gillock said.

In exchange for agreeing to Beckett's request that the city vacate the concrete street off Race Road that leads to Beckett's property, the company built the Bender Road extension.

"It gives direct access to Taylor Industrial Parkway," Gillock said. The new road provides for easier admission for emergency vehicles and equipment.

Beckett called the partnership a privilege."

He told the small group gathered for the road opening, that he has had a "long-term vision." The idea is the creation of Beckett Technology Park, which will cover 160 acres, including approximately 30 acres available for sale, accessible via Beckett Parkway, the street the city vacated. The master plan calls for 11 buildings and for Beckett to have direct interest and/or involvement in all businesses in the technology park, through outright ownership, joint ventures, etc. The companies will be linked by value-based, cultural considerations.

"It will mean well over 1,000 jobs," he said. "We'll develop parcels with the residential setback. There will be two

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The Beckett Technology Park, to be located east of Race Road and north of Sugar Ridge Road, includes 160 acres, 11 buildings and two lakes. Plans call for a campuslike setting.

lakes on the property to enhance the feel of a campus. Eventually it will have a recreation facility and help service orga-

"It will be a continuous partnership."
As the oversized scissors snipped the ribbon, Beckett said, "I declare the road open."

Ridgeville puts out welcome mat for relocated businesses

By Carol Klear

Elyria's loss is, as the saying goes, North Ridgeville's gain. And soon 205 employees of Invacare Corporation presently housed on Cleveland Street will relocate to Taylor Parkway.

This is the fourth business in the past several months in the process of moving from Elyria to Ridgeville. Mayor Dave Gillock said the city is not aggressively trying to take business from its neighbor, "but we're glad to have them here."

Gillock said he's known for some time about the move to the vacant Marconi building, but it didn't become public until during last week's planning commission meeting when Ron Thomas, director facilities engineer for Invacare, requested and received approval to install 12-strand fiber optic cable and voice cable between the buildings.

Gillock said he attends the Taylor Woods meetings and the Marconi building is zoned for office-type use.

"It (Invacare) had to come to planning because of the fiber optics," Gillock said.

Space, or the lack of it, seems to be a factor in the businesses that are shifting from Elyria to North Ridgeville, such as JBC Technology,

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Just call Ray Diederich a 'man for all seasons'

By Carol Klear

"Neither rain, nor sleet, nor dark of night..." is a phrase usually associated with postal workers. But it could just as easily apply to Ray Diederich, who recently was honored for 55 years as a Cooperative Weather Observer for the National Weather Service.

William M. Comeaux, meteorologist in charge of the Weather Forecast Office in Cleveland, presented Diederich with the Benjamin Franklin Award, a prestigious honor from the National Weather Service.

For more than five decades, Diederich, 75, has made a daily trek to his instrument panel behind the J.P. Diederich Sons Inc. greenhouse to check a thermometer, barometric pressure and rain

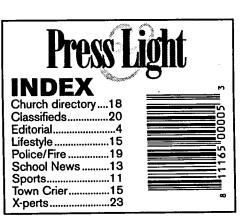
gauge. With the weather data about temperatures and other conditions calculated, he goes inside and records his findings as a volunteer for the National Weather Service.

Diederich's knowledge of weather has been pretty much self-taught, but he may have had an edge on some weather observers, growing up in the greenhouse business where climate is crucial. J.P. Diederich Sons Inc. began in 1924 and is the oldest family-owned business in North Ridgeville. Diederich is one of 12,000 weather observers in the country.

In a letter, David L. Johnson, director of the National Weather Service told Diederich, "The observations you fur-

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Council approves new three-year contracts with city employees

By Carol Klear

Monday night, nearly 11 months after prior contracts with city employees expired, council members approved new

"I think it's a good deal," Mayor Dave Gillock said.

The new agreements with the police, firefighters and AFSCME unions call for no salary increases in 2004, Gillock said. In 2005, the employees will get a 3 percent pay hike, Jan. 1, on July 1 and 3 percent the year after. However, the mayor said beginning Jan. 1, 2005, there would be some major adjustments in employees' health insurance.

"There will be a 90 percent co-pay in major medical insurance,' he said. "There will be a 15 percent co-pay for office visits," as well as some other payments for which employees will be responsible.

"Everything was covered previously," he said.

Gillock said he was sue that if the city offered employees anything lower than what was agreed upon, he negotiations would have ended up it fact-finding or

"They (mediators) don't consider the

city's ability to pay," he said. "We looked at what's going on in other cities. This is an extremely favorable contract. Before, they (employees) got full medical and dental. If they got the sniffles, they could go to the emergency room, now they just go to the doctor's office. We're saving in excess of \$200,000 a year in insurance."

The mayor said that to offer no raises for the length of the contract "was not an option." He said the hope is that next vear's salary increases will be covered by increased tax revenues.

"We've cut about as far as we can cut," Gillock said.

Council's finance committee will hold a meeting Nov. 22 at 6:30 p.m. to consider the 2005 budget, he said. With the city's finances strained, the session is expected to be lengthy. The meeting is open to the

"We're going to look at removing the income tax credit, purchasing less salt, not paying overtime, traffic control and holding off training sessions for the police department," the mayor said. "In the short term we'll save \$100,000."

Referring to contracts with ranking officers in the police and fire departments, Gillock said they also made a "lot of concessions as well."

During lobby, former state representative John Bender said he serves as vicepresident of the board of trustees for Family Planning Services of Lorain County (LPS). He said there have been phone calls concerning the satellite office.

"It is not an abortion clinic," he said. Pat Berger, executive director for LPS, said the North Ridgeville office would be

the third satellite office in the county. Berger said more than 90 percent of the agency's 5,000 clients are at or below the poverty level.

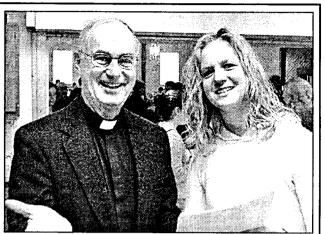
"We're a safety net for the county," she

"Most women that come to us are not pregnant and hope not to get pregnant,"

Berger also provided a referral sheet that is given to women who go to LPS after discovering they are pregnant and include resources for prenatal care, adoption, abortion and others.

Everyone's invited

The Rev. Dr. Richard Gonser and Elyria Catholic student Haley Flowers, invites the community to a free Thanksgiving dinner at St. Julie Billiart Church, Nov. 25 at 12:30 p.m. Call 327-0661 or 327-9305 for reservations. Take-outs are available for shut-ins.





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City of North Ridgeville Recreation Department-South Central Park Gazebo on Bainbridge Road, 5 p.m. Fields United Methodist Church 37077 Lorain Rd. Open House, 5:30-8p.m.

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Charles Scott day spa: a pampering experience you'll never forget

Charles Scott Salon has created the ultimate experience in pampering and relaxation at its newly opened day spa in Westlake. The Spa offers a private retreat where clients are greeted with the highest attention to detail and personalized service that's designed to make them feel rejuvenated and renewed.

As clients enter the Spa, they're greeted by a warm, inviting and very upscale atmosphere designed in soothing cream tones and accented by melodic music ofessional staff members welcome you escorting you to the private changing facilities. Warm cotton robes and slippers await to add comfort to the experience. A changing room is available for both men and women who want to experience an afternoon of pampering. Private lockers with keys and immaculate shower facilities are featured.

The Spa offers over 40 different services, but first-time visitors are encouraged to enjoy the ultimate experience—a onehour Hot Rocks massage. Licensed and state-certified massotherapist Jane Smith, offers a very personalized approach to massage, addressing the individualized needs of her clients to achieve maximum results. Her pleasant demeanor, warm smile and gentle voice create an air of comfort and relaxation.

The massage room blends dim lighting with wistful music that allows you to clear your mind and become enveloped in the experience. High attention is paid to the clients comfort level to make it

enjoyable. It's a total body massage that blends gentle touch, soothing oils, and blends a specialwarm stones with the person's own energy to relieve tension and relax muscles. Warm compresses on the neck and lower back also help to relax muscles and tension. Clients are encouraged to close their eyes and let the music and sense of touch renew their spirit. After one hour, you will feel uplifted, light and refreshed.

The massage area opens to accommodate two massage beds for couples who that draws you into the experience. Very want to experience this relaxing treatment together. Enjoy one of the newest innovato your experience with warmth and a tions in spa treatments, the Vichy Shower. est in pedicure chairs that pulsate with a smile, offering a soothing beverage and tour of the Spa. Their attention to detail

A table with six pulsating shower heads offers an invigorating feel that enhances tour of the Spa. Their attention to detail is impeccable, explaining the services you will receive in detail and personally wraps, and detoxifying, salt glow, and Dead Sea mud mask treatments.

Bring new life to your skin with a deep cleansing facial. Once again, clients are tucked into the warmth of blankets, with stress-relieving pillows placed under the neck and knees to create ultimate comfort. The facial table offers gentle pulsation, creating a continued massage feel. A client's well being is a top priority. Aesthetician Christine Wojcik conducts a general health assessment to ensure that there is no product interaction. Her expertise in skin care is only enhanced by her inviting personality and comforting disposition.

The treatment begins with a thorough cleansing of the face using the right blend is then blended with a light mist to purify the skin. The mist creates a warming effect that is enhanced with a gentle massage of the neck, face, arms, and hands. Warming gloves are placed over the

ized mask based on the client's skin type, which is gently brushed onto the skin to draw out impurities. This is followed by a mild extraction, additional lotion applications, and continued massage. Throughout the treatment, a refreshing toner is misted onto the skin to keep it fresh. The end result is skin that has a vibrant huge and is soft and supple.

End your day at the Charles Scott Salon & Spa with a wonderful pedicure and manicure. The Spa features the latwarm and mild massage while your feet are invigorated in a warming, bubbling bath. Manicurist Maureen LaCivita blends a dynamic personality with a gentle touch to renew skin with massage, callus and cuticle removal, and the wonderfully aromatic Pumpkin exfoliation, one of the Salon's seasonal specials. As a part of this special, clients enjoy a hot cider and cinnamon toddy with spiced rum.

It's the perfect complement to a day of pampering.

The manicure blends the same wonderful services of massage, soothing lotions, warming gloves, and the latest in seasonal polishes in dynamic new colors from Essie, Zoya, and Qtica. A UV top coat is applied to the nails and dried with UV lighting, which ensures a perfect nail finish for longer chip-free beauty.

cleansing of the face using the right blend of leading industry products based on an initial skin assessment. Exfoliating lotion

Make your day a special event with a variety of Spa packages. Many include a delectable gourmet lunch served in the private luncheon area.

Along with the Spa, Charles Scott Salon provides the latest hair care, cuts, color and more. Sixteen stylists bringing the most advanced training and tech-

niques to clients. The Salon and Spa feature the latest products from Skinceuticals, Bioelements, YoungBlood Cosmetics, Vivant, Headgames, Artec, Rusk, Logics, Sahag, and American Crew.

Bridal party packages are available, as well gift cards for unique holiday gift-giving. The cards are available in any denomination and can be purchased at the Salon or online at www.charless-

Charles Scott Salon & Spa is dedicated to providing the most unique and enjoyable services to create an experience that clients will never forget. Visitors commented that "they would definitely come back again due to the exceptional and very personalized service that helped them feel renewed and refreshed". "We go out of our way to make services easy and convenient for our clients and will do whatever is needed to ensure their complete satisfaction. Our goal to make them a client for life," said owner Chaz Henline.

Charles Scott Salon & Spa is open 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. It's located in The Promenade at 30239 Detroit Road. To schedule your day of pampering, call (440) 899-1957 in Cuyahoga County or (440) 930-2957 in Lorain County.

Charles Scott Salon & Spa, owned by Chaz Henline, is a nationally recognized salon and spa that has been featured in Vogue, Town & County and other leading magazines, as well as on TLC's Makeover. It was recognized by Cleveland Magazine as one of the Best Spas in Northeast Ohio. Along with Westlake, Charles Scott offers salon and spa services in Rocky River at 19025 Old Lake Road. Call (440) 333-7994.

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Ridgeville cancer survivor receives Courage Award from Society

Ed Kelly

HONORED FOR COURAGE...During the Nov. 9 Lorain County American Cancer Society annual Volunteer Awards evening, North Ridgeville's Jo-Ell Jacobson was honored with the Courage of the Year Award. The award is presented to someone who has gone through cancer and is recovering and continues to support other cancer patients.

ALSO HONORED.....Tom Kaskey was also named the North Ridgeville Relay for Life Volunteer for the great job the North Ridgeville High School Key Club did in the local event. Kaskey's club raised the most on-site money for Ridgeville's Relay for Life. For those who have never attended a Relay for Life, you have missed an awe-inspiring

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happening celebrating those who have overcome their fight against cancer.

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ON ANOTHER NOTE.....There's another battle on the horizon, but it's not against disease. It won't be long before we're all up to our hip boots in snow in Ohio's annual battle against the sleet and snow of winter. It's not too early to be thinking about what's ahead, especially during Winter Safety Awareness Week, through Nov. 20. And, you know you might want to think about getting a weather radio, especially if you've got very far to go to work or school, those brittrisk, winter mornings. Hey, don't say I didn't warn you.

IN MEMORIAM



OH.YEAH.....You'd better finish that leaf-raking before the you-know-what hits or you'll really have a mess next spring.

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GLAD HE DIDN'T Before John Beckett and Mayor Dave Gillock cut the ribbon opening the Bender Road extension last week, the chairman of the R.W. Beckett Corporation said he probably could have added a little drama to the road-opening if he had driven the road full throttle. "It would have made a good news story if I got arrested," he said.

MEME SPEAKING OF POLICE....One Ridgeville resident said the police could have played up the now-defunct levy

before election by going through town campaigning with their squad lights flashing...huh-uh, I don't think so.

4241 CONGRATULATIONS....Dr. Carol Novak celebrated 25 years as an optometrist last week, but why not send along your good wishes, it's still not too

late to do so. 4242

CONDOLENCES We extend our sympathies to two families in North Ridgeville who suffered tragic losses last week. Safety Service Director Denny Johnson's sister died in an automobile accident on Thursday and the daughterin-law of Pastor Ray Carpenter of Faith Baptist Church was also killed in a vehicle accident.

PRESSLINE

Email: As I was driving home last Tuesday on Center Ridge a garbage can had blown out into the east bound lane. I watched as a North Ridgeville police cruiser swerved around the can. I stopped and put the can back on the grass. I thought, maybe he was on the way to a call, but no, because as I approached my house I saw he had turned around at the Westlake line and was headed back west. I guess the mayor and the police chief have the answer to their question "Why didn't the police levy pass?" Isn't it their job to keep the streets safe from hazards like these? Times sure have changed! And not for the better!



Offer helping hands and friendship to confused teenagers

When I "graduated" from sixth grade at St. Mary Catholic School, I was one of 14 students in my class who went from parochial to public school. By the time the 14 of us reached the 12th grade, three were pregnant.

All of us attended the same religious education courses at St. Mary's and all of us continued on with our Catholic education after we left, through CCD (Confraternity of Christian Doctrine) classes. Every Wednesday night in Defiance was "church night."

No athletic activities were scheduled for Wednesday nights because that was the night when all of us who were not in Catholic school anymore gathered together to learn more about our faith.

We learned that we should not judge others if we were not standing in their shoes. We learned that pre-marital sex was not "Christian" behavior. And we learned to accept everyone regardless of his or her choices in life.

Once I learned that one of my best



Reporter's Notebook By Melissa Linebrink

friends from grade school was pregnant, I shied away from her. I did not speak to her. I judged why she had pre-marital sex and why she chose to not use birth control. During our senior year, she gave birth to Xavier three months pre-

Every day while her son was in the NICU (neonatal intensive care unit) in a Toledo hospital, she attended school when she could and drove daily to see her miracle child. Today, Xavier is a well-behaved and creative third-grade student. My friend is still a single moth-

her and her son into their lives, she did forego a college degree and had to give up her incredible talent, dancing.

When I saw her a few weeks ago, it occurred to me that I was not there for her when she may have needed me most. And while we are friends again, during our senior year in high school I judged her for her actions and that is not what Christians are taught.

So, why this topic for my column? I recently learned that several prayer vigil on Nov. 20 at 11 a.m. at the ning center. section of Jaycox and Center Ridge roads. It is in reference to the possible Family Planning Services facility that may be calling North Ridgeville "home" in the immediate future.

According to literature I received in church on Sunday, this organization "promotes sexual lifestyles that are contrary to Biblical standards. It also encourages young people to explore the

er and while her family has accepted homosexual lifestyle, promotes promiscuity and distributes 'morning after' contraceptives, which induce an abor-

I hate to be the one breaking the news to parents in North Ridgeville, but according to a recent article published in the Press & Light regarding the Family Planning Services facility, North Ridgeville ranks third in Lorain County in terms of teen pregnancies. So, clearly the teens in our city are exploring their sexuality regardless of churches in our city will be holding a whether or not there is a family plan-

> Perhaps instead of having a prayer vigil on Saturday, members of our community can assist in other ways by helping teens who are confused, by being a friend or lending an ear. I often look back to my senior year and wish that I had been there for my friend. I am just thankful now that she has "forgiven" my selfish act and we are friends once again.

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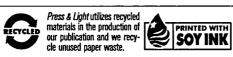
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Enjoy the holidays, but remember these special tips

I hope you will get out and enjoy all the holiday activities at the churches, schools, civic organizations and the city during the holiday season.

The winter season is about to start and some of the following information will help make it a safer season. I have included some handy information that everyone should know about the city.

City employees are always at the mercy of drivers when working on the city's street. Please use extreme caution and maintain a reasonable speed when in their work areas.

• During winter months, please use caution when the snow plows are out and give extra room to plow trucks while they are doing their job.

 When snowfall exceeds two inches, a snow ban is in effect and NO PARK-ING is permitted on any city street.

• The city has a Government Access Channel, which is found on cable channel 12. Notices of road closings, traffic changes, water shut-offs or hydrant



Council Corner

Bernadine Butkowski At-large Council

lushing can be found on this channel. · No parking on any city street between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. No parking on the same side of the street as a fire hydrant. Parking must be on the opposite side of the street from fire hydrants.

 Streetlights that are out or not properly functioning may be reported to City Hall (353-0819).

· To burn a recreational fire, including chimineas, a permit must be obtained from the fire department at Station No.1. Remember to respect your neighbors. Permits are free.

• Permits for garage sales and vehicle sales are required at a cost of \$2. They can be purchased at the mayor's office. There is a limit of two per year.

 Please contact the building department before attempting improvements or construction in order to ensure that all the proper permits are obtained.

· Yard grade changes require approval by the engineering department.

• Tree, shrub and brush trimmings or magazines securely tied together forming easily handled packages not exceeding 4 feet in length or 50 pounds in weight will be accepted by BFI at the • Senior discounts: Discounts are

offered to residents that are 62 years of age or older. The water discount is realized when the customer uses under the minimum billing amount of 400 cubic feet, they are only charged for the water that is actually used and there are no penalties levied for late payments. The refuse discount is \$1 off of the current

regular residential rate. There is also an additional discount of \$1 off of the refuse rate for residents that are qualified for the Homestead Exemption through the Lorain County Auditor's Office. Forms for the water and refuse discounts may be obtained from the utilities department.

· Community Care is an organization that offers assistance to North Ridgeville (not supported by the city) families in bad times and also takes donations for those who wish to help others. During the holidays they need help from everyone to make sure those who need them have a happy holiday. Community Care is located on Center Ridge Road behind Arby's or call

If you need more information about the city or would like the pamphlet with this and more helpful information just call city hall.

I hope everyone in our city has a blessed, happy holiday season.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Turn on the lights

To the Editor:

I do not like what's happening to North Ridgeville. I don't like the new construction, crowded streets and traffic lights. Sometimes, however, we must do things we do not like.

We need a traffic signal at Stoney Ridge and Center Ridge roads. We need it now. In fact, we should have started working on it years ago when city council approved the thousands of homes going up along Barres, Stoney Ridge and Case. Any reasonably intelligent person should have been able to predict that traffic coming south on Stoney Ridge, to Center Ridge, would build up considerably due to the new construction. It's almost impossible to get onto Center Ridge from Stoney Ridge.

Come on city council, mayor, streets and utilities departments! Let's plan for the future instead of reacting years after the fact.

Thomas H. Higgason

Walk the talk

To the Editor: Here is an excellent opportunity for the disappointed supporters of various school tax levies to walk the talk.

Local newspapers printed many passionate letters to the editors supporting one school tax or another. Hundreds of signs sprouted in front yards in various communities urging passage of that community's school tax issue.

Yet many school levies failed in

There appeared to be no organized opposition to these school tax issues. No signs appeared to oppose them. There were a few opposing letters, and I admit to having written one against increased school taxes. I voted "no" on the issue as well, and for the most part, that represented the majority position in many communities.

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But all those pro-tax letter writers, those homeowners who had signs planted in their front yard, and all those who voted "ves" can demonstrate their true commitment by making a voluntary contribution to their local Board of Education. It is perfectly legal to do so.

By looking through the literature of the levy, you can determine that it will cost only so many cents per day for a hundred thousand dollar house. Just remember to keep it up every six months for the next five years (the length of most "emergency" levies). I know these donations will catch on quickly with the board members, themselves, being the first in line with their checks. The school board will acknowledge and thank you for all donations at its public meetings. You will get a charitable tax deduction for this taxable year if sent in by Dec. 31, and the good feeling that, in spite of the election results, you personally did your part to save the schools. In fact, if you and the other supporters will make the voluntary payments, then the hand of government will stay out of the pockets of those who cannot afford more

Further, many donations specify how the donated money is to be spent. You can become a real force for change as you see it, and you will have more power with your checkbook to influence

Pro-tax voters, let's see you walk the talk and write the check. Gary Hrusch

North Ridgeville Hold elected officials

accountable

To the Editor:

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Congratulations to the Lorain County Democrats, you did a great job winning all the county positions. Your party spent the money and worked hard to try to get John Kerry into the number one spot, and all your local candidates were Avon Lake, Westlake, North Ridgeville,

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able to reap the benefits. Good for you. You may have lost the war but you definitely won the battle.

I'm a Republican and Lorain County citizen, who wants to say that I'm really going to hold you to task in accomplishing what you're supposed to for Lorain County. I'm not holding the officeholders as responsible as I am each of you, the Democratic voters who put your candidates into office. The last time your party held this many positions and held them for quite a long time was when Bill Clinton was president.

You remember, the economy was good, unemployment was down nationally, the stock market was setting records. However, at the same time, Lorain County was losing part of Ford Motor; the steel mills were closing and downsizing; and Lorain County, in spite of the economic good times had the fifth worst unemployment in the state.

Considering our geographic location with every county around us booming at that time, (even Cuyahoga Countyremember the Flats and the rebirth of Playhouse Square), it was hard to believe the poor condition of our county. You had Sherrod Brown and a stacked, Democratically controlled county then; this time you still have Sherrod Brown and a heavier Democratically controlled county. The county has not prospered for many years under "your watch."

Yes, I'm going to wish you well and warn you we're watching and holding you accountable. Now do you have the backbone and maturity to hold yourself accountable if these elected candidates don't deliver for you? I know I do.

Russ Friedrich North Ridgeville

A successful first year To the Editor:

We at SunDaze Tanning Spa would like to thank the communities of Avon,

Bay Village and Sheffield Lake for contributing to our success in our first year in business. We would also like to thank our wonderful neighbors, Drug Mart, Physicians Weight Loss Center and Healthquest. We all complement each other well and will continue to thrive together. We appreciate the loyalty of our customers and will continue to provide you with the best in tanning, facials and waxing services.

Elaine Mengle SunDaze Tanning Spa

Hill thanks supporters

To the Editor:

I offer my heartfelt appreciation to the special people who worked tirelessly on behalf of my campaign for State Representative of District 57. They include my campaign manager, Giles Norrington, my committee, volunteers who came forward to help out and especially, my family.

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Know the Law: Part III-Bizarre laws and ordinances

Editor's note: This is the third of a four-part series focusing on the criminal justice system. The first week's installment centered on juvenile crime. The second week focused on adults in the criminal justice system. Today's part will allow readers the opportunity to take a firsthand look at some of the outrageous ordinances or laws in their respective city. The fourth article will concentrate on what type of emergency calls local fire departments respond to on a daily basis.

In virtually every state across the nation and in at least one city in every state lies an outrageous law or ordinance that most people do not even

For example, according to the website www.dumblaws.com, which is operated by Andy Powell, if you live in Richmond, Va., it is illegal to flip a coin in a restaurant to see who pays for a coffee. If you reside in Daytona Beach, Fla. and have a car that is no longer in use sitting on your property, you may get fined. And, if you live in Normal, Ill. it is illegal to make ugly faces at dogs.

Think those laws are weird? Think "nothing like that would take place in your city in Ohio?" Think again.

According to Sheffield Lake Clerk of Courts Francine Shover, it is illegal to spit upon the city's sidewalk or "public

"I guess you can't spit in Sheffield Lake, unless it's your own yard," Shover said with a laugh. "I have been employed by the City of Sheffield Lake since 1982 and no one

has ever been charged //2 with 'spitting' in pub- 🄀 Shover said the ordinance was put in place

in 1974, but is not sure why. And, if you think it might be a cute prank to color or sell colored baby rabbits or chicks during Easter season, you may also find vourself in trouble with the law.

Yes, in Sheffield Lake, it is against the law to color or sell colored baby rabbits or chicks any time during the vear.

'These are the weirdest ordinances,' Shover admitted.

And, as with every city, Sheffield

Lake has ordinances regarding animals. "You are not allowed more than four cats at any one location," Shover said

during a recent phone interview.

Furthermore, you cannot have more than four dogs at one location, otherwise

"kennel" and residents must follow the rules and guidelines for owning a ken-

Speaking of animals...cat lovers beware. If you live in Avon Lake and if your cat is outside, it must be on a leash, Avon Lake Police Chief Dave

Owad said. "Who puts a cat on a leash?" Owad

And, for those fisherman who like to spend time on Lake Erie, they are allowed to carry a knife for fishing purposes, but there is no specified length of the knife according to Owad. Furthermore, if a person is pulled over

asked. "No one, but it's a city ordi-

and the police officer notices a knife that appears to be concealed, the person However, there is no specific length of the knives carried on a person in Avon Lake. The two knives that are prohibited in Avon Lake are a

spring blade and a switchblade. Also in Avon Lake, if your neighbor is blaring his/her stereo too loud for your ears, you can call the police department. there is no specific

when music cannot be played-it can be in the middle of the day, but if the person finds the music to be a "nuisance"

time listed as to

he/she can call the police.
Furthermore, if your neighbor is also working on his/her house, there is no specific time as to when work can begin, but according to Det. Sgt. Jack Hall the

contractors and residents of Avon Lake follow a respectable time" and are asked to not start construction ≰until 7 a.m.

there is law regarding noise, but there is no time frame on it," Owad

In North Ridgeville, Mayor Dave Gillock said one of the most odd ordinances on the books read, "No person shall do either of the following:

Knowingly throw an object at, or drop an object upon any moving aircraft. No person shall knowingly shoot with a bow and arrow or

knowingly discharge a firearm, air gun or spring-operated gun, at or toward any aircraft."

When asked why this ordinance was adopted, Gillock said, "I suspect it was adopted as part of a generic code when our enforcement laws were first put into place. It's part of the Weapons and Explosives Code of our General Offenses Code."

Remember the 1960s when "juke boxes" were popular? Well, if you lived in Sheffield Village in the "Hippy Era," you could not have one in your home or business unless you

obtained a license from the mayor. Sheffield Village Police Chief Mike Gurich is not sure why this ordinance was adopted, but said it was passed in 1966 under the heading "Business Regulations." Ordinance 735.02 reads: "Display; License Required-No person shall display a mechanical amusement devise or juke box within the Village without having first obtained a license from the Mayor."

Also in Sheffield Village, there is an ordinance against throwing or shooting missiles. Again, Gurich is not sure why this ordinance is on the books, but it reads that no person shall throw, shoot or propel an arrow, missile, pellet, stone, metal or substance capable of causing

"I don't know why these were set in place, I did ask around and nobody can recall," Gurich said.

And, in Avon, until recently, a person who was 18 years of age was not allowed to hold a seat on city council despite the fact a person is considered an adult at the age of 18 and can join the Armed

That is when Avon resident Larry Hoekstra decided to change the law.

"The law stated that you must be a resident and qualified elector of the City of Avon for at least two years. A qualified elector is a registered voter, thus requiring a city council member to be registered to vote for at least two years, making the minimum age 20," Hoekstra said. "The state law for unchartered cities permitted 18-year-olds to run for city council and the requirement for state representative was only 18. This inconsistency led me to approach council to get the age requirement changed."

Avon City Council eventually passed the ordinance submitting the change of age requirement to voters and Hoekstra turned in petitions to run for council at a

time when it was actually illegal for him to

> city. However, the Lorain County Board of Elections ruled to allow him to remain on the ballot and it

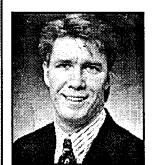
also allowed for the citizens of Avon to vote on both his candidacy for council as well as the charter change that would allow him to sit on council legally. While he did lose his first race for city council, the voters of Avon agreed that the age requirement should be changed and 85 percent of the city

voted for the change.
"A year later, I asked the Avon Lake Charter Review Commission to put a similar charter amendment on the ballot, they did and it passed with a very high approval rate as well," Hoekstra said.

And, for those of you who may not know what Hoekstra is doing today, he is serving the City of Avon as its council president.

"Upon bringing the issue before council I had no political ambition other than to change the age requirement for council but when the issue received stiff opposition for what I felt was political reasons I decided I would run for council if I was able," Hoekstra said.

Ask Dr. Arndt By: Scott W. Arndt, D.D.S.



BROKEN TOOTH

How should a person react to a broken tooth?

Any number of actions can result in a broken tooth. Chewing on a hard object, like a candy or a bone, can break a

A fall or a fight can also lead to a broken tooth.

 Sometimes a filling can act as a wedge and break a tooth and sometimes a tooth will break for no apparent reason.

The first thing is to remember to stay calm. Control any bleeding. The long-term remedy for a broken tooth is a porcelain filling or crown. Until you can get to the dentist, though, you can cover the broken tooth with dental wax, which you should keep at home as part of your dental emergency kit. Don't apply either heat or cold to the area. Until you can get the tooth repaired, switch to a diet of soft food. Sometimes it is possible to reattach the broken part of the tooth. Save it, and bring it to your appointment, and let Dr. Arndt make the final

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Middle school students honor veterans in a special way Middle School Rock

By Carol Klear

At a time when so many families are being touched by the ravages of war, two teachers at North Ridgeville Middle School rallied students to pay special homage, beginning Nov. 11, to families and friends who are veterans of various conflicts.

Eighth-grade English teachers, David Pritt and Lisa Harrelson, helped the youngsters create a red, white and blue Wall of Honor throughout the school's first floor, with additional displays on the second floor.

Harrelson said she and Pritt gave each student a large white star with space for information about the veteran, including his/her name, branch of ser-

vice, number of years and the country where the service person

When the star was returned, it was attached to either a red or a blue background. The day before Veterans Day, Pritt, Harrelson and members of the Builders Club lined the halls with more than 300 stars, some containing photos of those in

Pritt led by example and pre-pared stars honoring both his dad, Donald Pritt, who served in the U.S. Army from 1968-1969 and was stationed in Thailand and his brother, who was in the Navy from 1992-94.

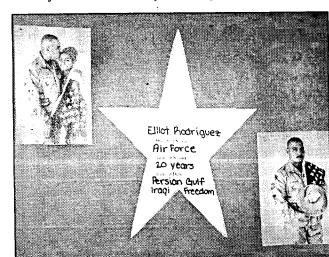
John Borecki is listed on a star with the information that he was in the Army in WWII. Chervl Glor has been in the Army since 1999 and has served tours in Alaska, Germany and Africa.

There are some old photos on display including a wedding photo of James Wilcox Crow and his bride. Crow was in the Army for four years during

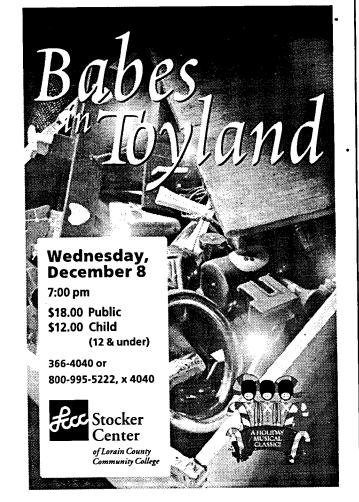
A picture of Elliot Rodriguez shows the young man, a member of the U.S. Air Force for 20 years, who served in the Persian Gulf.

Sixth-grader Nathan Lucas' photo stirred a lot of conversation. It shows a picture of his dad with

Harrelson said the youngster told her, "Elvis Presley was in the Army with my dad."



Elliot Rodriguez was in the Air Force for 20 years.



Besides honoring veterans of many wars, the project initiated conversations between parents and students and grandparents and their adult children or grandchildren. "I told the children, 'ask your grand-

father," Harrelson said. "My husband called his dad in Mississippi and they talked for 30 minutes (about the war)." Sixth-grade teacher, Cathy Benford

said, "This is the best thing I've ever seen the middle school do.'

The display will remain for a while. Harrelson said, and invited the public to the middle school to see it.

JAMES WILCOXCROW

U.S ARMY

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on wall), served in the U.S. Navy from 1965-67 and was in Vietnam and the Cuban Blockade. At right, teachers An old wedding picture is among those displayed on the Wall of Honor at David Pritt and Lisa Harrelson. P&L photo by Carol Klear



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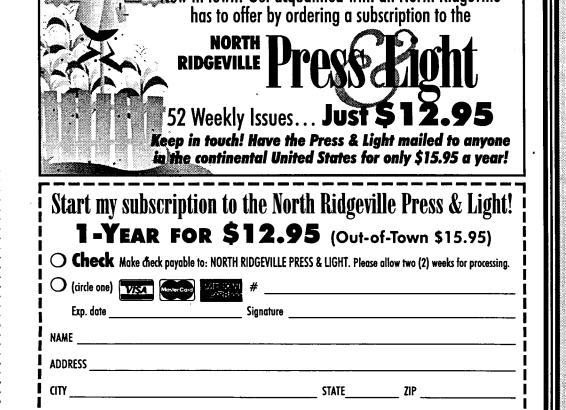
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New in town? Get acquainted with all North Ridgeville

New eatery to replace former Webster's Restaurant on Center Ridge Road

By Carol Klear

A new restaurant is expected to take shape on Center Ridge Road at Barton over the next few months, following planning commission's approval last week. The restaurant will replace Webster's that was destroyed by fire in August 2003.

The commissioners rejected the plans proposed by property owner Richard Ziegan during the Sept. 14 meeting for a number of reasons, including parking space which would have forced patrons to back out onto SR 20 when leaving the restaurant. There were also concerns expressed about the style of the new

Last week Ziegan said he had followed through with the requested changes.

City Engineer Larry Griffith said the adjusted plans were an improvement and Dick Jaenke commended the Western Reserve look shown in the new plans. Thomas Schwegler, representing his son, Robert Meeker, who owns the house east of Ziegan's property, asked if Meeker could tie into the sewer, but Jim Hurst said no. The property owners are expected to resolve other questions pertaining to erecting a fence between the house and the restaurant, as well as the type of sign to be installed.

Planners gave final approval to Pioneer Ridge by Del Webb, Phase 1 and to Ashton Place in the Waterbury PCD. They also had no problem with a request to extend an existing sanitary sewer on Barres Road, however not every request went smoothly.

Two applications were postponed until the December meeting and planning commission turned down two others.

Joseph Burda, owner of Joe's Motor Sports, 34624 Center Ridge Road, will have to argue his request to install a 60-by-100-ft. temporary parking lot again in December, with additional information.

Burda explained that he was hoping to get some of his vehicles indoors and "make the city look better."

He said that presently he has crushed asphalt in the parking lot, prompting Mayor Dave Gillock to note that if Burda already put a parking lot in he did so without a permit. When he said he rebuilds cars, Chief Building Inspector Guy Fursdon reminded Burda, "The property is not zoned for dismantling."

The mayor said there are a lot of concerns about the location. The commission delayed action until the December meeting.

When Chris Szabo of Gem Circle asked permission to retain a wall structure within an easement, he was

Safety Service Director Denny Johnson explained that the city disallows structures in easements. When Griffith noted they could not be impassable, Szabo said he had left stones at the end of the wall for that reason.

"The neighbors think it's an improvement," Szabo said. "I'd be glad to maintain the ditch." Despite his arguments, the commission voted

against Szabo's request.

Lear North students meet Ohio's heroes during presentation at school

By Carol Klear

When author Rick Sowash took his "Heroes of Ohio" program to Lear North Elementary School recently, the youngsters not only loved every minute, but also learned about some of the extraordinary people who once lived in their own home state.

"Heroes of Ohio are 23 true tales of courage and character," Sowash told his audience in the school gym.

Sowash, 54, said his wish and dream has always been to meet heroes, and the students at Lear North "made my

Nearly two-dozen boys and girls were dressed to represent the heroes and following a rousing version of Sowash's song, "Heroes of Ohio," the author introduced

the special people, such as Johnny Appleseed.

"Johnny Appleseed planted apple trees throughout Ohio," Sowash said.

At one time apples were the only fruit the people had and they learned to make all kinds of things with them,

including apple pie.

Tecumseh, the great Shawnee chief, who watched as "white people" began settling on the land, took his place

"His dream was to win the war and have freedom,"

son, Sowash said, "Just try your best." Another Ohio hero was Oliver Hazard Perry, who during the War of 1812, took command of the Naval Force in the Battle of Lake Erie.

Introducing Perry, Sowash reminded the students of Perry's famous quotation, "We have met the enemy and they are ours." Then with a military salute Sowash bid the hero farewell.

The program went on with various students in appropriate garb taking center stage while Sowash described the specifics of their lives, such as Harriett Beecher Stowe, known for penning "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and Jacob Parrot, who was born near the center of Ohio, and was the first American soldier to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor.

There were also inventors such as the Wright Family that included, not only the famous brothers Wilbur and Orville, but their sister, Katherine, as well. Thomas Edison, scientist and inventor, was also on hand.

In addition to the program, Sowash spent two days working one-on-one with the students in their class-

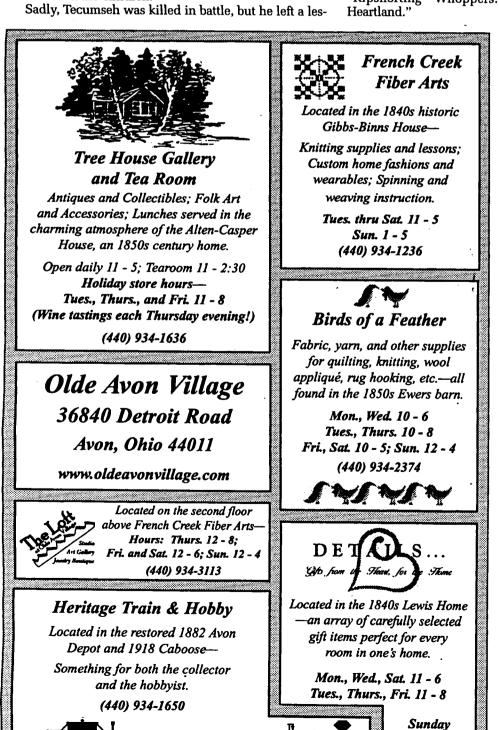
From Cincinnati, Sowash also composes songs in addition to writing "Heroes of Ohio," "Critters, Flitters & Spitters: 24 Amazing Ohio Animal Tales" and 'Ripsnorting Whoppers: Humor from America's

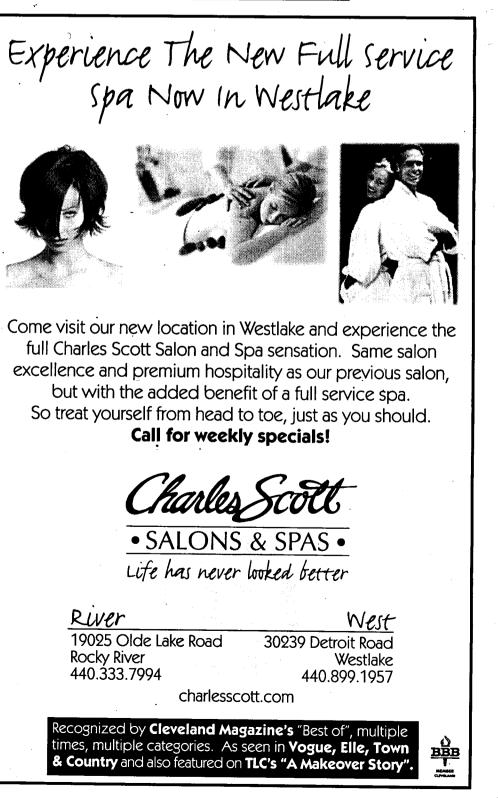
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Author · Sowash introduces Lear North student Nate Wilkie who appears as Ohio hero, Oliver Hazard Perry. P&L photo Carol Klear





Get ready for Christmas season with Holiday on the Ridge

By Carol Klear

A scent of pine is in the air. Red and green are the colors of choice. Poinsettias are the favorite flowers.

And strains of "White Christmas" waft through

It's time for North Ridgeville's annual Holiday on the Ridge. The daylong event, sponsored by the North

Ridgeville Visitors Bureau, will be held Dec. 4 from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and retailers, antique dealers and churches will throw open their doors to offer many gift ideas to make this Christmas special.

The self-directed fun includes the Blue Barn Interiors and Antiques on Center Ridge Road. The completely restored 1930s barn is filled with all sorts of antiques and collectibles. This year, owners are offering a special ornament commemorating the 25th season of the Olde Towne Hall Theatre.

LeHoty's Hallmark, located in Rini's Plaza is the place to purchase Hallmark Keepsake ornaments, as well as Christmas cards, gift wrap and special

The quaint little Serendipity

Treasure Chest, located across from St. Peter Church features costume jewelry, glassware and Roseville pot-

Buescher's Hardware, a part of North Ridgeville's business community since 1936, will hold an open house at its Center Ridge Road store. In addition to the tried and true tools for everyday fix-up projects, the store stocks holiday lights and gift ideas for the

Worcester's on Lorain Road has feed for area wildlife, such as birds and reindeer, along with hefty tools like snow blowers and chain saws to

help with winter projects. J.P. Diederich Sons Inc. has a variety of Christmas plants and greens for holiday decorating and in addition, you can buy one of the Amish barns they have on hand at their Center Ridge Road

Mould's Plant Outlet on Lorain Road also has a large selection of fresh wreaths, roping and holiday plants, including poinsettias and Christmas cacti. Several craft shows will be on tap during

Holiday on the Ridge and feature lots of handcrafted items, including the North Ridgeville Church of

God, St. Peter Parish, First Congregational UCC, Sugar Ridge Baptist Church and the Senior Center.

Fields United Methodist Church on Lorain Road will host the 18th annual Search for the Christ Child, a live presentation of events leading up to the birth of Christ from 5:30-8 p.m. Admission is free although donations of canned food or money will go to Community Care. To top off the day and continue the holiday spirit, the North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department will hold the traditional tree lighting at the South Central

Proceeds from bake sale help bereaved family with funeral costs

By Carol Klear

The death of a parent is traumatic, especially if the surviving children are young, and financial hardships compound the pain of providing a fitting funeral.

Recently the father of a student at North Ridgeville Middle School died unexpectedly and the child confided to eighth-grade teacher Lisa Harrelson that the family had no money for the funeral.

"We passed the hat," Harrelson said and collected a

But eighth-grader John Clarke had another idea. "He had brought cupcakes to school (Oct. 21)." Harrelson said. "He said, 'let's sell my cupcakes."

And just like that, the cupcakes were exchanged for money. But Clarke wasn't satisfied and soon he told Harrelson, "Let's have a bake sale."

Although she loved the idea, Harrelson explained to

the students she would have to get permission from Principal John Komperda.

"I talked to John to see if it was all right and he said, 'Absolutely,'" she said.

One glitch was that the ideas came spilling out on Thursday, which meant there was just one school day left to hold the bake sale. "I know how I would feel if my daughter came

home and said she needed brownies for the next day," Harrelson said. "I told them you need to call your par-

By Friday morning the baked goods began arriving. "It was the most amazing thing," she said.

"Kids started bringing stuff," Harrelson said, "I have 30 desks and there was stuff everywhere." She hardly knew where to put any more.

Not only that, but when parents handed over their brownies, cupcakes or other baked goods, many also

gave Harrelson a \$20 donation.

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"Parents kept bringing things and we raised \$1,600," she said. "Everyone opened their hearts and wallets. It was utterly amazing. I couldn't believe it."

Harrelson said she had never met the mother, but when she went to the house, "she literally collapsed in

"I told her, it wasn't me," she said. "I was just the facilitator for the eighth grade."

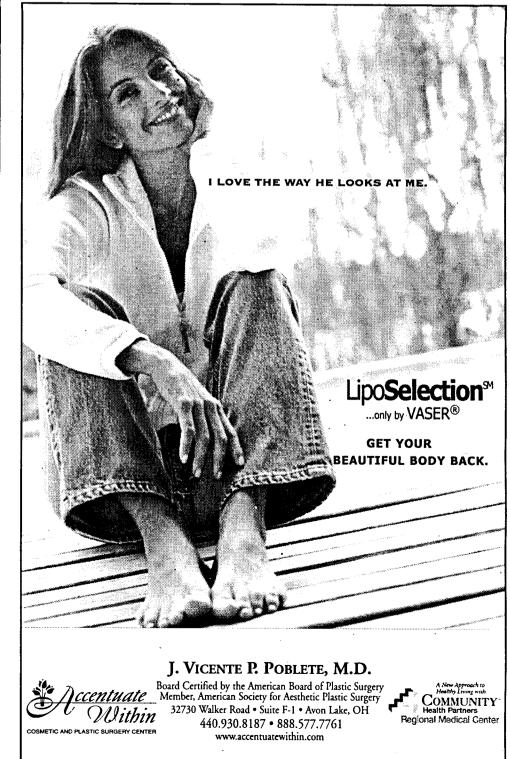
Assistant Principal Bill Greene was impressed with the students and their spirit of wanting to help anoth-

"It was great to see the outpouring and the support of the entire community," he said.

Students and staff alike donated toward the fund. Greene said.

"The students rallied for a good cause," he said. "I am very proud of my students," Harrelson said.





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He and his sister, Loyola Diederich were also honored by the Corn Festival Committee in 2001 and received the Golden Kernel Award. A plaque recognizing them is among several around the base of the pavilion at South Central Park.

ter to Elyria mayor Bill Grace, notifying him of the situation, "but Grace didn't respond."

Another Elyria company that moved to Taylor Woods Industrial Park was Hampson Corporation, a plastic components company.

"They were out of room," Gillock

When they moved to Taylor Woods, was discovered the previous owner had OSHA (Occupational Safety and

Health Administration) violations, the mayor said. Assistant Fire Chief Scott Bement helped with safety training and helped clean the place out.

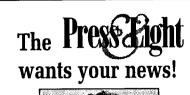
The Ten Point-O-Gymnastics Center, in Elyria, is also "taking a building" on Taylor Industrial Parkway, Gillock said, adding, "they needed more room and needed to

Although he declined to give specifics, the mayor said there are

other potential tenants looking at Taylor Woods.

"We've made it known to the Taylor Woods Association we're willing to work with people," he said. "It's a very prestigious industrial park. We want no ill-will with Elyria, but we appreciate what we're getting.'

The city has other projects that don't involve Elyria, including the new Walgreen's and Conrad's, Gillock



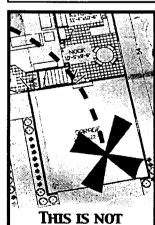


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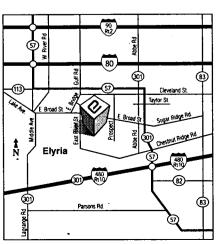
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1978: The year North Ridgeville's football team made history

By Joe Ostrica

Mini-Rangers fall short in In the summer of 1978, the North Ridgeville High School football team had their work cut out for them. Coming off a 9-1 season in which they finished Lakeland Conference champions with a 7-0 record, the Rangers knew they were going to be the target of every opponent Despite losing major players to graduation, the 1978 North Ridgeville football

champs along the way.

the school has ever seen.

team did something no other team has

done since then or before: go undefeated

with a 10-0 record, repeating as conference

Their stingy defense allowed just 20

points all year as they recorded eight

shutouts. The perfect season gave the

Rangers a 19-game winning streak that started in week two of the 1977 season.

Bill Harnish, who was an assistant

"Those two years were probably some

coach for the Rangers during those two

years, said it was some of the best football

of the finest," he said. "Our numbers were

phenomenal those years. It would be com-

pared to what Avon Lake has today. You

can't really compare then with now."
In June of 1978, the Rangers graduated

two Lorain County Lombardi award win-

ners, tight end and defensive tackle Jim

Bachna (offensive winner) and offensive

and defensive tackle Rick Deutsch (defen-

many other key players, the Rangers still

Laveen, who still coaches football at

NRHS, said the class of 1979 had an

going to be good when they were juniors,"

Laveen said. "That year they beat

shut everybody out the whole season."

might not have been the biggest, but they

were among the fastest, strongest and more

Harnish recalled. "Norm Gardner, our

"This line was probably one of the most intelligent lines you ever saw,"

"We first got an idea that the team was

impressive performance the year before.

had hopes for the 1978 season.

Rangers lost to the undefeated Elyria Mustangs in the Mini-Southwestern Conference championship game on Nov. 5. The loss snapped the Mini-Rangers five-game



winning streak. The Mustangs opened the scoring on a 70-yard interception return to take a 6-0 lead. But the Mini-Rangers battled right back running their two-minute offense with a Mike Mees pass to Danny Montgomery. That set up Mees' quarterback sneak to tie the game at 6-6 before halftime.

The Mustangs opened up the scoring in the second half and capitalized on a two-point conversion to go up 14-6. The Rangers put on a good fourth quarter drive but came up short as they fell to the Mustangs.

"My hats off to the Mustangs." Mini-Rangers head coach Terry Murray said. "They beat us twice and they deserved the championship. I told the Minis after losing the opener we were in a must win situation every game. With only seven games and 16 teams, I told the boys we'll have to win out to be in the championship, and that's exactly what they did."

Murray praised his team for never giving up. They were led all season by a tenacious defense. Murray called defensive standout Matt Zepp "pound for pound one of the best ball players in

Mees, Justin Hobart, Jake Botson, Alex Shidlowski, Montgomery, Mitch Clark, Josh Willis and Bryon Blagg were also acknowledged for their outstanding play all season.

"I'm so very proud of the players, my coaching staff and the whole town for the support they showed, especially at the championship game," Murray said. "I looked up in the stands once and couldn't believe how full they were. This town supports its football.

"It's time for North Ridgeville to be the team to beat. The varsity team had 27 Mini-Ranger players who are paying dividends to the program right now. Next year there will be even more. I'm very excited and proud of all the young men who have participated in the program over the years and are continuing on with their careers."

In addition to thanking Charles Grigsby for singing the national anthem and announcer Doug Mullins for calling the game, Murray was quick to thank his support staff for their "undying devotion to make this organization such a success."

The Mini-Rangers are 45-10 over eight seasons. They have won three championships, four runner-up titles and placed third once.

DeMarco takes first

Local gymnast Kailey DeMarco's 36.2 points landed her with an allaround first-place finish for the Level 4, nine year-old division at a recent competition. In the floor competition, DeMarco scored a 9.2, beam (9.2), bars (9.3) and vault (8.5).

Another North Ridgeville resident, Mikayla DePolo, placed sixth for the Level 4, 10 year-old division.

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Craig Best led the 1978 Ranger offense with nearly 1,800 yards rushing. He won the Golden Helmet award for the county's best player.

guard, is a geologist now. Our tackle Mike sive winner). The award was given to the Sheehan is a surgeon. Cy Turner is out in best offensive and defensive line players. California with a four-year degree. Jack Despite the loss of Bachna, Deutsch and Coleman is a computer illustrator. What they were able to do was come up to the line and adapt to anything. They really put The team's linemen coach, Walt

> With such a strong line, the Rangers had a powerful running attack that teams could not stop. Tailback Craig Best and fullback Dave Dennis led the way for the Rangers, combining for nearly 3,000 yards. Best tallied close to 1,800 yards, earning the Gold Helmet award for Lorain

Sandusky in a scrimmage and Sandusky was a powerhouse back in those days. I County's best player. also coached them at the middle school "Our line was not very big," Laveen said. "Our biggest lineman was 215level. In the six years they played together, they always had winning records. You just pounds, 220 at the most, but we had a lot knew they were good. They were successof talent. They had good technique. They ful at every level. As freshmen they scored were good skill people in the backfield. Craig Best was a talent. He ended up get-350 points and gave up no points. They ting a scholarship to Princeton and played In fact, from grades 7-12, the class of 1979 went an astounding 48-4-2. They

"Dave was like a guard in the backfield. He would just crush people on offense. I think he broke one kid's leg just blocking. He was our best physical player and he went on to play at Toledo. He benched 200 pounds as a freshman. No one on the varsity could bench 200 pounds back then. By

the time he was a senior, he could bench close to 300 pounds."

The Rangers had another threat in Craig's younger brother, junior Matt Best.

"Matt Best was our wingback and ran reverses for us," Laveen said. "He became our tailback the following year. We had three potential 1,000 yard rushers but we just couldn't get the ball to them. Some games we would pull them out of the first series of the second half. We won our last game by 70-some points. Best and Dennis probably sat out 10 quarters a season. They just didn't play because we jumped on teams right away."

Did they ever. The Rangers scored 374 points in 1978, an average of 37.4 points per contest. They even managed to score 77 points in a shutout in the season finale against Brookside. In the fourth quarter, the Rangers were playing their JV second

with such a potent running game, the Rangers didn't have to rely too often on quarterback Vince Piccolomini. One game that was close for NRHS was against rival Midview in week seven. The Middies put together a good strategy to slow down Ridgeville's running attack.

"That was the only game I could remember that was really close," Laveen said. "What I mean is, by halftime the game wasn't almost over. They just put nine or 10 guys in the box and forced us to throw the ball. At the half it was a close score and it was homecoming. We didn't need to throw too much with Best and Dennis but when Midview got on the line, Vince could throw the ball and do a good job. Teams didn't throw much then but he did a nice job when we needed him to."

The Rangers defeated Midview 19-0. Only the Westlake contest, which Ridgeville'won 18-0, was a closer score.

Laveen is looking forward to the rivalry with Midview renewing next season as the Rangers and Middies enter the West Shore Conference in 2005.

"For the players right now it's hard for them to get excited about it," he said. "It will take a while to build. But I like the new conference. I feel real good about it. It will be more competitive and the teams are closer. It's good for the fans. Not only in football but in other sports too. We're all excited about renewing that rivalry with

As powerful as the Ranger offense was, the defense was even more impressive. NRHS gave up just 20 points all season. Only two teams, East Cleveland Shaw and

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North Ridgeville ready to show WSC what it's got

By Joe Ostrica

importantly, smartest.

While North Ridgeville's boys basketball season doesn't officially kick off until Nov. 30, Ranger fans have something to get excited about this weekend. The West Shore Conference Preview, to be held at Avon High School on Saturday, will give local hoop fans a peak at the future competition.

NRHS, along with the WSC's Avon, Bay, Fairview, Firelands, Midview, Rocky River and Vermilion will scrimmage in two eight-minute quarters. The games will run from approximately 6-9 p.m. with a new game beginning every 45 minutes. The Rangers are scheduled to play Avon at 8 p.m.

"We love the conference," NRHS head coach Mark Rechin said. "We think it will be a great burst of enthusiasm for our guys right off the bat playing in the preview. It will give us a taste of who we are going to play now for the next somany years. I hope it's a lot of years."

In years past, the Rangers played in the Lorain County preview in the preseason. Although it was nice for exposure, the Rangers really didn't benefit much from the tournament. Until Elyria



joined the Pioneer Conference last year, NRHS was the only school from Lorain County playing in the conference.

"The Lorain County Preview was good for some teams." Rechin said. "I understand that, but this is what it's all about for us right now, as far as where we need to be and getting to see these teams and the chance to play them for the first time. It will be fun."

With such a young varsity roster this year, Rechin is just happy to get his team as many playing opportunities as possible before the games really count.

"It'll just be good getting out on a Saturday night and playing against a new team," he said. "The fact we get another chance to play is great. We have four scrimmages and the preview so that

will work out good for us before the season starts. We've scrimmaged at Avon before. We will get there early because we want to see some of the teams, especially Vermilion and Bay, because we have both of those teams on our schedule. The whole concept of something brand new is always exciting. We have an idea about some of the teams but there are some teams in my tenure here that we have never played." Rechin and the Rangers are looking

forward to getting back to local competition and renewing old rivalries. With the launching of the WSC, the Rangers won't have to worry about traveling long distances to play bigger teams that are outside of the county.

In addition to playing former border rival Midview, the Rangers will now have another neighboring rival with

"I think the idea of playing Avon, being just 10 minutes apart, is a great idea." Rechin said. "I know some of the kids know each other from just being so close. I know coach (Jim) Baker and I think between the two of us this is going to be a great time playing them twice a

RIDGEVILLE ROUNDUPS

1978 NORTH RIDGEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

10-0 overall, 7-0 Lakeland Conference

Team Rankings:

No. 1 Lakeland Conference No. 1 Chronicle Telegram Poll No. 4 Cleveland Press Poll

No. 7 Computer Region One

.....Avon 0

..Clearview 0

....Amherst 8

NRHS 40.....

NRHS 19

NRHS 35

NRHS 77.....

NRHS 42

JENNY MILLER

The North Ridgeville graduate and Baldwin-Wallace College sophomore forward has been named as a second-team All-Ohio Athletic Conference player for the second straight season. Miller led the Yellow Jackets in scoring for the



second straight season in 2004. This fall she had 12 goals and five assists for 29 points. She led the team in both total shots with 84 and shots on-goal with 42. After two years at B-W, Miller has tallied 19 goals and six assists for 44 points to rank 10th on the alltime scoring list.

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Amherst scored on them. The scores of those contests were 35-12 and 38-8, respectively.

"It was hard for teams to run on us," Laveen recalled. "Number one, they usually found they were behind early. If we get them three and out on a punt, after a while they would have to throw the ball. And we had two outstanding defensive backs in Tom Berthold and Terry Pickett. Both of them were about 6'1", 6'2". We just ran the 5-2 and they would slash in. Dave Dennis and Frank Dennis were our linebackers. Dave might have been a better linebacker

NRHS 35....East Cleveland Shaw 12

NRHS 18Westlake 0

NRHS 47

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NRHS 38

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MIKE HASZTO

Points and positive recognition continued to flow for North Ridgeville native Mike Haszto this past weekend, as the defensemen added an assist and was +5 in the two victories over a nationally ranked Dubuque, Iowa team from the Minnesota Junior Hockey League. Haszto was



a large part of the two game sweep as a strong and stingy defense contributed heavily in the 4-1 and 6-2 victories on the road in Dubuque. Haszto, who has two goals and six assists in 10 games, is currently listed as the number-one defenseman on the team on the depth chart.

than a fullback. We had a lot of talent on the defense."

"The defense played a 5-2 monster," Harnish said. "It was possibly the most active defense that you could imagine. Pickett and Berthold were so quick, nothing was able to get outside and they contained everything. With Dennis and Dennis at the linebacker spots, they didn't let much get by them."

With 13 all-conference players and 12 all-county players, the Rangers had a lot of depth. The team was more than just Best, Dave Dennis, Frank Dennis, Sheehan, Gardner, Pickett, Piccolomini and Berthold. Jim Tweardy, Mark Heuser, Curtis Seasor, Kevin Peepers and Eric

.Vermilion 0

...Midview 0

...Oberlin 0

...Wellington 0

..Brookside 0

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On Deck

Junior Ranger basketball

The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation office is now taking registrations for the Junior Ranger basketball camp to take place Jan.-March of 2005. Boys and girls in grades 3-6 can learn the rules, strategies, fundamentals and sportsmanship from North Ridgeville High School varsity coach Mark Rechin and his staff. The goal is to promote,

KSU softball camp

The Kent State University softball team is sponsoring a fastpitch skills camp on Nov. 21 for girls in grades 6-10. The camp will provide instruction on pitching, hitting, bunting, base running and defensive position work. There will also be information sessions on speed and mental training. Athletes must pre-register. Enrollment is limited. Cost is \$90. The camp will take place at the Kent State Field House from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

For more information, please call the Kent State Field House at (330) 672-2421 or check out the website at www.kentstatesports.com and click

Buterbaugh were other standouts for the Rangers. According to Harnish, they were also a close unit.

"We haven't seen a team where we had good people coming in to spell the ones they are playing," Harnish said. "We haven't seen that in ages. On the varsity squad alone, we probably had 60 individuals back then. That's not counting the freshman team.

"Those kids played well together and hung together. They were a really tight team.'

Despite all their success, the only thing the Rangers weren't that year was a playoff team. In 1978, only one team per region was chosen to play in the state playoffs. Berea, who was ranked second in the state that year, was the region's one selection.

"Westlake played Berea and us," Harnish said. "The Westlake coaches said we were by far the better team. But the strength of our schedule was what did us in. Westlake said we hit harder and our blocking was better. Were we the better team? We'll never know, but we felt we were state caliber. We thought very few teams could stay with us because we had so many weapons."

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of study in Germany, which is equivalent to more than \$8,800 per student. Established in 1983, and jointly sponsored by the U.S. Congress and the German Bundestag, the program is celebrating its 20th anniversupport, develop and improve basketball opportunities for the youth of North Ridgeville. sary this year. Registration deadline is Dec. 17. For more information, contact the parks and recreation office at

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NATIONAL DEANS LIST

EDUCATION

North Ridgeville students, teachers included on **National Deans List**

Meghan Baker, Lorain County Community College; Julie Blythin, Lorain County Community College; Katherine Breier, Lorain County Community College; Megan Clark, Bowling Green State University; Sarah De Laat, Bowling Green State University; Rebecca Deamon, Lorain County Community College; Abigail Dodd, Ohio University; Patricia Dunn, Lorain County Community College; Jerrold Federer, Bowling Green State University; Shawna Green, Otterbein College; Randal Grose, Lorain County Community College; Naomi Halasz, Boston University; Kristy Hawk, Lorain County Community College; Janelle Johnson, Lorain County Community College; Jessica Kearney, Lee University; Susan Lewton, Purdue University, West Lafayette; Jeannette Martin, Lorain County Community College; Gary McCully, Lorain County Community College; Hoa Q Nguyen, Lorain County Community College; Roseanna Parsons, Clark State Community College; Jennifer Pollarine, College of Wooster: Jessica Rothschuh, Kent State University; Judy Selee, Lorain County Community College; Kristalyn Shefveland, De Paul University; Kyle Siftar, Miami University; Maren Worley, New England College.

Who's Who Among American High School Students Melissa Barner, Allison Bartolozzi, Rachel Bass, Vivian Baughman, Michael Baumann, Melissa Beaver, Colleen Bement, Kristin Bianca, Lindsey Bodjanac, Katherine Boose, Adam Bowers, Sean Bunevich, Victoria Burdette, Mario Caruso, Aaron Costin, Brittani Craft, Michael Crow, Kimberly Fekete, Rachel Firak, Julie Gardner, Melanie Gardner, Sarah Gudgeon, Marissa Hausler, Jill Holava, Andrea Jones, Matthew Keller, Kevin Klanac, Katherine Klima, Matthew Kory, Samantha Lauffer, Melissa Lee, Courtney Lore, Jena Lowe, Tracey Lucas, Crystal Matjusic, Christa McGuire, Laura McGuire, Shawn Mills, Grace Mole, Michelle Moschner, Daniel Mulhall, Johnathan Mulhall, Brianna Murray, Sarah Nather, Amber Pierce, Amanda Ramsey, Joshua Rodriguez, Alissa Rothgery, Michael Russo, Tina Samaroo, Geoff Schmidt, Tiffany Smith, Kristen Schremm, Sarah Scott, Dylan Smith, Amanda Snodgrass, Alicia Songer, Danielle Stampfer, Jared Stermole, Beth-Ann Stirzaker, Meghan Sumney, Brit Swanson, Erika Swanson, Tatjana Taleff, Katherine Tracey, Patrick Vargo, Alex Vasilevskiy, Chris Volny, Megan Walling. Allison Zupancic.

Who's Who Among America's Teachers

Cathy Benford, North Ridgeville Middle School; John Brown, North Ridgeville High School; Lois Butkowski, North Ridgeville High School; JoAnn Dudik, North Ridgeville High School; Maria Fallada, North Ridgeville High School; Daniel Giovannazzo, North Ridgeville High School: James Haas, North Ridgeville Middle School; Kathy Hepp, St. Peter School; Marianne Janis, North Ridgeville High School; Carol Martin, North Ridgeville High School; Mark Rechin, North Ridgeville Middle School; Doreen Travise, North Ridgeville High School.

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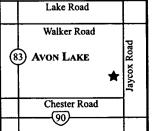
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Stacy Bohr, Lauren Brockman-Dominak, Tesla

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Sixth Grade High Honor Roll Shannon Beach, Margaret Boehnlein, Carly

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Harvest Life Bereavement Center, 5255 N. Abbe Road, room CC114, in Elyria. 8-9 p.m. Al-Anon-New Life Community Church, 36079 Center Ridge Road.

Friday

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7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-St. John

West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium B.

Saturday

9-11:30 a.m. On Target fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate-Safety Building.

Sunday

9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-St. John West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium A.

Monday

Senior Center. 12:30-2 p.m. Free blood pressure screenings-St. John West Shore Hospital Community Outreach Center, bldg. 2. 6:30 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group-

Abbe Road, room CC114, in Elyria. 7-8:30 p.m. "Mourning Hearts" support group-Harvest Life Bereavement Center, 5255 N. Abbe Road, room CC114, in Elyria. 7 p.m. Alzheimer's support group-Gates Medical Bldg., 125 E. Broad St., Elyria. 7 p.m. Football Boosters Club-North

Tuesday

Ridgeville High School cafeteria.

7-8 a.m. Kiwanis Club-Community Care. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft group and quilting-9:30-11 a.m. On Target fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room. 1-4 p.m. Watercolor class-Senior Center. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting class-Senior Center multi-purpose room. 7 p.m. Survivors of Suicide and Attempted

Harvest Life Bereavement Center, 5255 N. Suicide-EMH Conference Room A (8th floor). 7 p.m. TOPS Club #656-N.R. Baptist Church, 5400 Lear-Nagle Road.

7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Road,

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Watercolor class,

lunch, cards and bingo-Senior Center. 5 p.m. North Ridgeville Library closes for Thanksgiving. Will re-open Nov. 26. 5-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate-Safetyville

Building. 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers-First Congregational Church, 36363 Ridge Road. 8 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's meeting-at the

LIFESTYLES

Free Thanksgiving dinner

First Congregational Church, 36363 Center Ridge Road, will sponsor a free Thanksgiving Day dinner on Nov. 25 from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This dinner is for those who are lonely or without food for Thanksgiving. Reservations are needed and can be made by calling the church at 327-2921 or North Ridgeville Community Care at 353-9716.

Rotary International seeks ambassadors to Chile

The Northeast Ohio Rotary District #6630 is seeking interested voung people to participate in their Group Study Exchange from March 12-April 9, 2005. The Group Study Exchange (GSE) program of The Rotary Foundation is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women between the ages of 25-40, in the early years of their professional lives.

The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits between paired areas in different countries. For four weeks, team members will experience the host country's institutions and ways of life, observe their own vocations as practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships and exchange ideas.

For each team member, The Rotary Foundation provides a round-trip air ticket between the home and host countries. Local Rotarians in the host area provide meals, lodging and group travel within their district. Upon return from Chile, the applicant will contribute as a "cultural ambassador" through written reports and by giving talks to community groups interested in their experience.

For information and an application, call Ken Fogle of Rotary District #6630 at (216) 861-5151, contact a local Rotary Club or visit the International web site Home page at www.rotary.org. (Acrobat Reader is required for viewing this site.) Click on Downloads as listed across the top bar. Click on the Rotary Foundation and then select Educational Programs from the list on the left side of the page. Scroll down to Group Study Exchange for the appropriate application. Those interested may send the application to: Rotary GSE Program, 2800 Euclid Avenue #600, Cleveland 44115.

The application deadline is Nov. 29. Team member candidates must be available for personal interviews on Dec. 11.

Senior Center sells Entertainment books

The North Ridgeville Office for

Older Adults wishes to remind everyone that the pre-season special on Entertainment 2005 books ends Dec. 1. Regular retail price on the Entertainment 2005 books is \$30, but until Dec. 1 the Office for Older Adults has books available for \$25. Local savings include Laurel's Restaurant, Ichiban Restaurant, Geppetto's Pizza, Our Place Restaurant and Lounge, Dairy Grove, Becker's Donuts and more. The Entertainment 2005 books cover the Greater Cleveland area, including Cuyahoga and Lorain counties.

Proceeds from the sale of the books will help to benefit the programs of the Office of Older Adults. A limited quan-

tity is still available. The Office of Older Adults is located on Avon Belden Road, SR 83, in the city

hall complex on the southwest corner.

Christmas candlelight walk

Avon's 25th annual Christmas candlelight walk will be held Dec. 3 from 6-10 p.m., Dec. 4 from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. and Dec. 5 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Festivities will be in the French Creek District, located along SR 254, SR 611, Stoney Ridge and east of SR 83. Enjoy an old-fashioned country Christmas in the historic buildings housing antique, craft and gift boutiques in the district. There will be caroling, a hay wagon, shuttle service, craft shows, door prizes, elves, Santa and Father Christmas. Call 934-6119 or 937-5204 (evenings) for more information or visit www.frenchcreekdistrict.org.

Craft fair at UCC

A craft fair will be held at First Congregational Church on Dec. 4 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The church is located at 36363 Center Ridge Road. Admission is \$1. Visitors can enjoy a homecooked lunch while doing holiday

Coats for Kids drop-site

Smythe, Cramer Co. is serving as the main drop-site sponsor for donations of new or gently worn coats for the annual WTAM Coats for Kids campaign this year. Coats will be donated to needy children in northeastern Ohio. The drive will run from now-Dec. 28. Each of Smythe, Cramer's 36 branch locations will be a collection drop-site for the donated coats, which may be dropped off during regular business hours. Coats collected at the branch offices will be dry-cleaned and then will be distributed beginning Dec. 7 by the Salvation Army.

Last year, 10,500 coats were collected for the campaign.





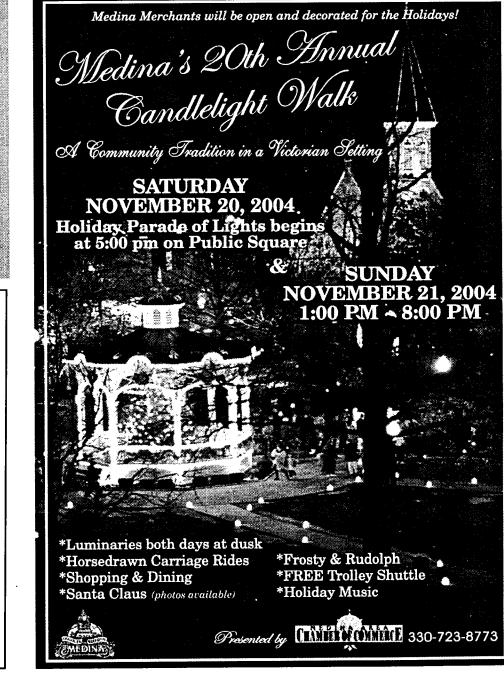
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A reception was held at the UAW Hall in Brook Park.

The bride is a graduate of Westminster College in Pennsylvania

and is employed as an associate recruiter for Key Bank.

The groom is a graduate of David N. Myers University and is employed as an assistant controller for Sunnyside Auto in Middleburg Heights.

The couple honeymooned in Las Vegas. They reside in Parma.

IN THE SERVICE

Broome completes basic training

Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class Luke D. Broome has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is the son of Rodenda Biro of North Ridgeville. Broome is a 2004 graduate of North Ridgeville High School.



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Easter Seals offers help

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Easter Seals is also taking referrals for children with reading delays in third-grade and up. Service for reading assistance, including phonics and comprehension, will begin in January 2005. Spaces are limited. The reading clinic will be held in the Avon/Avon Lake

Junior Achievement receive national honor

Junior Achievement (JA) of Lorain

County has been awarded the non-profit organizations' Bronze Summit Award. The Summit Award is one of Junior Achievement's highest honors. It is given by the National Junior Achievement organization to local JA offices that have reached outstanding success in financial health, program quality, management effectiveness and program growth. JA of Lorain County was recognized for this accomplishment on Oct. 19 at the Junior Achievement North Central U.S. Regional Training held in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Representatives of the area office will attend the seminar to accept the award. This was the first time in three years that the office has received the Summit

Calling all alumni for class reunions

Class of '85 reunion

Plans are underway for the 20year reunion for the Brunswick High School Class of 1985. A dinner is planned on July 23, 2005 at the Wyndham Hotel, Cleveland Playhouse Square. The committee is looking for area classmates. Please e-mail Christi Chizmar-Patrick with your mailing address, and those of any classmates you still in contact with to: BH\$85REUNION@aol.com. A formal

invitation will be sent in the coming months with more details.

NRHS Class of 1994 reunion

North Ridgeville High School Class of 1994 will celebrate its 10-year reunion Thanksgiving weekend. Sign up on Classmates.com for more information and to update your contact information. Anyone needing more information, or to help with the reunion, e-mail Gloria at GloriaKarban@yahoo.com.



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Lorain County Solid Waste awarded grant

The Lorain County Solid Waste Management District, under the direction of the county commissioners, has been awarded a grant through the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the amount of \$52,700.

The monies will be used to strengthen recycling and litter prevention programs in rural communities with a population of 10,000 or less. This grant will focus on the illegal dumping of tires and household hazardous waste (HHW). The USDA Rural Development's Solid Waste Management Grant Program has awarded \$495,100 in grant funds to eight counties in Ohio for the purpose of enhancing their recycling education and awareness programs. This grant will run from now-Sept. 30, 2005.

For more information, contact Dan Billman at 329-5442 or at dbillman@lorcnty.com.

Russell/Kiefer merger

Russell Realtors recently announced a merger with Kiefer Real Estate Inc. in Medina County. Kiefer will now operate under the Russell name.

Russell, serving all of Northern Ohio has offices in

Amherst, North Ridgeville, Westlake, Parma, Strongsville and now Medina.

Salespersons rank in Top 10

Sales associates from Coldwell Banker Hunter Realty were ranked in the Top 10 for the third quarter of 2004 in the state of Ohio for Coldwell Banker Real Estate Corporation.

EMH recognized for clinical excellence

EMH Regional Medical Center and the Hospital for Orthopedic and Specialty Services have received top ratings for clinical quality in cardiac service and joint replacements, respectively, according to a new study released today by HealthGrades, a leading independent healthcare quality company.

As part of its seventh annual "Hospital Quality in

America Study," HealthGrades analyzed 5,000 hospitals in all 50 states and the District of Columbia for its 2005 ratings, assessing clinical outcomes, performance and quality.

The HealthGrades ratings measure whether patient outcomes for each of more than two dozen procedures and diagnoses are better than expected (5-Star), as expected (3-Star) or worse than expected (1-Star). Earning a 5-Star designation indicates that a hospital

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has scored in the Top 15 percent or better in the nation for clinical quality. According to Sarah Loughran HealthGrades execu-

tive vice president, in Lorain and Western Cuyahoga counties, EMH Regional Healthcare System stands out in giving providing quality care.

The 2005 HealthGrades ratings for all hospitals

nationwide are available, free of charge on the web at

www.healthgrades.com.

Ridgeville received the 2004 National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA) Pursuit of Excellence Eagle award. This mark of excellence honors funeral homes for their outstanding community service, technical ability and professional integrity. David Bogner Family Funeral Home Inc. is one of 245 funeral homes that were presented a Pursuit of Excellence award during the 2004 NFDA Convention & Expo in Nashville.

What's new at Lorain Public Library System's North Ridgeville Branch

Preschool story time

Mayor G. David Gillock

Council members:

Ward 2: Al Swindig ...

Ward 4: Bob Olesen.

Ward 3: Richard Jaenke...

Sign up for preschool story time at the library. The 30minute story program will be held Mondays, now-Dec. 13 at 7 p.m., Tuesdays, now-Dec. 14 at 10:30 a.m. or 1 p.m., Thursdays, now-Dec. 16 at 7 p.m., or Saturdays, now-Dec. 18 at 11:30 a.m. The program is open to 3 1/2-5-year-

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Join the classics book discussion group

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Clerk of Council Charles A. Norris.

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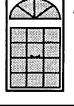
The "classics" book discussion group will meet Nov. 22 at 7 p.m. at the library. This month's selection is "The Heart of the Matter," by Graham Greene. Anyone inter-

ested in joining the discussion can pick up a copy of this book at the library's information desk. Library closed for Thanksgiving

The library will be closed Nov. 24 at 5 p.m. and all day Nov. 25 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. The library will open for regular hours Nov. 26.

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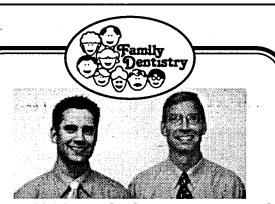
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Local funeral home receives award David Bogner Family Funeral Home Inc., of North

OBITUARIES

Patricia A. Brinker

Patricia A. Brinker (nee Bailey), 63, of Elyria, died Oct. 30, 2004, at New Life Hospice Residential Center, Lorain, following a long illness.

She was born in Cleveland and raised in North Ridgeville. She lived in Elyria since 1965. She graduated from North Ridgeville High

School in 1958. Mrs. Brinker loved animals and gardening.

Survivors include her husband of 33 years, John Brinker; stepsons, Daniel Brinker of Girard and John Brinker of Vermilion; stepdaughters, Anne Marie Linden of Wellington and Jodi Brinker of Oberlin; her brother, William J. Bailey of Middleburg Heights; and nieces, nephews, greatnieces and great-nephews.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Mae (nee Prince) and William J. Bailey Sr.; and her brother, Robert L. Bailey, in 2002.

Arrangements were handled David Bogner Family Funeral Home, North Ridgeville. A Mass was celebrated Nov. 3 in St. Peter Catholic Church, North Ridgeville. Burial was in St. Peter Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lorain County Animal Protective League, 3303 Murray Ridge Road, Elyria 44035; or American Diabetes Association, 155 Ken-Mar Parkway, Broadview Heights 44147.

Timothy J. Grambley

Timothy J. Grambley, 78 of North Ridgeville, died Nov. 7, 2004 at EMH Regional Medical Center following a long illness.

He was born January 9, 1926 in Lakewood. He had resided in North Ridgeville for most of his life. Mr. Grambley served in the US Army Air Corp

during WW II. He received the American Theater Ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon with four bronze stars, Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one bronze star, Good Conduct Medal, Air Medal with one bronze star and the WWII Victory Medal.

He owned and operated the Lorain Travel Bureau for 20 years before retiring in 1972.

He was a member of First Congregational United Church of Christ in North Ridgeville, where he formerly had served as a deacon and the moderator. He enjoyed reading, traveling, doing electrical work and had built his own home on Maddock Road in North Ridgeville. He also volunteered with the Boy Scouts Troop 155.

Surviving are his wife, Velma (nee Hopkins); two sons, Tim P. Grambley of Berkley Springs, W.Va. and Michael Grambley of Geneva, Switzerland, one daughter, Sandra Auner of North Ridgeville; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and one brother, William Grambley of Mesa, Ariz.

Preceding him in death were his parents, William J. Grambley and Nellie Huffman; two sisters, Ruth Myers-McGriegor and Nell Laubenthal-Rehling; his twin, James Grambley, and brothers, Willard and Andrew Grambley.

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Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Donald C. Gutzeit

Donald C. Gutzeit, 75, of North Ridgeville, died Nov. 5, 2004, at Westlake Healthcare Center following a brief illness.

He was born Dec. 30, 1928, in Norwalk and lived in North Ridgeville most of his life.

He was employed by the city of Elyria as a foreman in the forestry department for 22 years. He had also been employed as a forester for the Union Line Clearance Co. in Cleveland.

Mr. Gutzeit attended St. Paul United Church of Christ, Elvria, and was a former member of the Elyria Moose Lodge and the Elyria Eagles Club. He enjoved playing billiards, ballroom dancing, playing cards, hunting and woodworking.

Survivors include his daughters, Christine Sallay of Avon Lake and Kathleen Gutzeit and Linda Campana, both of North Ridgeville; son, Ken Gutzeit of Livermore, Calif.; and nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his wife, Ernestine, in 1989; sisters, Dorothy Gill and Mary Lieb; brothers, Wilbert, Kenneth and Alvin Gutzeit; and a

Arrangements were handled by Bauer-Laubenthal Funeral Home, Elyria, where services were held Nov. 8. Burial was at Sugar Ridge Cemetery, North Ridgeville.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 12200 Fairhill Road, Cleveland 44120; or the American Cancer Society, 43099 North Ridge Road, Elyria 44035.

George Charles Yasher

George Charles Yasher, 80, of Ocean Isle Beach, N.C., died Oct. 2, 2004, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center in Wilmington, N.C.

Mr. Yasher was born April 1, 1924, in Mammouth, Pa.

Before retiring, he was a supervisor at the Ford Motor Co. Cleveland Casting Plant.

Survivors include his wife, Carroll Marie Cuhns Yasher; daughters, Susan Durham of Arab, Ariz., Mary Philemon of Ocean Isle Beach, Roxanne Schenk of Frederick, Md., Kathleen Larkin of LaGrange and Georgia Farmer of North Ridgeville; sisters, Marcella Ridenour of Sheffield Village, Betty Jean Ward of Lorain and Regina Davies of Elyria; and 10 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, George and Mary Doslack Yasher, and his brother, Regis

Services were held Nov. 8 at St. Agnes Church,

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Eastern NC Chapter, Overland Road, Suite 208, Raleigh, N.C. 27605.

Jane M. Husbands

Jane M. Husbands (nee Frost), 79, of Elyria, died Nov. 7, 2004, at her home, following a brief illness. She was born Oct. 19, 1925, in Bellevue, and lived most of her life in Elyria.

Mrs. Husbands was employed by Timms Spring Co., Elyria, for 30 years.

She was a 50-year member of Order of the Eastern Star Stone City Chapter 325 and a member of the Elyria Moose Lodge and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1079 Auxiliary. She enjoyed camping and

Survivors include her son, Terry M. Husbands of North Ridgeville; daughter, Shirley Rallo of Enterprise, Ala.; brother, Forest Frost of Sandusky; and six grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her first husband, Vernon Jacobs; by her second husband, John V. Husbands; her parents, Joy M. and Florence L. (nee Boyer) Frost; sister, Vivian Keller; and brother, Donald Frost.

Arrangements were handled by Reichlin-Roberts Funeral Home, Elyria, where services were held Nov. 11. The Rev. Paul Jaster, pastor of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, officiated. Burial was in Resthaven Memory Gardens, Avon.

Raffalena Angela Fortino

Raffalena Angela Fortino (nee Rocco), 81, of North Ridgeville, died Nov. 9, 2004.

She was born in Cleveland, where she graduated from West High School and attended Fenn College. She was past commander of an American Legion

Post in Cleveland and a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Sheffield Lake. She enjoyed ceramics, bowling, crocheting and knitting and collected dolls.

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, Silvio Fortino; sons, John Fortino of North Jackson. Gene Fortino of Martinez, Ga., and Tony Fortino of Amherst; daughters, Mary Severin of North Ridgeville, and Theresa Grife of Sheffield Lake; and 16 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Eugene and Frances (nee Imbrogno) Rocco; brothers, Dominic, Americo and Joseph Rocco; and sisters, Mary Medaglia, Helen Dietz, Nancy Davis, Frances Lengen and Jean Roth.

Arrangements were handled by Corrigan-Berry Funeral Home, Westlake. A Mass was celebrated Nov. 13 in St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Burial was in Resthaven Memory Gardens, Avon.

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unable to locate any smoke or fire in the area. No hazard was

Firefighters drove through the area near Main Avenue check-

ing for fire, but found none. They talked to the resident that smelled

smoke, but did not know the source. They were unable to find the

The fire department received a call about unauthorized burning

from Dorchester. They found a smoldering leaf fire that was 5 feet

from a shed that were unattended. It was also 5 feet from a wood-

nance. The crew witnessed the fire being extinguished.

en fence. Homeowners were unaware of the city's burning ordi-

Firefighters went to Barton Road to investigate a brush fire, but

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found nothing but a small pile of leaves that had burned itself out.

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Out of date

By Carol Klear

An officer stopped a vehicle for an expired registration at the intersection of SR 20 and Barton Road. The driver was then

Traffic stop; then DUI

arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

An adult female was stopped for a traffic violation at Barton and Woodland roads and was subsequently arrested for DUI.

Hefty heist Boards and plywood valued at \$1,700 were stolen from a construction site on Victoria Lane.

Lots of violations

Police stopped a black Chevy Geo Tracker on Chestnut Ridge Road at Forest Glen Way and arrested a male for DUI, possessing more than one driver's license, driving in marked lines and under-

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Who set the fire?

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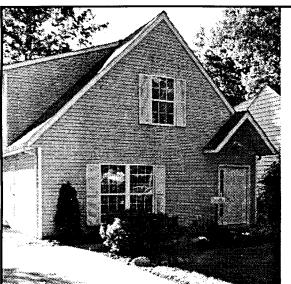
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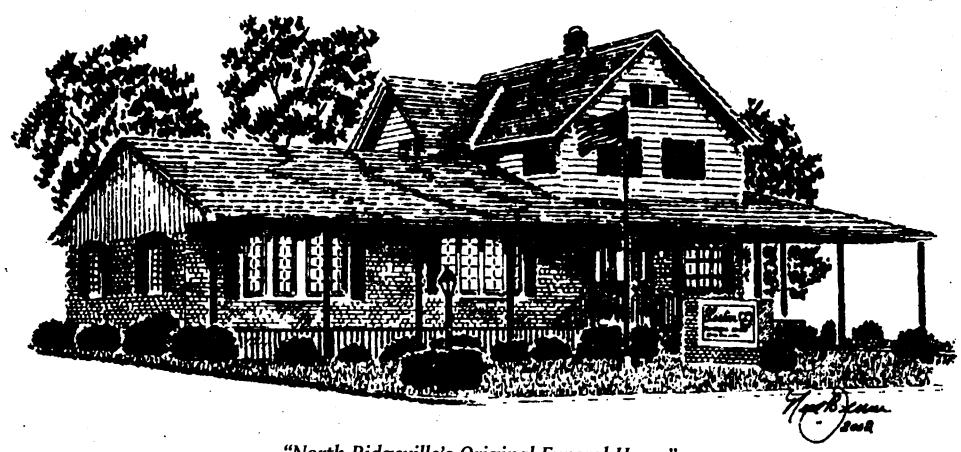
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