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This Week:

Morning Hike

Put on your hiking boots and head to Sandy Ridge Wetland Center, Aug. 4 from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. for a morning marsh hike.

Chicken Bar-B-Q Dinner

St. Julie Billiard invites everyone to its chicken barbecue dinner, Aug. 4 following the 5 p.m. Saturday Mass. Prices are: adults, \$10 and children under 10, \$5. For more information, call 327-1978.

Retired Teachers Picnic

The Lorain County Retired Teachers Association (LACORTA) will meet for the annual picnic at Melody Grove, Bender Road, Aug. 6 at 5 p.m. John W. Milhoan, ORTA president-elect will be the guest. For information call 324-2035.

Win Indians Tickets

St. Julie Billiard Church is offering raffle tickets on two sets of four Cleveland Indians tickets at the Sherwin Williams Loge at Jacob's Field for the Aug. 6 game against Seattle. Each set of tickets includes a complete meal and a parking pass. Proceeds benefit the Religious Education Fund. The drawing will be at the church's chicken barbecue, Aug. 4. For more information call 327-1978.

In Brief:

Openings in Nursery School

The North Ridgeville Co-Op Nursery School, located at Fields Church, 34077 Lorain Rd., has opening for the 2001-2002 school years in the 3- and 4-year-old classes. Two state-approved teachers and parent volunteers staff the facility. The 3-year-olds meet Friday mornings and the 4-year-olds meet Tuesday through Thursday mornings. For more information, call Kim, 353-0598.

Visit to Stan Hewitt Garden

Members of the North Ridgeville Garden Club will venture out for a home and garden tour of the Stan Hewitt Home, Aug. 11. For more information, call Debra Haynes, 327-2997.

St. Julie's Celebrates Anniversary

St. Julie Billiard celebrates its 23rd anniversary, Aug. 19 with an outdoor community Mass at 10:30 a.m. on the parish ground in front of the church at 5500 Lear Nagle Rd. Light refreshments will be served immediately following the liturgy. Take a lawn chair or blanket to set on.

Just nine more days until Corn Festival

By Carol Klear

When the blue and white-canopied Sweet's corn wagons appear along roadways, it means sweet corn season is here and in North Ridgeville they signal that the Corn Festival is not far off.

This year marks the 27th anniversary of the annual festival set for Aug. 10, 11 and 12

along Bainbridge Road between state Rt. 83 and Root Road.

This year promises to be as big an event as years before with the grounds opening at 6 p.m. Friday and opening ceremonies at 7 p.m., including a few words by special guests and the Golden Kernel Award winners. Throughout the three days the North Ridgeville Arts Council will host an Arts

and Craft

Then the big weekend gets underway with Calabash, the first of several entertainers, performing at the Corn Festival gazebo Friday night. And for those who prefer something with a little more get-up-and-go, the midway will feature lots of fun rides and carnival games.

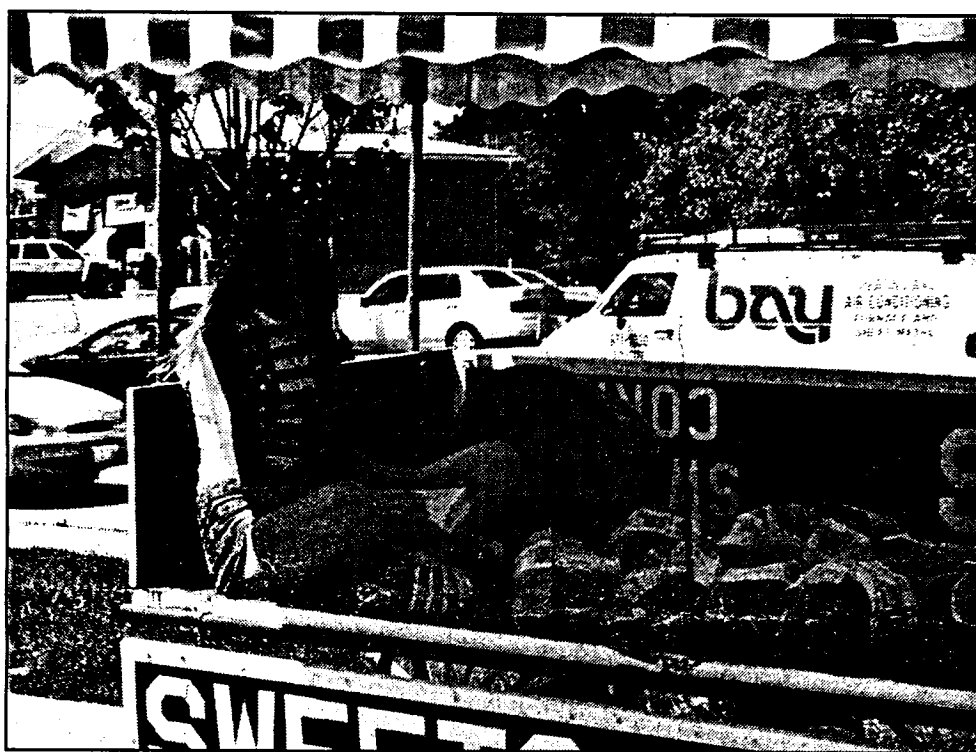
Saturday, the festival gets off to an early start with the annual Lions Club 5K and 10K Run at Sugar Ridge Baptist Church at 8:30 a.m. The Bainbridge Road grounds open at noon to the sound of horseshoes clanging in winners at the annual tournament.

For a few hours Saturday afternoon festival visitors can check out the car show and envy the owners of the roadsters - vintage and collectible. And of course there will be special games for the youngsters and a corn-eating contest. Bill Pinkney's Original Drifters will top off the second day of the weekend.

The festival gets underway Sunday when the grounds get in full swing at noon. Later in the day the Grande Parade moves on down Center Ridge Road to the delight of parade-watchers. And for visitors who develop a case of the hungries St. Peter Church will serve up its usual chicken dinner, before and after the parade.

The final hours of this year's Corn Festival will include introducing visiting queens, awarding parade trophies and music by Southbound.

Next week there will be a special section with more information about this year's Corn Festival, as well as the schedule of events.



Corn is popping up all over

When you see the blue and white striped Sweet's corn wagons, you know that it's almost time for the North Ridgeville Corn Festival.

Chinese proverb:

Love your neighbors but don't pull down the fence

By Carol Klear

There's an old saying that fences make good neighbors, but a newly installed fence has turned longtime friends into foes.

Since the mid-70s Ben Makowski and Mike Orzel have lived side-by-side on Wallace Boulevard - Makowski at 5410 and Orzel at 5404 - with an old fence separating the backyards. And it's been fine.

"He's helped me and I've helped him," said Orzel.

But the friendship soured recently when Orzel decided to install a new fence. He said he applied for a permit and contacted Elyria Fence about doing the work. He told Makowski he'd "pull down the fence and level the ground." He also had his property surveyed, but before his fence was put up, Orzel said Affordable Fence from Medina began putting up a fence in Makowski's yard, "without a permit."

Orzel said he went to the city's building department and when the secretary checked through the computer, she found Makowski had no permit. Orzel said he thinks Makowski is receiving preferential treatment because he's a city employee.

The grade between the neighboring yards is different with Makowski's ground several inches higher than Orzel's, which also means the fence is higher and Orzel said that water would run onto his property, as well. "The terrain was changed," he said. He also noted that according to a letter he received from Elyria Fence, the Ohio Protection Utilities Service was to check out the site before digging started. But, according to Orzel, it didn't happen.

Orzel said that part-time building department employee Bob Jaram checked out Makowski's fence

and then told him, "We're not going to do anything about it."

Orzel said someone from the engineering department told him he had to have a drawing before he could put in his fence.

"I'm being punished for a mud hole," he said. Orzel describes himself as a "man of principle," who will go to court over the fence issue, if necessary.

But Orzel considers the neighborhood situation two-fold, with the argument focused on the fence, separate from his long-time friendship with Makowski. However, he said at the height of the squabble between the two, Makowski used an obscene term and Orzel will not tolerate the language.

Although the fence is up and the situation far from resolved, Orzel said he allowed Makowski's sons to come onto his property to stain the back side of the fence. After they left he discovered stain splattered onto the side of a storage shed, and more recently found it on his electric and water meters, as well as on new plantings in his yard.

According to North Ridgeville's fence ordinance, "where a privacy or barred fence is permitted along a lot line, there shall be a recorded easement of 2 feet for maintenance purposes, before issuance of a permit by the chief building official."

Building inspector Paul Blanchette said that that does not apply in this case because a cedar fence requires no maintenance. Blanchette also said that if each of the two neighbors were required to provide a 2-foot easement, there would be a 4-foot "no man's land."

See Fence Feud on pg. 6

Biro withdraws from city council race

Edward Biro has dropped out of the November race for Council.

In a letter to the Lorain County Board of Elections, Biro said, "Based on unforeseen circumstances, I would respectfully request that my name be withdrawn as the Democrat council candidate for Ward Four in the City of North Ridgeville in the upcoming November election."

Larry Overby, chairman of the North Ridgeville Democratic Party, apparently was caught off guard by Biro's decision, but said the committee will begin looking for someone to fill the vacancy on the ballot.

According to the Board of Elections, the deadline for selecting a replacement is Aug. 22.

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Zoning meeting turns long, heated

By Carol Klear

The Board of Zoning and Building Appeals got a workout with a three-hour meeting last Thursday, but the issue that attracted the biggest audience was the request by All Purpose Construction for variances on eight lots on Ridgeview Boulevard, north of Drake.

Many homeowners living in the development across the street from the lots objected to the planned construction, many criticizing All Purpose Construction for apparently trying to squeeze too many units in too small a space. Several residents suggested that the number of houses be reduced from eight to six.

Councilwoman Bernadine Butkowski, R-at-large, also complained about the size of the backyards if eight units are allowed. "If you put in a little barn and a little pool, there's no room, and the kids will just have junk around," Butkowski also noted that some lots would have one-half of their yards in the ditch that runs behind the lots. "There's no living space, with one-half in the ditch," she said, adding that there would be flooding.

"You're going to have a lot of unhappy people," she said. Lois Sullivan questioned how the city would get the equipment to the ditch to clean it.

Developer Frank Dettore representing All Purpose Construction promised to do the ditch "right," and said that

the homeowners' yards would be at the side of the houses, rather than in the back.

"This is a hardship case," said Dettore. "We build one of the best houses in North Ridgeville."

Responding to a request to reduce the number of units, Dettore said, "It wouldn't look right."

Tracy Sedor, 35331 Oxford Ct. told Dettore that when she sold her house she was looking for a smaller house, but was talked into the larger home on Oxford. "I don't trust your company," she told Dettore.

Dettore said his company is trying to protect the value of the homes and keep it growing. "Our profit is when we build a house and then we're gone," he said, "You're there for another seven years and you want to make money. We're looking for you at Meadow Lakes," said the developer, "We're trying to clean up the neighborhood."

Chairman John Gasior asked Dettore when he purchased the lots. "Twenty years ago," Dettore said.

Butkowski restated her concern that people purchasing the houses will have flooding, however Dettore said, "The storm sewer will take care of it."

When the vote was taken on the requested easements, each of the eight parcels were voted on separately and each time the vote was 5-3, with Gasior and Linda Dunham dissenting.

Following the decision, Sedor said she was disappointed with the outcome, but added, "There was not

much of a shot against a man who has a lot of influence in this city."

Gasior said that part of the reason he voted against the request was that he doubted the proposed homes would conform to the others. Gasior said that he didn't consider the request as a "practical difficulty," just because Dettore couldn't come up with enough money to purchase additional land for the eight houses to be constructed.

"The developer has a financial problem not a practical one," said Gasior.

The meeting heated up once again when Terry Gladura and Leroy Thomas of Lafayette Township requested variances to build houses on Poplar St.

Gasior said the purpose is to build a house on one-half of two vacant lots, which led several people in the lobby to object to constructing two houses.

One resident said she had a problem with two houses, noting that the property the applicants own presently is not maintained. "I have no problem with one nice house, but not two houses," she said.

"The condition of the property is not an issue for the board," said Gasior.

The discussion became more and more personal with barbs between residents and applicants until Assistant Law Director Toni Morgan warned that if the verbal potshots continued, she'd halt the session.

Following further discussion, the board voted 5-0 in favor of the request.

Family entertainment at library's open house

Come to the North Ridgeville Branch Library Centennial Open House, Aug. 18 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The open house will feature various activities throughout the day for all ages.

The North Ridgeville Library is a branch of the Lorain Public Library System, so the open house will celebrate the library system's 100th anniversary.

Some of the events include an appearance by Mark Twain at 1:30 p.m. and live animals from the Lake Erie Science and Nature Center at 3 p.m.

Kids will enjoy meeting Browser, the library's new mascot. Bring your camera and have your picture taken with Browser. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the North Ridgeville Library.

There will be drawings, prizes, and free library anniversary souvenirs, too. The new bookmobile also will be available to tour.

For more information, call the library at 327-8326. The North Ridgeville Branch Library is located at 6401 Jaycox Rd., North Ridgeville.

Anyone find a camera?

An avid Cleveland Indians fan, when Ed Grochowski turned 88 years young, June 25, he and three friends headed to the Jake to enjoy the game. Ed even had his name on the big board that announces special events like birthdays and the group had a photo taken with Ed's camera, using the board as a backdrop.

Two days later Ed used that same camera at St. Peter's Cemetery where he took a picture after placing flowers on his late wife's grave.

That was the last time he had the camera. What happened to it, he has no idea, all Ed knows is that he would love to get the pictures captured with the little camera.

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Diederichs win Golden Kernel Award

By Carol Klear

CONGRATULATIONS.....Loyola and Ray Diederich have been chosen the 2001 Golden Kernel Award recipients and will be honored at the Corn Festival's opening ceremonies. Not only do the brother and sister run J.P. Diederich & Sons, but Ray also is the area's favorite weather observer.

STREET FIGHT.....Headed along Rt. 83 on my way to work, I spotted a band of people and some heavy equipment on Aurensen Road. They looked like city workers, but...12? Nothing would do, I HAD to call the city garage. The answer...drum roll, please. They're the North Ridgeville "Road Warriors," doing battle against the city's deteriorating roads. And yes, it takes 12 to get the job started, then some move to another project. And not only were there 12 workers on Aurensen, another seven drove truckloads of asphalt to the site. For more

Klearly Speaking:

info on the "Road Warriors," read the first edition of Ridgeville's own newsletter, "Town Talk."

NO FIGHT THERE.....Although I've never had to fight to get my mail from The P&L post office box, I'll probably shriek if one of those postal workers puts his hand into the box to deposit mail the very same moment I'm putting my paw in to take it out.

REMINDS ME.....One day last week as I turned into my driveway, I caught sight of a hand thrust out an upstairs window. Weird. But it turned out to be Mr. K just watering the second story window boxes.

AND THEN.....Another day last week as

I headed out the driveway, I spotted two feet and a sprinkling can behind the South Central Park sign. Another strange sight, though I'm sure that somewhere there were other body parts attached to the feet.

NOT JUST AT COUNCIL.....We hear and write lots of tales from the twice-a-month Council meetings, but Thursday's BZA session had its own guffaws. Just after Chairman John Gasior had sworn in a resident and the homeowner started explaining his plight, the microphone began one of those god-awful squealing sounds that only miles make. As everyone tittered over the horrible noise, Gasior, cool as could be, announced, "That only goes off when you tell a lie." Everyone broke up.

GOOD POINT.....After an especially long and wrangling kind of BZA meeting, Posey Psenitzki cracked, "And we volunteer for this?"

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Hate the heat, but love the memories

Wednesday night I had to close the window — ahhh.

That's the night the temperature dropped from I-almost-can't-breathe sweltering to isn't-it-a-bit-breezy-with-the-window-open.

And what a relief.

We have a ceiling fan in the bedroom, which makes for comfortable snoozing most of the time, but when the dog days came and overstayed their welcome, even the ventilator went sappy.

But it's back to pleasant once again, even cool enough to shrug on the pink fuzzy robe for the 6 a.m. trek to the paper box.

However, when the hot weather seemed to get even hotter last week I couldn't help thinking about my grade school days, when the seasons seemed to be more clearly defined.

Old Man Winter was bitterly cold and often threw in an ice storm just to keep things exciting, while summer meant one blistering day after another.

I've always hated the summer heat, but my mother always said it was never too hot for her, and lucky for me, because she could

always come up with fun things to do in the summer despite the rising temperatures.

Very often when my father came home from his day at the factory, mother had a picnic supper ready and after he changed his clothes, we'd get in the car and head for the beach. And the meal was never the grab-a-jar-of-peanut-butter variety. Oh, no it was scalloped potatoes topped with pork chops with fruit and dessert on the side. It's not that I never ate peanut butter, but that was for the afternoon hours when I'd ride my bike to the swimming pool at a nearby park and during rest period, devour the peanut butter sandwich (not peanut butter and jelly, thank you, I never developed a taste for that combination) my mother had sent along.

Sometimes on Sunday we'd go to the zoo — early enough to visit the animals, but late enough to enjoy the early evening band concert that filled the amphitheater with the sounds of Gershwin, Hammerstein or Sousa.

Every summer I could count on doing one very special thing like

going to Cedar Point or maybe even Euclid Beach, although with the diminished speed limit at that time and the distance between Toledo and Euclid, that trip usually ended in a long-day's-journey-into-night. But who cared, the whirling, twirling and screaming on just about every ride in the park was well worth the lengthy ride.

Not every day during those summer months meant going off somewhere, very often I'd stay at home, invite a friend over, and mother would play cards with us, cut out paper dolls or bake cookies. Of course there were times my mother, father and I would just read. Dad always perused "Popular Mechanics," mother, "Ladies Home Companion," and I devoured every Nancy Drew mystery ever written. I was an only child for nearly seven years, so it was a long time before my sister could enjoy the living room reading sessions.

Though I couldn't be happier that the torrid temperatures have retreated (at least for a while) the heat and humidity did allow me a childhood reverie or two, and that was nice.

Pressline:

Caller: I just wondered why the City of North Ridgeville Utilities Department didn't include the direct charge (payment) authorization form in with the utilities bill instead of expecting half the town to drop at City Hall and pick one up.

Response: According to Jim Whitlock, who heads the Utilities Department, the cost to print the forms and insert one in each of the city's 8,600 accounts would have been around \$1,000 and Whitlock said he knows many people would just throw them away, which would have been a waste of money. Presently approximately 30 people have signed up for the service, he said, adding that the forms are at the Utilities Department in City Hall.

Caller: Was the article by Bob Schmitt in the June 25 issue of The Press & Light a guest column or a paid ad. In the past, there has been a notation designating a guest columnist. This time it was hard to tell.

Response: The article, "A snapshot of impact of Ridgefield neighborhood," written by developer Bob Schmitt was published as a guest column. Mr. Schmitt had provided it following the last council meeting, along with some other data and we had considered using it as a letter to the editor, however we wanted to include the map. As the caller pointed out we should have noted Mr. Schmitt as a guest columnist and we appreciate bringing it to our attention.

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Few other things the city needs before a rec center

To the Editor:

I have been sitting back and listening to all the balderdash and to a polite phrase, about the so called rec center that the mayor and council seem to think that this city needs. Let me point out a few things this city really should be looking at. Lear Nagel Road from Center Ridge to Lorain Road needs to be widened and repaved at the very least. (But let's build a rec center.)

Center Ridge Road from Barton west to Cleveland Street needs the center lane eliminated so that there is a faster way to move traffic through the city. As it is now it is a complete mess. (But let's build a rec center.)

We still have a lot of open drainage ditches which breed mosquitoes and other nasty things and pose a potential hazard for cars to slide into. Why in some places if you had a flat tire you cannot pull over to replace the tire. (But let's build a rec center.)

I ask the mayor and city council to just drive around the city and see what I see. Homes that are a disgrace and over run with tall grass and junk cars in the front yard, and the house itself falling apart. Either there are no laws on the books to enforce clean up or if there are, no one enforces them.

Drive by some of the convenience stores. The parking lots are littered with garbage. This is not only an eyesore but also a blot on the city itself.

But hey let's build a rec center. Please mayor let's get the city looking like a city before we build a rec center. When this is done I will cast my vote for it, but until then forget it.

Patrick R. Lee
 North Ridgeville

Betty Blair's Bulletin Board

To the Editor:

Lorain Tornado - 77th Anniversary
 Congratulations to the Black River Historical Society and especially Frank T. and Carolyn Sipkovsky, President and Vice President respectively, for their spearheading efforts in placing the Historical Marker commemorating the 77th anniversary of the June 28, 1924 Lorain Tornado, the deadliest in Ohio's History.

Author Vicki Leon, in her new book "Uppity Women of the New World" tells about Mary Katherine Goddard who served as Baltimore's first postmaster. Ms. Goddard was also the printer of the first signed copy of the Declaration of Independence and published almanacs and newspapers in two states. According to Ms. Leon, after 14 years of running the post office, Mary Katherine lost her job. Now that it was a cushy federal post with a travel expense account, bureaucrats thought the job "too difficult for a woman."

Letters to the Editor:

Voting

Aug. 26 marks the 81st anniversary of the date that women gained suffrage, or the right to vote, through ratification of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, (the last state to ratify being Tennessee). This right was gained after a 72-year struggle by our predecessors, which included 56 campaigns of referendum to male voters, 480 legislative campaigns, 47 campaigns to influence state constitutional conventions, 277 campaigns at state party conventions for the Women's Suffrage Plant and 19 lobbying campaigns with 19 successive Congresses.

Abigail Adams had quite an influence on her husband, who became the second president of the United States. In 1776, John Adams was a delegate to the convention that was writing the Declaration of Independence. Abigail wrote to him: "Remember the ladies...or we will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have no voice."

Let's not forget to exercise our "voice," earned after 72 years of hard work by many. The right to vote should not be taken lightly!

Coming Events

Lorain County Community Alliance - Aug. 3 at 9 a.m. meeting at the new Patsie C. Campana Engineering Building on the Lorain County Community College Campus, home to GLIDE (Great Lakes Incubator for Developing Enterprises). GLIDE is Lorain County's first incubator and one of only four in Northeast Ohio.

Lorain County Fair - Aug. 20 through Aug. 26. Support Lorain County 4-H livestock sales on Aug. 23 and again on Aug. 25.

Concluding Thought
 Excerpt from Peter Stanton's 1991 report on Lorain County 2020: A Vision for the Future: "No substantial countywide change is likely unless the persons willing to work for it find some way of joining together for joint planning and coordinated action."

Betty Blair, President
 Lorain County Board of Commissioners

Takes exception to some points

To the Editor:

After reading Mr. Schmitt's article as a guest columnist in the July 25 edition of the Press & Light, I have to take exception with not only the basic premise of the column, but with some of the points he attempts to use in support of his position. In his article/column, Mr. Schmitt contends that there has been a recent surge in the negative publicity and news involving developers and developments in our city and he attempts to

offset the negativity by expounding on the virtues of having a development such as Ridgefield being built in our midst.

In the first place, the overwhelming majority of negative comments I have read, heard or, I admit, written myself have been directed against the building of one particular type of development. That would be the proposed PCD developments as defined by our PCD ordinance. I have yet to read or hear one adverse comment directed at the Ridgefield development. Mr. Schmitt himself has been a target of some negative press and comments, but only in his capacity as a self-appointed spokesperson/cheerleader for the proposed PCD developments and the sewer deal that is tied to them or when he has chosen to insert himself into the political arena. In his capacity as the developer of Ridgefield, I have heard nothing but positives. In fact, I would be willing to wager that if all that was proposed for the Western portion of our city was further developments along the lines of Ridgefield, that he present controversy would be nonexistent.

Secondly, Mr. Schmitt's insistence on labeling the Ridgefield development as a PCD would be laughable if not for the fact that many people will believe this very misleading statement due to his being anointed a highly respected developer by the present administration. The differences between Ridgefield and the proposed PCDs as defined by our ordinance are many and have been listed many times before, but since he insists on rehearsing this tired rhetoric, I'll respond in kind. The Ridgefield development is being built on 500 acres and will have a total of 903 homes, per Mr. Schmitt's article. That is a total density of approximately 1.8 dwellings (3.24 dwellings/acre density). Ridgefield contains no commercial or retail entities: Under our PCD ordinance, this same 500 acres would be allowed to contain up to 50 acres of commercial/retail. As anyone can plainly see from just these two comparisons, the differences between Mr. Schmitt's "PCD" and the reality of what is proposed for the city's Westside are vast and try and pass Ridgefield off as a PCD as defined under our ordinance is a disservice to the citizens of our city and an insult to our intelligence.

Thirdly, Mr. Schmitt contends that the large trunk sewer contributions being made

by the PCD developers along with other unnamed adjacent area benefits would substantially exceed the contributions made by Ridgefield. The trunk sewer contributions or "The Gift" as previously described by Mr. Schmitt and various administration officials, has already been shown to have more benefits for the developers than our city in a previous letter to the editor. I would also hope that the two proposed developments that area more than twice the area and contain over 3000 more dwellings would contribute more than Ridgefield does to our city's coffers.

The one point of Mr. Schmitt's article that I found new and extremely interesting is the area on the accompanying map that identifies a proposed Research and Development Park. As far as I know, that area is not zoned for that purpose. I would be most interested in an informative article by Mr. Schmitt on the benefits of "overlay zoning" as they pertain to his proposed development of this section of our city.

Rick Herman
 North Ridgeville

Service News:

ERIN K. MCCASSON

Erin K. McCasson has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty.

The recruit qualifies for a \$4,000 enlistment bonus.

McCasson, a 1998 graduate of North Ridgeville High School, will report to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. for basic training.

She is the daughter of Kathleen M. and James M. McCasson of 6165 Denise Dr.

See Service News on pg. 12

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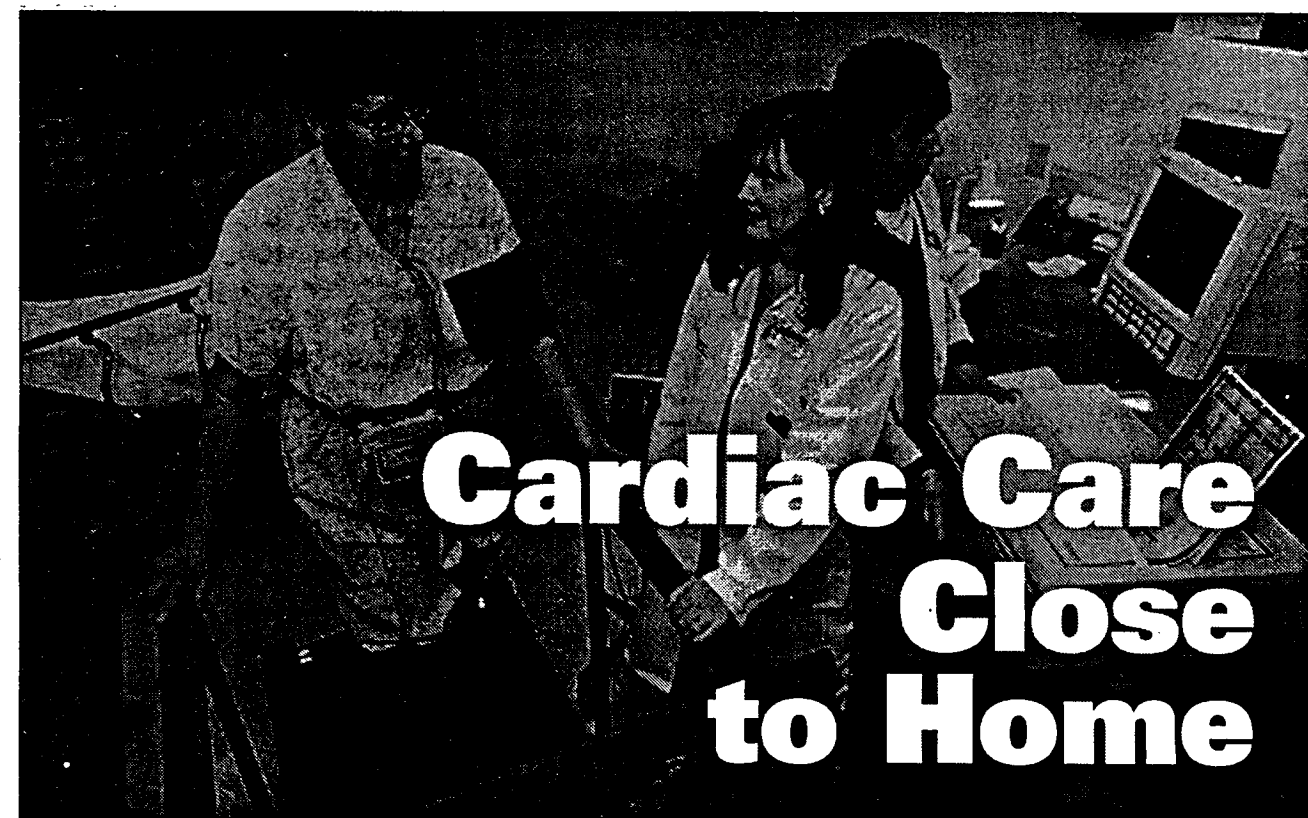
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Caller: I tried calling the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor about Mills Creek Commons, but they weren't any help. I wondered if it couldn't be remodeled something like in West Lake where Borders is. I don't know whom the property belongs to but maybe they could put something in like a deli with tables and umbrellas outside. I think people would come.

Response: Ed Hom of Hom Management in Rocky River owns the property and said he has no problem spending money to fixing it up, however he has had no one interested in renting space. He said he has had people call, look at the space, "then walk away." The last time anyone inquired about renting there was in November, he said. "I'm not a slum landlord," said Hom. He also said that developer Bob Schmitt originally had constructed the property.

Caller: Many thanks to Carol Klear and The Press & Light for publishing the July 11 article concerning the resignation of city engineer Stewart Lovece. It clearly addresses the ongoing struggles experienced by those who have to deal the current administration. It is the most significant and revealing article written to date.

Caller: In last week's Press & Light Bob Schmitt referred to his Ridgefield Development as a PCD. Ridgefield is built in R-1 zoning with low density and no commercial. The proposed PCD will be built with PCD zoning and includes commercial and as much as 90 percent cluster. Wildflower is similar to the cluster portion of the PCD Combined the two proposed PCDs encompass 1,400 acres of land.



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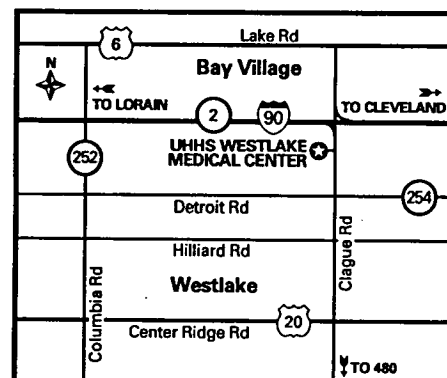
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Dog dies after being in locked car for two days

By Carol Klear

A dog confined in a locked car for two days was found dead last Wednesday at a Gina Drive home.

According to a police report, officers were contacted by the Animal Protective League after the dog's owner, Lorraine E. Stone, 34164 Gina Dr., called the APL to remove the animal.

The APL refused then called police who discovered the dog lying on the floor on the passenger side of the car.

Fire Department Reports:

By Carol Klear

Faulty detector

A call to Sunflower Lane found a CO detector that was beeping every 10 minutes. The resident was advised to replace detector.

What's that?

A homeowner called firefighters after noticing a large fire burning in the backyard of a new home.

Not a fire; a water leak

When firefighters arrived at an Emerald Drive home they discovered water leaking into the home from an under-

ground pipe with an outside shut-off. They were unable to turn it off and needed heavy equipment to dig up the ground.

Although temperatures last week remained in the 90s, Stone told police officers she had left the dog in the car for two days.

Police told the dog's owner to take the dead animal to the veterinarian's for disposal.

Stone was charged with a misdemeanor animal cruelty and is to appear in North Ridgeville Mayor's Court, Aug. 15.

ground pipe with an outside shut-off. They were unable to turn it off and needed heavy equipment to dig up the ground.

Hot mail

Firefighters were called to Grace Drive for a small mulch fire at the base of a mailbox on a tree lawn. It was extinguished.

Gas smell

A call to a Chestnut Ridge Road home for a CO problem after a hallway detector went off, but no problem was found, however the homeowner was using a gas grill next to the house with the window open, which could have explained the problem.

Kitchen fire

A kitchen fire started behind the stove in a Laurel Circle residence due to arching wires. The resident pushed the stove back and pinched the cord to the fluorescent light above the stove. When he pulled out the stove the fire started and a gas line broke. A chemical extinguisher was used to put out the fire. Firefighters opened the wall to check for other fires. There was smoke damage to the house.

Between July 19 and July 25, the Fire Department had 11 fire runs and 37 EMS runs, with 19 transports to EMH, 11 to St. John West Shore and two to Fairview.

There were five "no transports."

Fence Feud from pg. 1

There is also a \$26 permit fee required. If work is begun without the permit, the applicant could be expected to pay double that cost, however, Blanchette said that is only in cases of obvious disregard for the law. In Makowski's situation, when it was learned that the lack of permit was not intentional, construction was halted until he got the permit, but was not obligated to pay an additional fine.

According to Scott Serazin, Makowski's attorney, Makowski decided approximately three months ago to change the fence that had stood between the two yards since 1975. Serazin said his client got three estimates and opted for a cedar model.

"Orzell didn't like it," said Serazin.

When the building department learned Makowski didn't have a permit, Paul Blanchette told him he had to get one. Apparently, said Serazin, Orzel called Mayor Deanna Hill about the situation and the grade. In response she asked Mike Vandrask of the engineering department to check it out, which he did July 18.

Satisfied that there was no encroachment on the right-of-way and no drainage problem, the building department issued Makowski a permit July 19. "They started to put the fence up on Saturday (July 21)," said Serazin. Makowski said he would clean up the debris if Orzel permitted him on his property. Concerned that Orzel wouldn't let him on the lot, "Ben called the police to see if he could get permission," and they accompanied him to Orzel's, said the attorney. Initially Orzel refused, but later the police called Makowski and told him Orzel had changed his mind.

Serazin said that when Makowski's sons stained the fence, they used a roller and went too fast.

"Why is he (Orzel) upset?" the attorney asked. "He wanted to put up a fence on his side and now he doesn't have to."

"Ben isn't getting any special consideration," he said. Serazin said that the flower garden actually would help Orzel because the plantings will cause the water to drain back into the yard.

"It clearly isn't a favoritism situation," said Serazin. But Orzel still is not convinced. "I'm a man of conviction," he said, "I feel like I'm being slighted."

Referring to the state agency referenced in the Elyria Fence letter, Orzel said, "The state is involved in this. How can the city handle this if a law was broken?"

"I'm not backing down," he said.

Police Department Reports:

Camaro driveby: First the finger, then punch in the nose

By Carol Klear

Police were called to a Jaycox Road residence around 3 p.m. where a juvenile boy had a bloody nose. Apparently the boy and three friends, another male and two girls were walking from Drake onto Jaycox when a blue Camaro approached them and one occupant hooted at the girls. One of the juveniles asked for a ride and the passenger in the Camaro gave him the finger. A juvenile returned the insult.

Then the driver turned around on Jaycox, pulling onto the berm, while a maroon vehicle pulled into a private drive on Jaycox. The passenger in the Camaro got out and asked the juvenile, "Do you want some of this?" When the boy said no, the subject punched him in the nose with his fist.

One of the male passengers in the maroon car started to get out, but was held back by a female passenger.

The passenger got back in the Camaro and both cars drove away.

A homeowner saw the incident and allowed the juveniles to use his phone to call their parents, and he also called the police.

The Camaro was described as having "Chinese" writing on the driver's side door. The suspect was described as a white male, 16-21, about 5 foot 10 with brown or black spiked hair.

Around 4:30 p.m. police stopped a blue Camaro and questioned the operator and a passenger who denied knowing anything about it.

The next day police drove by the resident and saw a blue Camaro, but rather than Chinese letters it had two English characters on it, however they could have been misidentified.

The subject identified the assailant from a 2000 NRHS yearbook.

The investigation continued pending another interview.

Out of control

A couple called police when they discovered the control box missing from their 1999 Mercury Villager. The wife related that after having been at the Shady Drive Baseball Complex they drove home and parked the vehicle in a locked garage. The next morning they discovered the control box, which had been mounted inside the vehicle, below and to the right of the steering wheel, was missing.

Someone had forced the passenger side door open and unplugged the control box and removed it.

The lock on the driver's side door had been removed.

There are no suspects.

An artful Dodger

A Ridge Plaza resident reported that someone had taken her purse from her Dodge Neon parked in her driveway. The black purse contained a black cell phone, a bankcard, a couple of bankcards and her driver's license.

The complainant also advised police that a mini van and a Sun Bird also was entered, but nothing was taken.

Several hours after reporting the purse missing, the complainant's mother left a message that the purse had been found in the woods off Ridgeview, however the contents were missing.

There are no suspects at this time.

Cool operator

When a Lear Nagle resident returned to her home, she noticed the light to the side garage door was on, but she had not left it on when she left. She also discovered the chair that kept the door closed was knocked over.

The only items missing were four air conditioners that had been under a tarp in the corner of the garage. Before the theft she had seven.

The investigation will continue.

Shot in the dark

As a Center Ridge Road greenhouse owner was closing up shop he noticed a groundhog near a barn. He grabbed his .22 caliber rifle and headed out what he saw the critter. The rifle was loaded but not cocked, and just as the subject was getting ready to take the groundhog down, he walked through some high grass and pipes, tripped and fell.

He hit the ground and the rifle went off while he had his left hand over the end of the barrel, shooting his little finger.

The subject went to EMH to be treated while the police and firefighters searched for the remains of the finger.

The subject did not have permission to use the firearm in the city and was cited to

North Ridgeville Mayor's Court.

Too young to buy beer

During a recent underage consumption incident police arrested a 19-year-old subject who allegedly purchased the beer at 7-11 on Center Ridge Road. The subject agreed to purchase more beer from the store the next night while under police surveillance.

Driving an unmarked car police followed the subject to 7-11 and watched as the subject bought the beer. Later they got a description of the clerk who sold the beer.

The officer returned to 7-11 and talked to the defendant and gave her a copy of the complaint and a summons to appear at Elyria Municipal Court.



Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, August 11

We would like to invite our neighbors and friends to a very special afternoon celebrating St. John West Shore's 20th Anniversary and the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine 150th Anniversary of loving service. Please join us as we take pride in the past, celebrate our present success and look to the future with hope.

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4:45 pm

Ice Cream Social sponsored by the St. John West Shore Auxiliary - located off the Hospital patio -

5:00 pm

Outdoor Concert with The Patriots Community Band sponsored by the St. John West Shore Auxiliary - located off the Hospital patio -

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North Ridgeville community calendar for August

WEDNESDAY 1

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Quilting, Cards, Lunch, Bingo, Watercolor class.
■ 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Westlake Toastmasters #497 - Webster's Place.
■ 1 p.m. SHHH Group - Ohio Edison Bldg., West River Rd., Elyria.
■ 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Lorain Cty. Gen. Health Dist. - Child Immunization Clinics, 322-6367.
■ 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safetyville Building.
■ 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - First Congreg. Church, 36363 Center Ridge.
■ 8 p.m. Hot Stove Baseball - Palmer Field.

THURSDAY 2

■ 9 a.m. Sr. Center - Men's Breakfast. 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Grief to Hope Group.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Council 7970
■ 8-9 p.m. Al Anon - New Life Community Church, 34100 Center Ridge Rd.

FRIDAY 3

■ 9 a.m. Lorain County Community Alliance - Meeting at the new Patsie C. Campana Engineering Bldg on the LCCC Campus.
■ 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Sports Safety Training - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.

Noon, Rotary Club - Sr. Center.
■ 1 p.m. Support Group for the Visually Impaired - Westlake Sr. Center, 29694 Center Ridge.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

SATURDAY 4

■ 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safety Building.

SUNDAY 5

■ 9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium A. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.
■ 6 p.m. Chicken Bar-B-Q Dinner - St. Julie Billiard Church (after 5 p.m. Mass) Adults/\$10 Children under 10/\$5. Ticket info call 327-1978.

MONDAY 6

■ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Crafts, Quilting, Lunch, Computer class.
■ 7:30 p.m. City Council Meeting - Council Chambers.

TUESDAY 7

■ 9:30 a.m. PTA Council - Middle School.
■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sr. Center - Watercolor class.
■ 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Adult CPR and Standard First Aid - The American Red

Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.

■ 6:30 p.m. Lions Club - Webster's Restaurant.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. Tops Club #656 - Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.

WEDNESDAY 8

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Quilting, Cards, Lunch, Bingo, Watercolor class.
■ 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Westlake Toastmasters #497 - Webster's Place.
■ 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safetyville Building.
■ 5:30 p.m. Adult CPR Recertification - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - First Congreg. Church, 36363 Center Ridge.

THURSDAY 9

■ 9 a.m. Sr. Center - Women's Breakfast. 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sr. Center - Pinochle Club.
■ 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Standard First Aid - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 8-9 p.m. Al-Anon - New Life Community Church, 34100 Center Ridge Rd.
■ 8 p.m. NRASL - Sr. Center.

FRIDAY 10

■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
Noon, Rotary Club - Sr. Center.
■ 6 p.m.-11 p.m. Corn Festival - Free Admission and Parking. Adult & Kiddie Rides.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.
■ 7:30 p.m. Lorain County Beekeepers Assoc. - Agricultural Center, 42110 Russia Rd., Elyria.

SATURDAY 11

■ 8:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Corn Festival - Matinee Rides noon-6 p.m. \$10; Evening Rides 5 p.m.-11 p.m. \$12.
■ 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safety

Building.

SUNDAY 12

■ 9 a.m.-noon. VFW #9871 Ladies Aux. - Country Breakfast Buffet. Cost: adults/\$4.50, seniors/\$4, children under 10/\$2.50
■ 9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium A. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.
■ Noon-8 p.m. Corn Festival - Rides \$12; 2:30 p.m. Grande Parade.

MONDAY 13

■ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Crafts, Quilting, Lunch, Computer class.
■ 7 p.m. Baseball-Softball Boosters - Park & Rec. Office.
■ 7:30 p.m. VFW #9871 Ladies Aux. - At the post.

TUESDAY 14

■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sr. Center - Watercolor class.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. Planning Commission - Council Chambers.
■ 7 p.m. Tops Club #656 - Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.

■ 7:30 p.m. School Board Meeting - Education Center.
■ 7:30 p.m. Pre-School PTA - Middle School Cafeteria.
■ 7:30 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's County Council - at the post.
■ 7:30 p.m. Garden Club

WEDNESDAY 15

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Quilting, Cards, Lunch, Bingo, Watercolor class.
■ 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Westlake Toastmasters #497 - Webster's Place.
■ 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safetyville Building.
■ 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - First Congreg. Church, 36363 Center Ridge.
■ 7 p.m. Band Boosters - Middle School Band Room.
■ 7:30 p.m. Baseball/Softball League - Park & Rec. Office.
■ 7:30 p.m. Historical Society - Old Town Hall.

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

THURSDAY 16

■ 9 a.m. Sr. Center - Men's Breakfast.
■ 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Lorain Cty. Gen. Health Dist. - Free blood pressure screening at Rite Aid Pharmacy, 34321 Center Ridge Rd.
■ 6:15 p.m. VFW #9871 Ladies Aux. - Visit to Brecksville Hospital.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. NRFL - Sr. Center.

FRIDAY 17

■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ Noon, Rotary Club - Sr. Center.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

SATURDAY 18

■ 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safety Building.
■ 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Infant and Child CPR - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 1 p.m.-4 p.m. N.R. Library - Library Centennial Open House. Drawings, prizes and free library anniversary souvenirs.

SUNDAY 19

■ 9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium A. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.
■ 10:30 a.m. St. Julie Billiard 23rd Anniversary - Outdoor Community Mass. 327-1978.

MONDAY 20

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Crafts, Quilting, Lunch, Computer class.
■ 7 p.m. Alzheimers Support Group - Gates Medical Bldg. 125 E. Broad St., Elyria.

■ 7:30 p.m. City Council Meeting - Council Chambers.
■ 7:30 p.m. NR Arts Council - First Congregational UCC Church.

TUESDAY 21

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sr. Center - Watercolor class.
■ 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Adult CPR and Standard First Aid - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 6:30 p.m. Lions Club - Webster's Restaurant.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. Tops Club #656 - Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.
■ 7:30 p.m. Dads of Foreign Service Veterans - at the post.

WEDNESDAY 22

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Quilting, Cards, Lunch, Bingo, Watercolor class. Blood pressure check.
■ 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Westlake Toastmasters #497 - Webster's Place.
■ 3:30 p.m.-6 p.m. St. Julie Billiard Church - Child Immunization Clinics, 322-6367.
■ 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safetyville Building.
■ 6:30 p.m. Civil Service Commission - Council Chambers.
■ 6:30 p.m. Weight Watchers - First Congreg. Church, 36363 Center Ridge.
■ 7 p.m. Mini Rangers Football Boosters - South Central Park Community Cabin.
■ 8 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's Meeting - at the post.

THURSDAY 23

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 8 a.m. Visitor's Bureau Committee -

34845 Lorain Rd.
■ 12 p.m., Sr. Club - Sr. Center.
■ 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Sr. Center - Pinochle Club.
■ 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Standard First Aid - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. Zoning Board Meeting - Council Chambers.

FRIDAY 24

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 9 a.m. Adult CPR Recertification - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ Noon, Rotary Club - Sr. Center.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

SATURDAY 25

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Adult CPR and Standard First Aid - The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.
■ 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safety Building.
■ Noon-3 p.m. CPR for Family and Friends - N.R. Fire Station #1, 7090 Avon Belden Rd. 327-5311.

SUNDAY 26

■ Lorain County Fair
■ 9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium A. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

MONDAY 27

■ 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Crafts, Quilting, Lunch, Computer class.
■ 7 p.m. Football Boosters Club - High School Cafeteria.

■ 7 p.m. VFW #9871 Ladies Cnt. Council

TUESDAY 28

■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Sr. Center - Book Club. 1 p.m.-4 p.m. - Watercolor class.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ 7 p.m. Survivors of Suicide and Attempted Suicide - EMH Conference Room A (8th floor).
■ 7 p.m. Tops Club #656 - Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.
■ 7:30 p.m. School Board Meeting - Education Center.

WEDNESDAY 29

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Sr. Center - Quilting, Cards, Lunch, Bingo, Watercolor class, Fishing Club.
■ 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Westlake Toastmasters #497 - Webster's Place.
■ 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate - Safetyville Building.
■ 7:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission - Multi-Purpose Room.
■ 8 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Men's Open Gym Basketball - N.R. Middle School, \$2 per night.

THURSDAY 30

■ 9 a.m. Sr. Center - Men's and Women's Breakfast.
■ 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. N.R. Parks & Rec. Dept. - Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.

FRIDAY 31

■ 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. On Target Fencing - Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.
■ Noon, Rotary Club - Sr. Center.
■ 7 p.m. Food Addicts Anonymous - St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.



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Hill concerned about cost of recent tournament

By Carol Klear

The Shady Drive Baseball Complex is considered one of North Ridgeville's gems, which is probably the reason The Ohio Emeralds organization opted to host a girls fastpitch tournament there the second weekend in July.

The national qualifying tournament attracted somewhere around 2,000 people - 2,000 people to use the fields, the parking lots, the food concession and the portable toilets.

It was a great weekend. However, during the July 25 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission, Mayor Deanna Hill said that when the revenue and expenses were tallied up, she "became concerned."

The Mayor stated, "If it were not for the concessions, we would have lost \$5." Revenue from the concessions went to the Boosters.

She said that according to figures she had, the for-profit Emeralds made nearly \$15,000 on the tournament, including the \$250 per team entry fees and the \$3 per car parking,

organizers charged.

Hill's concern, she said, was for the added labor costs and extra items required for the large crowd.

Figures compiled by Gary Teel, grounds maintenance supervisor for the city, showed revenues from the tournament at \$2,175 which included \$675 for field rental at \$25 per field, per day and \$1,500 from the Boosters concession stand. Expenses according to Teel, totaled \$1,798.96, with included \$680 for the maintenance staff, \$900 for portapots, \$66.96 for 24 bags of lime, \$20 for 100 garbage bags and \$42 for three rakes.

"We would have come up \$5 short if not for the Boosters," said Hill, adding that she would like the commission to increase the fees for the next tournament to alleviate the city's having to pickup the extra expenses.

Dennis Tenney told the commission that though the revenue tally appears good, the attitude of the tournament organizers toward the Boosters "was hostile."

He also said that Alexander's had been contracted to

serve food to visitors, and though the restaurant employees were courteous, there was no place for people to sit. "Next year we should reserve the pavilion," he said.

Tenney said, "We need to expedite the sewers and restroom facilities."

Commission member Dennis Boose said he was out there during the tournament, "There were 2,000 people at any given time." He said, "We don't want not to have things and put our best foot forward," but he said between overflowing trash cans and some porta-potties that were not usable, "things got bad," and suggested that the budget needs upgrading to provide for additional city help or insist the tournament people handle it.

"It worked out, but we have to make it better next year," he said.

Hill restated her position that the city cannot take on the added expenses.

Following the meeting Parks Director Jim Spaulding agreed, "We need to review the fee schedule."

Shannon Edwards Memorial Fund to benefit schools

Shannon Edwards touched many lives in the short time she was on earth. Family, friends, teachers and classmates were shocked and saddened by her sudden and unexpected death from pneumonia, March 12 - three weeks before her 11th birthday.

Born with a rare neuromuscular disease known as Nemaline Rod Myopathy, Shannon was faced with daily challenges throughout her life. Her health was often frail. She could not run, nor jump and had difficulty with everyday activities such as climbing stairs. Shannon, however, faced

these challenges with grace and dignity, and did not want others to know of her difficulties. Because of her sense of determination and spunky personality, many people did not even realize she had any problems.

Shannon's greatest wish in life was to be treated as a "regular kid." Thanks in a big part to the support and efforts of the North Ridgeville City Schools where she was a student; she was able to be just that. As a way of giving back to the school system and in order to memorialize her special and inspiring life, Shannon's parents, Karen and Daryl Edwards, requested that a Memorial Fund be established in her name.

The Shannon Edwards Memorial Fund, administered by the North Ridgeville Schools Endowment Fund and held and managed by the Community Foundation of Greater Lorain County, will provide a yearly disbursement to benefit gifted and enrichment programs for the North Ridgeville City Schools. Donations to the fund are welcome. Checks may be made out to North Ridgeville - Shannon Edwards Fund and sent to the Community Foundation of Greater Lorain County, 1865 N. Ridge Rd., East - Suite A, Lorain, OH 44055. For further information about the Shannon Edwards Memorial Fund or the North Ridgeville Schools Endowment Fund, please call 440-277-0142 or 440-323-4445.



Shannon Edwards



Erica Lynn St. John



Brianna Marie St. John

Sisters selected as finalists in pre-teen program

Brianna and Erica St. John, daughters of Richard and Anita St. John of North Ridgeville have been selected as finalists in the Pre-Teen Ohio Scholarship and Recognition Program to be held Aug. 3 through Aug. 5 at the Holiday Inn in Columbus.

Pre-Teen Ohio is a by-invitation only scholarship and recognition event involving young ladies seven to 12 years of age based on their school academic records, awards and honors won and/or their participation in outside activities. Additionally, young ladies are invited who have been recognized publicly for their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer services, school involvement, leadership abilities or creative talents.

State finalists will be evaluated on academic achievement, volunteer service to church and community, school honors and activities, development of personal skills and abilities, general knowledge, communicative ability and on-stage acknowledgment of accomplishments.

Pre-Teen Ohio will award over \$5000 in educational bonds, prizes and awards.

Brianna and Erica are very grateful to the following sponsors who have enabled them to attend this very prestigious state event: Donald and Yuki St. John, James and Pat Brown, Raymond and Mar St. John, Marjorie Nappi, Claudia Perez, Calvin and Joyce Ward, and Firststar Bank of North Ridgeville.

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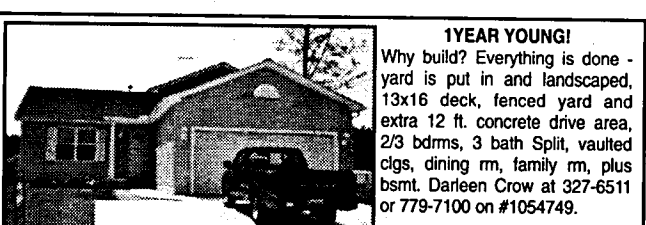
Kristifer M. Kidney has joined the United States Army, under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education. After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty.

The recruit qualifies for a \$3,000 enlistment bonus.

Kidney, a 2001 graduate of North Ridgeville High School, will report to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. for basic training.

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'Legally Blonde' is, like, rully rully funny and, like, deep and stuff

By Scott Rhee

How do you know when a blonde has been working on your computer? There's a whiteout all over the screen. Okay, that's an old joke, and I'm sure you've heard it before. How about the one about the blonde who got into law school?

Blonde has it tough. The only other segment of the population that has more crude jokes made about them is lawyers. I suppose it was only a matter of time until some Hollywood studio executives would eventually come up with the brilliant concept of combining the two favorite brunt of jokes into one blockbuster comedy. You could almost imagine the exciting dialogue in that pitch meeting:

"Hey, how about a blonde in law school?—that sounds pretty funny!"

"Yeah, that's almost as good as Arnold Schwarzenegger pregnant, or a remake of 'Godzilla', set in New York City, and starring Matthew Broderick!"

"Great! And we'll title it 'Legally Blonde'! Get it? She's blonde and in law school! It's 'The Paper Chase' meets 'Clueless'!"

Yep, those ideas just keep flowing out of Hollywood, don't they?

Robert Luketic's "Legally Blonde" may sound like a dumb high-concept movie idea churned out by illiterate studio executives (which it is), but it also surprisingly happens to be one of those dumb ideas that works.

Elle Woods (Reese Witherspoon) is the sweet-natured bubbly darling of the Delta Nu house at her Los Angeles college. She's a straight-A student in her major, fashion, and she has everything a woman could want: a perfect wardrobe, a lovable Chihuahua, the body of a Playmate, and the perfect boyfriend. Warner Huntington III (Matthew Davis) is everything a woman could want: he's handsome, he's been accepted by Harvard Law School, and he has aspirations of running for Senate one day. Unfortunately, on the night she is expecting him to propose, he dumps her instead, telling her that he needs to "marry a Jackie, not a Marilyn."

Justifiably hurt and enraged, she comes up with an idea to win him back. If it's a serious woman he wants, then it's a serious woman he'll get. So, she enrolls in Harvard Law School, passes her LSATs, wows the Admissions Board with her video essay ("Directed by a Coppola"), and gets accepted. "Like it's hard!" she replies to a dumbfounded Warner, after he asks her how she got in.

After a few bad starts, such as the discovery that Warner is engaged to the snobbish Vivian (Selma Blair), Elle soon discovers that she has a knack for this law stuff. As it turns out, Elle is actually smart, a revelation that surprises everyone, including herself. Like Alicia Silverstone's Cher in Amy Heckerling's classic 'blonde-empowerment' film "Clueless," Elle realizes that there are more important things in life than hair products, what shoes go with what outfit, and the kind of car a man drives.

With the help of a friendly third-year student and teachers' assistant, Emmett Richmond (Luke Wilson), and the encouragement of Professor Callahan (Victor Garber), Elle eventually finds herself working on a legal team in a real murder case, defending fitness guru Brooke Taylor Windham (Ali Larter), who is accused of murdering her multi-millionaire husband. All the evidence points to her, although Elle knows she couldn't have done it—Brooke's a Delta Nu!

While the film follows a pretty typical romantic comedy formula (girl meets boy, boy dumps girl, girl pursues him, girl meets other boy who is perfect for her but she is

oblivious to the fact, you know the rest...), the clever screenplay by Karen McCullah Lutz and Kirsten Smith, based on the novel by Amanda Brown, turns what could have been a one-joke film into a smart and entertaining feminist take on the romantic comedy genre.

Elle starts out as a run-of-the-mill dumb blonde because she, like millions of women (blonde or otherwise), have been duped into thinking from an early age that playing dumb will net them a man. And it does, only the men that dumb blondes net are invariably the kind that have been duped into thinking from an early age that women are nothing more than trophies to have hanging around their arms. They are men who do not see—or care to see—that women actually have minds, and some of them know how to use them.

Beneath all its silliness, "Legally Blonde" actually has a message to tell, especially to young girls being brought up in a society where superficiality rules. Elle, the stereotypical 'dumb blonde' in this film is only dumb because she has been brought up to think that she doesn't need brains, that landing a man who will take care of her financially for the rest of her life is all she needs. She is dumb only because society expects it of her. It is only until she meets someone who sees her as an equal, that she can see past her bloneness to her hidden untapped intelligence, that she begins to see herself as being capable of much more than she ever imagined possible.

Witherspoon almost single-handedly carries the film with the same charm and screen presence she has exhibited in previous roles, most notably Gary Ross's "Pleasantville", Mary Harron's "American Psycho", and Alexander Payne's "Election". Besides her obvious charm, though, Witherspoon can also act. We can't help but find her "Malibu Barbie" good looks and sorority girl cheeriness annoying at first, but we soon find ourselves swept up in Elle's transformation from dumb blonde to smart, savvy law student, and by then, we are in love.

That's not to say the supporting cast isn't worthy of note. Selma Blair ("Cruel Intentions") stands out as the petty and vindictive snobbish Vivian who can't stand Elle, on principle, until she discovers the real Elle, at which point she begins to take on aspects of humanity. Blair manages to turn a minor character into one with more depth than is usual for this kind of film. The likeable Luke Wilson ("Home Fries") also turns in a good performance as the good-natured, shy guy who secretly has a thing for Elle but is too principled to do anything about it. (He is, after all, a teacher's assistant.)

If you're familiar with the romantic comedy genre, you can probably guess how it's going to end. The difference between this film and other romantic comedies is that the obligatory "feel good" happy ending does not involve the two people who are perfect for each other finally getting together. (Well, it does, but that's not the main emphasis of the film's ending.) Instead, the film leaves the mostly young girls in the audience with the thought that they can do anything that they put their minds to—a message only an ardent male chauvinist anti-feminist would disagree with.

Blondes may have it tough, and they probably always will. (Blonde jokes may be cruel and politically incorrect, but they are funny.) But next time you decide to tell one, just remember: blondes have minds and feelings too.

So, tell a lawyer joke instead.

By Scott Rhee

My dad and I love martial arts films. The latest Jackie Chan or Jet Li film has become a traditional father-son bonding session for us, so we decided to check out Jet Li's latest actioner, "Kiss of the Dragon". Unfortunately, the theater we went to wasn't showing it, so we decided to go see "America's Sweethearts" instead.

Generally, if a film doesn't contain outrageous shoot-outs, gigantic explosions, and at least one martial-arts sequence, my father tends to get bored easily. He has, however, been known to enjoy the occasional comedy.

Personally, I'm not a big fan of romantic comedies. (Henceforth I will refer to them as 'chick flicks'.) They tend to run the gamut of torpid to ridiculous, in my opinion. Once in a blue moon, I will run across an above average chick flick that I really enjoy. Bonnie Hunt's "Return to Me" and Robert Luketic's "Legally Blonde" are two in recent years that I have liked, but for every one good chick flick there are 10 or more dreadful ones, like "Miss Congeniality".

(I realize it's a bias, but I try to approach my reviews the way I approach my news articles—objectively. It doesn't always work, as personal bias tempers one's judgment, regardless. Still, I try. I may not like romantic comedies, but I make an effort to be fair.) Anyway, my dad and I decided to see Joe Roth's "America's Sweethearts". It looked promising. With a screenplay by Billy Crystal and Peter Tolan (the team who wrote the hilarious "Analyze This") and a great cast that included John Cusack, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Billy Crystal, Julia Roberts, Stanley Tucci, Christopher Walken, and Alan Arkin, how could it go wrong?

Of course, that was the same question I was asking myself walking out of the theater after it was over.

Even my dad (who is not the most literate filmgoer, as he considers "Predator" one of the best films of the late-'80s) walked out of the theater, muttering a very profound, "That was really stupid."

I have to agree with my dad, and not because the film did not feature any good martial-arts sequences or shoot-outs.

Driving home, we decided that while parts of it were very funny, overall the film was pointless. Wavering between slapstick comedy and attempts at heavy-duty social commentary about the absurdity of Hollywood, the film falls flat on its face, succeeding only in reminding people of similar—and far superior—films, most notably

Roger Michell's "Notting Hill" (also starring Julia Roberts) and Robert Altman's witty and caustic butchering of Hollywood, "The Player" (starring everybody in Hollywood).

The plot is relatively simple, as long as you are hip to Hollywood jargon. Studio publicist Lee (Billy Crystal) must do the impossible: try to make it look like 'America's Sweethearts'—real-life Hollywood married couple Gwen Harrison (Catherine Zeta-Jones) and Eddie Thomas (John Cusack), who made headlines with their big celebrity break-up—are back together, despite the fact that Eddie has been in a nuthouse for the past year after an assault on her and Hector (Hank Azaria), the Spaniard that she had been having an affair with. Gwen, since then, has filed a restraining order against him.

The film makes the case that Hollywood actors (and their success) are completely dependent on audience approval. Since their break-up, Gwen's career has been in the toilet. Her last two movies (sans Eddie) tanked royally at the box office. Never mind that she is a horrible actress, the real reason, according to the studio, is that movie audiences do not want to see the couple apart. The studio head Kingman (Stanley Tucci) has seen the numbers. He is worried that the publicity of the break-up will hurt their last picture together, a sci-fi romantic thriller called "Time Over Time", directed by the reclusive and weird director Hal Weidman (Christopher Walken). On top of that, Hal is holding the final cut of the print hostage until the press junket, where he will show the film to thousands of national movie critics.

The panicked Kingman, thinking he has spent nearly \$80 million on a movie that hasn't even started, wants Lee to manage the press at the junket, diverting their attentions on Gwen and Eddie and off of the fact that no one has seen the movie. Enter Kiki (Julia Roberts), Gwen's younger sister and assistant. She is sugar to Gwen's malicious spice, doing everything for

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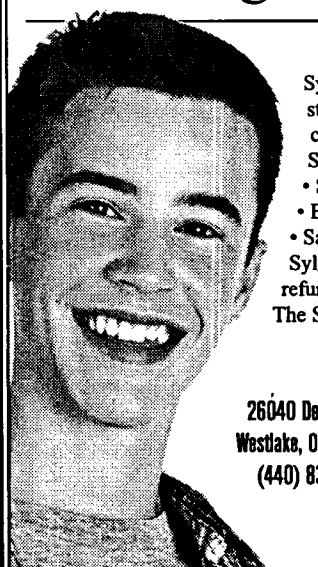
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N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting, Senior Ctr. Multi-purpose room.

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FRIDAY

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ROTARY CLUB, noon at the Office For Older Adults.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED, 1 p.m. Westlake Sr. Center, 29694 Center Ridge Rd.

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. St. John West Shore Hospital, Bldg. 2, Auditorium B. Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

SATURDAY

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. Held in the St. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Ongoing Karate class for children and adults. \$20/4 lessons. Held in the Safetyville Building. 353-0860/info.

SUNDAY

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 9 a.m. St. John West

Shore Hospital, Bldg 2, Auditorium A, Gloria 327-9492 or Kay 960-5384.

CHICKEN BAR-B-Q DINNER, 6 p.m. St. Julie Billiard Church (after 5 p.m. Mass) Adults/\$10 Children 10/\$5. Ticket info call 327-1978.

MONDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft Club, Quilting, Computer Classes. Soup for 35 cents. 353-0828/info.

ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL, 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. Free blood pressure screenings. 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Free hearing screenings. Both held at Community Outreach Center, Bldg. #2, Westlake. Sponsored by CSA/St. John Ministries.

HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. "Mourning Hearts" support group for parents who have lost a child to death. 6:30 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for people who have experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria 934-1482/info.

ALZHEIMERS SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m. Gates Medical Bldg. 125 E. Broad St., Elyria.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING, 7:30 p.m. Council Chambers.

TUESDAY

PTA COUNCIL, 9:30 a.m. Middle School.

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Watercolor Classes.

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class. \$40/month. Both classes held at the St. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 353-0860/info.

ADULT CPR AND STANDARD FIRST AID, 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.

LIONS CLUB, 6:30 p.m. Webster's Restaurant.

TOPS CLUB #656, 7 p.m. Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. Peace Mennonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Rd., Elyria. Kay 960-5384 or Gloria 327-9492.

WEDNESDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Quilting, Cards, Bingo. Lunch \$3.25 by reservation. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Watercolor class. 353-0828/info.

WESTLAKE TOASTMASTERS #497, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Webster's Place.

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Ongoing Karate held at the Safetyville Building.

ADULT CPR RECERTIFICATION, 5:30 p.m. The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter, 2929 West River Rd. North, Elyria. 324-2929.

WEIGHT WATCHERS, 6 p.m.-7 p.m. First Congregational Church, 36363 Center Ridge Rd. 1-800-487-4777/info.

Obituaries:

JAMES J. MALLOY SR.

James J. Malloy Sr., 84 of North Ridgeville died July 20 at Hospice of the Western Reserve, Cleveland following a long illness.

He was born in Durand, Mich. He had been a resident of North Ridgeville for the past 38 years moving from Cleveland.

Mr. Malloy was a foreman at General Motors Brookpark assembly plant retiring in 1980 after 35 years of service.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. Mr. Malloy was a member of the Loyal Order of the Moose in North Ridgeville and later in Elyria. He enjoyed carpentry and was an avid woodworker and enjoyed working in his yard.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years, Rose (nee Plute), a daughter, Barbara Kralic of Petersburg, Ohio; a son, James J. Malloy Jr. of South Lake, Texas; a stepdaughter Rose Magoon of Atlanta, Ga.; a stepson, Paul Sadowski of Sacramento, Calif.; seven grandchildren and a brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three grandchildren.

A memorial Mass was celebrated at St. Peter Catholic Church with the Rev. Thomas Pajk, associate pastor officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Western Reserve 300 East 185th St., Cleveland 44119.

The David Bogner Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

ROBERT C. WILLIS

Robert C. Willis, 75, of Wellington and formerly of Elyria,

died July 26 at Providence Hospital in Sandusky.

Born in Norwalk, he lived in Elyria most of his life and also resided in Florida for 16 years.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the Pacific Theatre.

Mr. Willis retired from The Chronicle-Telegram in 1985 where he was employed in the classified advertising department. He had served on the Elyria Police Department for 13 years.

He enjoyed restoring and collecting old cars and fishing.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley M. (nee Crist); daughters Deborah L. Fair, of North Ridgeville and Sandra L. Davis, of Wellington; sons Robert A., of Oberlin, Timothy J., of Crawfordville, Fla., Scott L., of Elyria, Brian K., of Monticello, Ky., and Christopher T., of Kipton; 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a half-brother.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters. Funeral services were held at Busch-Curtis-Scheffler Family Chapel, Elyria with the Rev. Jim Gordon, pastor of Elyria Baptist Church officiating.

Interment was at Ridge Hill Memorial Park.

DORTHY A. GIBSON

Dorthy A. Gibson (nee Morris), 76, of Elyria, died July 25 at the home of her daughter in North Ridgeville.

Born in Punxsutawney, Pa., she was a resident of Elyria from 1958 to 1991.

Mrs. Gibson worked at the former G.C. Murphy Co., in North Ridgeville from 1973 until it closed.

She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren and was an animal rights advocate.

Survivors include her daughter, Patricia Gibson-Nokes,

of North Ridgeville, with whom she made her home; sons Phillip W. and Dennis A., both of Elyria; five grandchildren and a brother.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years, John H., in 1986; and three brothers.

Memorials may be made to the Animal Protective League of Lorain County, 8303 Murray Ridge Rd., Elyria, 44035. The Dicken Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

LEON C. ZINGALES

Leon C. Zingales, 72, of North Ridgeville, died July 26 at St. John West Shore Hospital following an extended illness. Born in Cleveland, he resided in North Ridgeville.

He served in the U.S. Army with the exploration team for the Panama Canal Zone.

He worked in the grocery industry for 30 years and owned two specialty food stores. He then worked for and retired from Ford Motor Co. after 15 years of service.

Mr. Zingales was a member of the North Olmsted Masonic Lodge and the Elyria Moose Lodge.

He enjoyed boating, cooking and golf.

Survivors include his wife, Ann; sons Salvatore of Westlake, and Frank of Parma; daughters Rosalie Zingales, of New York City and Nancy Reis, of Brunswick; stepsons Timothy Hemsoth of Key Largo, Fla., and Mark Hemsoth, of Cleveland; stepdaughters Pam Robinson and Penny Esenwein, both of Charlotte; 12 grandchildren; a sister and a first cousin.

Graveside services were private.

The Jenkins Funeral Chapel in Westlake handled arrangements.

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her older sister out of love—a word that Gwen does not possess in her vocabulary. Kiki has secretly been in love with Eddie for years, but she has never had the guts to act on her feelings. (Unlike her sister, she actually respects the bonds of marriage.) It has been a year since the assault, and Kiki, who has lost 60 pounds (the flashback scenes with Roberts in a fat suit and make-up are pathetically laughable, simply because she looks like Roberts in a fat suit and make-up), is reunited with Eddie, who finds himself strangely attracted to her.

(Tangent: Believability is the key to success for any movie. Without it, the movie loses any credibility. For me, the attraction Eddie has for Kiki, and vice-versa, is completely unbelievable. I didn't buy it. Part of the problem is the script, which lacks any character development whatsoever. I did not understand what any of the characters saw in each other, nor did I know the characters well enough to care.)

The rest is pretty formulaic chick flick drivel. I suppose if you like that kind of stuff, you'll find "America's Sweethearts" enjoyable. Don't get me wrong, there is definitely stuff to enjoy in the film: Zeta-Jones is terrific as the completely shallow, insensitive Gwen; Walken is hilarious as the wacky auteur director (an obvious caricature of the late Stanley Kubrick); Crystal is, well, Crystal; and Arkin is a hoot as the Deepak Chopra-like doctor at the asylum, who makes comments such as "Life is a cookie," that are meant to be profound.

Unfortunately, the film under-utilizes the talents of Roberts. Perhaps if the script had left a little room to develop their characters a little more, I would have enjoyed the film a lot more. As it is, though, the film is flat, mostly dull, with few moments of fun silliness. And I say that with complete objectivity.

Personally, I agree with my dad, who said as we left the theater, "Jackie Chan is a lot funnier."

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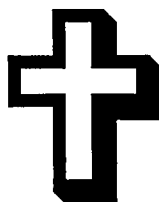
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Calvary Christian Center Pentecostal Church of God, 6001 Lear Nagle, North Ridgeville (440) 353-3593. Rev. Scott Nicoll, Sunday Services: 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.

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

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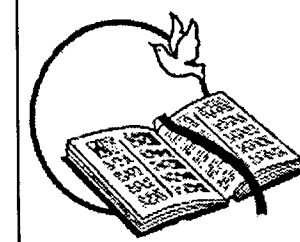
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The day's events will take place on hospital grounds and begin at 3 p.m. with a dedication of the Reflection Garden followed by an outdoor Mass at 4 p.m. celebrated by the Most Rev. Bishop A. James Quinn. The afternoon will conclude with an ice cream social at 4:45 p.m. and an outdoor band concert at 5 p.m.

The Reflection Garden, located along the hospital walking track, is designed to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine. "We wanted to pay tribute to the Sisters during their special year," said Fred M. DeGrandis, SJWS President. The Sisters' ministry began in 1851 and is still vibrant today. "The Garden provides us the opportunity to honor the Sisters as well as to provide a quiet oasis where patients and family members can find solace," DeGrandis adds.

The Reflection Garden is also home to a bronzed-finished statue of the Holy Family imported from Italy. The statue, donated by the CSA/St. John Ministries, is set within an area landscaped with plants, flowers and benches. The dedication is scheduled at 3 p.m.

Following the dedication, an outdoor Mass will begin at 4

p.m., near the outpatient registration entrance. Bishop Quinn will celebrate the Mass and in case of rain, it will be held under a large tent. The Mass' intention will be for the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine. On hand to lift voices and spirits will be the SJWS choral group. The group is comprised of about 25 hospital employees, volunteers and physicians.

The ice cream social and the band concert featuring the Patriots Community Band will occur after the Mass. The ice cream social and band concert are both sponsored by the St. John West Shore Auxiliary. Serving as a link between the community and SJWS, the Auxiliary promotes the Catholic mission of the Hospital and the care of its patients.

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□ 135 Norman Road, Thursday, 9:00am-3:00pm
□ 358 Dellwood Road, Thursday, 9:00am-4:00pm
□ 31715 Tradewinds, Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm
□ 250 Moore Road, Friday & Saturday, 9:00am-1:00pm
□ 190 Norman Ave, Saturday, 10:00am-6:00pm
□ 133 Parkway Ave., Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm
□ 208 Fay Ave., Sat., 8:30am-5:00pm & Sun., 10:00am-4:00pm
□ 31722 Leeward Court, Wed., August 8, 9:00am-4:00pm

Bay Village
□ 469 Lake Forest Drive, Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm
Lakewood
□ 10706 Clifton, Saturday & Sunday, 10:00am-5:00pm
□ Lakewood High School, Sunday, 12:00pm-4:00pm

AVON LAKE: 358 Dellwood Rd., Thursday, 08/02, 9:00am-4:00pm. Designer clothing, jewelry, Beanie Babies, 5-disc CD, mountain bike, college books, and misc items!

AVON LAKE: MOVING SALE 08/02! One Day Only! 31722 Leeward Court, (Westwinds), 9:00am-4:00pm, furniture, clothing, household glassware, keepsakes. Priced to Sell!

AVON LAKE: 250 Moore Road, Friday/Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm. Wedding dress (sm), boxing bag, rubber life raft, maternity clothing szs-8, Barbies, much misc.

AVON LAKE: 133 Parkway Avenue, Saturday 8/4, 10:00am-4:00pm. Weight bench, craft supplies, baby items, toys, clothes. Lots of good stuff.

AVON LAKE: 220 Duff Drive, Wednesday, 8/1, 5:00pm-8:00pm. Thursday, 8/2, 9:00am-noon. Moving sale. No pricing, make offer. Glassware, holiday and much misc.

AVON LAKE: 135 Norman Rd., (off Lear), Thursday Only! 08/02, 9:00am-3:00pm. Bedroom set, sectional, chairs, TV, Washer/Dryer, refrigerator, misc.

AVON LAKE: 31715 Tradewinds, Thursday/Friday 9:00am-5:00pm. Lego Land, Beanie Babies, canning supplies, furniture, software, Nintendo, clothing, household items, misc.

AVON: Multi-Family Boy Scout Sale! 3416 Center Rd., (Near Rushaven Cemetery Rt.83), Thur/Fri/Sat, 08/2-4, 9:00am-7, Tons of Stuff!

AVON: 3-family sale. 1611 Center Road (North side of I-90), Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm. Household, clothing, miscellaneous, landscaping tools.

AVON: 35485 Livingston Drive (Wyndamere Estates, off Rt.83), Friday, August 3, 8:00am-3:00pm. Toys, clothes, furniture, computer, clothing, maternity clothes, much miscellaneous.

AVON: Hugs 3-Family Sale! 35852 & 35810 Wyndamere Way, off Rt. 83. Thursday-Saturday 10:00am-6:00pm. Nice clothing, mens women's and infants, computer monitor and printer, furniture, lawn mower, air purifier, exercise equipment, household items, lots and lots of miscellaneous.

BAY VILLAGE: 469 Lake Forest Drive, off Wolf. Huge Sale. Furniture, household items, furniture, misc. Lots of Bargains!!!

ROCKY RIVER: 22045 Lake Road, Thursday, 9:00am-5:00pm. Remodeling sale. Couch, coffee table, oak bookshelves, patio furniture, office furniture, butcher block table, more! Light fixtures (brass, glass, leaded glass, old crystal), books, games, electronics.

SHEFFIELD LAKE: 4340 Lake Road (corner of Lake & Greenwood), Thursday, 8/2, 9:00am-5:00pm. Large 5 family sale.

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Lakewood 7th Annual CLOTHING SUPER SALE!
1000's of Items. Infant-Adult. Good Condition. Great Prices!
Sunday, August 5,
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LAKEWOOD: 10706 Clifton (Rt. 90 to W. 117th, N. to Clifton, then East). Clothing and garage sale. All day Saturday & Sunday, 9:00am-5:00pm.

NORTH OLMSSTED: 30837 Bradley Road, August 2, 3, 4, 9:00am-4:00pm. Household items, much more!

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 35197 Greenich Ave., Fri/Sat, 8/3-4, 9:00am-6:00pm. (dresses, shears, hardware, 54Lx60W/54Lx35W), books, records, puzzles, rugs, clothes, misc.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 35206 Chestnut Ridge Rd., Thursday, 08/02, 9:00am-4:00pm. Great Bargains! All proceeds donated to N.R. Republican Party, EDNA Committee. Look for the Elephant.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: Multi-Family Sale! 6010 Jaycox Rd., Thur/Fri, 08/2-03, 8:00am-4:00pm. Toys, baby misc, clothes, household, furniture. Great Deals!

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 35215 Downing Avenue, off Jaycox. Computers only, 9:00am-3:00pm. Computers, 100 3/4" copper coil, chain saw, Tapco-glids, bicycles, records, carpets, miscellaneous.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 8915 Diane Drive (off Root & Lorain Road), Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm. Toys, clothes and miscellaneous.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 6035 Opal Street, Saturday, 8/4, 9:00am-5:00pm. Sunday, 8/5, 9:00am-3:00pm. Huge multi-family sale. Lots of different items.

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NORTH RIDGEVILLE: Multi-Family, 35243 Lorain Road, Thursday & Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm. Toys, infant-adult clothing, household items, and lots of miscellaneous.

NORTH RIDGEVILLE: 33074 Cedar Branch Circle, Thursday-Friday, 9:00am-4:00pm. Downsizing. Sale! Household, tools, furniture, jewelry. Lots of good stuff! Cash only.

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SHEFFIELD LAKE: Stuff Sale! 263 Cove Beach, 8/2-3, 9:00am-2:00pm. No Early Sales. Tools, fishing, workshop. (Lots of old stuff mens & ladies). Sorry no kids stuff.

SHEFFIELD LAKE: 343 Gayle Drive, Friday & Saturday, 8:00am-2:00pm. 1996 Jayco camper, covered sand box, luggage set, dishes, pet carriers, carpet machine, much more.

SHEFFIELD LAKE: 777 Community Dr., Fri/Sat, 8/3-4, 8:00am-2:00pm. Sega, video games, bird cage, Pokemon cards, housewares, much miscellaneous!

WESTLAKE: Lots of Stuff! 23500 Westwood Road, August 4-5 Saturday and Sunday. Not before 9:00am-4:00pm.

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- Power Windows & Locks
- Captain's chairs
- 16" Cast Aluminum Wheels



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Sale Price \$21,390 includes \$1500 rebate

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Brand New 2000 F-250 SNOW PLOW

V8, Auto, A/C, Meyers Snow Plow

\$23,990

Brand New 2000 TAURUS SES SEDAN

4V V6, Auto, Mach Audio, Full Power

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Turbo-Diesel, Auto, XLT Waldeck Conversion

\$32,780

Brand New 2002 Ford Explorer XLS 4WD

- 4.0L SOHC V6
- Automatic
- Power Window
- Power Locks
- Speed Control
- Tilt Wheel
- Independent Rear Suspension



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\$1770 Plus Tax & Plates Due At Lease Start
BONUS \$750 EXPLORER OWNER LOYALTY REBATE & \$1000 RELEASE REBATE CURRENT EXPLORER OWNERS LEASE

Brand New 2001 EXPEDITION

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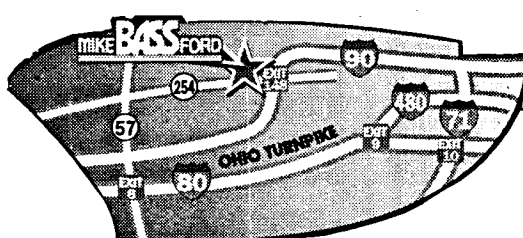
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