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## Candidates take center stage in Chamber of Commerce Forum

By Carol Klear

In a two-hour public forum, sponsored by the North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce at Lake Ridge Academy Oct. 13, candidates for state representative in the 57th District including county commissioners, prosecutors and engineers offered their views on education, taxes and the economy.

Candidates for state representative: Democrat Deanna Hill, Republican incumbent Earl Martin, Independent Kenneth Prechtel.

All three candidates agree the cost of education in Ohio continues to be a major problem and Hill, a former school teacher, wasted no time in criticizing Martin's plan to keep Ohio's college graduates in Ohio.

Accountability and testing are the goals of today's educators, Hill said.



Candidates for state representative, from left; Democrat Deanna Hill, Republican incumbent Earl Martin, Independent Kenneth Prechtel. P&L photo by Frank Corsello

"People pay 67 percent more for education in Ohio (than other states)," she said. "The education fund should be fixed first."

Martin, who replaced the late Jeff Manning as state representative last year, introduced a proposal that would forgive college loans at the rate of one-tenth per year as a tax credit, to college graduates who stayed in Ohio for 10 years after graduation.

Hill also chided Martin for "voting for the largest tax increase in Ohio history his first day on the job."

Martin, a business owner, said previously he had been on council in Avon Lake for seven years where he was "known as a watchdog" and he said he is doing the same thing in Columbus.

The incumbent said major tax reform is needed in Ohio.

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## Albright faces an enthusiastic audience and some tough questions at LRA

By Carol Klear

Former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was the keynote speaker at this year's Diversity Forum at Lake Ridge Academy held Oct. 14 and students greeted her with excitement, enthusiasm and some tough, tough questions.

Albright brought to this year's theme, "Women and Immigrants in American Life in the 21st Century," the story of her own relocation from Czechoslovakia, where she was born, to the United States where she became a naturalized citizen and the first female secretary of state.

Albright earned a B.S. from Wellesley College in 1959, a master's degree in international affairs in 1968 and her Ph.D. in 1976.

One of her proudest moments, Albright told her audience, was July 4, 2000 when she swore in a group of new citizens, telling them, "I have the same paper as you have."

Albright said she and her family left Czechoslovakia when she was 2 years old due to the political climate, but returned. However, they left a second time and arrived in the U.S., Nov. 11, 1948.

The climb to the renown and respect Albright now holds was not an easy one.

"I worked very hard," she said. "And I made a lot of coffee, a lot of good coffee, and I Xeroxed a lot."

She offered a bit of wisdom to the students and stressed, "The shortest distance between two points is not necessarily a straight line."

"It was not easy to be a woman and it didn't get any easier," Albright said.

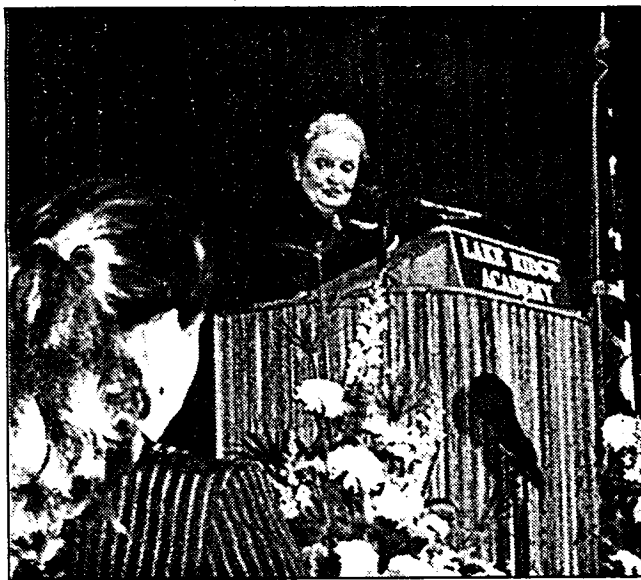
One student wanted to know if, as a woman, she found it difficult dealing with foreign leaders.

"It was probably harder in my own government," she said, noting that the men around her still saw her as a "car pool mom" as well as through the other stages of her life.

She said that there were advantages and disadvantages to being the first woman secretary of state, however she admitted being proud to have been the last secretary of the 20th Century and the first of the 21st Century.

Albright told the students that things are different

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Former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright answers a student's question during the recent Diversity Forum at Lake Ridge Academy.

## Commission gives preliminary approval to Sandy Ridge Subdivision

By Carol Klear

Nearly a dozen people showed up at the planning commission meeting last week to look at plans for a proposed subdivision to be located off Center Ridge Road, east of Case Road.

Developer John O'Neil and Bob Yost, president and owner of Yost Construction, asked the commission for preliminary approval for Sandy Ridge Subdivision to be built on 42 acres in an R-1/B-3 district.

Prior to discussing the proposal, secretary Donna

Tjotjos read a letter from Estes Express Lines, 38495 Center Ridge Road. The company was unable to send a representative to the meeting, but had several concerns about the project, including the proximity of a subdivision to an industrial zone. The letter stated that the location might not appeal to prospective homeowners.

"We would be happier if the plans were developed in another location," the letter said.

Mayor Dave Gillock said he was concerned about putting a sewer line in the backyards, which would require an easement.

"People can't put up structures (on easements)," he said.

Yost said he agreed with the mayor and would discuss the issue with engineering firm, KS Associates.

Planning Chairman Ron Schwachenwald explained that the proposal is in the initial stage and must go through a number of steps before the final plan is approved.

Commission member Jim Rothgery questioned the

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## School bus driver tells city view of oncoming trains blocked at tracks

By Carol Klear

Armed with colored photos, North Ridgeville City Schools bus driver Carol Blaser, told council Monday night that crossing the railroad tracks at Chestnut and Maddock roads several times each day has become a safety hazard because overgrown shrubs and weeds block drivers' vision of oncoming trains.

"When we pull up at Chestnut Ridge Road, we can't see a thing," Blaser said. "We have to pull up on the track."

"We're an accident waiting to happen," she said, adding that after the school bus drivers contacted the railroad, they immediately took care of their property and the rest is up to the city.

Blaser said sometimes the crossing gates do not come down, as well.

"I think the city needs to help us," she said.

Councilwoman Bernadine Butkowski, a former bus driver, agreed with Blaser.

"It's extremely difficult to see down the tracks," she said. "The greenery keeps growing up."

Safety Service Director Denny Johnson promised that the situation would be taken care of immediately.

Mayor Dave Gillock reminded council that one of his priorities as mayor is to widen Center Ridge Road. Monday night the legislators passed an ordinance authorizing him to hire engineering firm Burgess & Niple to conduct a traffic/environmental study of Center Ridge at a cost not to exceed \$190,000.

"The majority of funds (for the study) are from the street levy not the general fund," Gillock said. "This is a high priority for this administration."

"This is an exciting step," Council President Ron Arndt said.

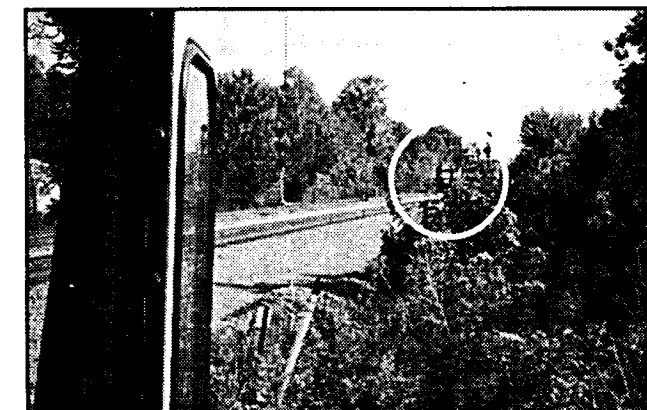
Storm water management is a serious issue and for the past several council meetings City Engineer Larry Griffith has been reporting on different aspects of the concern. But when Griffith's data, Monday night, focused on reducing water in toilets, snickers rippled throughout council chambers.

"Water usage in tank-type toilets have received considerable press in recent years," the engineer said. The previous practice of putting bricks or weighted plastic containers in toilet tanks to reduce the amount of water used sometimes caused the bowl to leak.

Griffith explained that today, the Ohio Building Code calls for new toilets to use 1.6 gallons or less per flush, rather than 5 gallons per flush as most use.

"The replacement cost can be recouped in two to three years just from the water and sewage bill savings," he said. "And just think, if all toilets were changed over, it would lift a huge burden on the water supply and waste water treatment for the city."

During lobby, former councilwoman Gail Minnick told



This photo taken from inside a North Ridgeville school bus at the Maddock Road railroad tracks shows the growth that nearly hides the oncoming train from view.

council she had been reviewing information in her files from her days on council, including an agreement for the Westerly Sewers in which FJD (Dettore) and Forest City developers agreed to donate an 80-ft. right-of-way for a

public use street. Minnick also said that originally Race Road was to have been a north-south road, however as Otten Road resident Joe Antush noted during the Oct. 4 meeting, a water valve was installed on Race Road thwarting the idea.

Minnick told council that during the Oct. 15, 2000 public hearing, developer Frank Dettore talked about the 36-hole golf course he was planning. At the time Dettore complained that if attorney Gerald Phillips and his group won their lawsuit against the city to take the Waterbury and Meadow Lakes PCDs to voters, the city would lose the proposed golf course.

Dettore dropped plans for a golf course some time ago.

"I'll remind this council that neither Waterbury nor Meadow Lakes ever went to the voters and Mr. Phillips' group' in no way affected the two PCDs," Minnick said. "However, it doesn't appear these PCDs are being built as proposed and approved."

Minnick said she was "surprised and disheartened" that no one on council remembered what had been proposed previously or checked the files in the council clerk's office before approving legislation that overturned the amenities promised.

## Road Map to Progress

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*Deanna Hill*

Deanna L. Hill

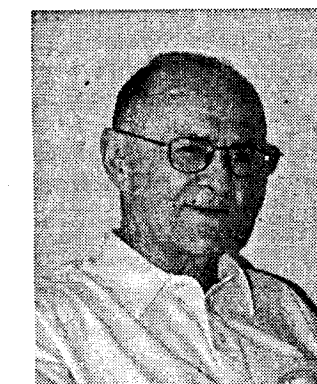
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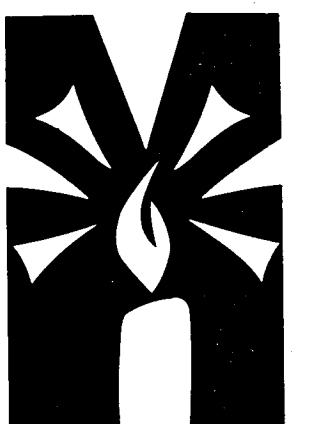


Bill Henley  
Former Rehab Resident  
Rae-Ann Suburban

Bill Henley came to Rae-Ann Suburban in late August after undergoing hip replacement surgery. He and his daughter Paige toured Rae-Ann prior to the surgery to learn more about the rehab program there and to meet the staff. While many people know Rae-Ann for its skilled nursing and long term care options, few people realize the quality of therapy services that are available to those who, like Bill, need some extra short term help after knee or hip replacement surgery.

From the beginning, Bill was impressed with the friendliness of everyone at Rae-Ann and the cleanliness of the facility. Of his five children, three live in the area. Rae-Ann's convenient location was another plus for the family during Bill's convalescence.

Throughout his period of rehabilitation, Bill benefited from the expertise of Abel Dorantes, Director of Therapy Services, and all of the rehab staff. When Bill was preparing to return home, Abel visited his apartment and made recommendations that would help Bill make a smooth transition from short term rehab to his home. There Bill continues to regain his strength surrounded by pictures and cards from his 5 children and 13 grandchildren. Though he is not able to drive long distances yet, Bill stays in touch with family and friends through email. He is eager to get back to being "out and about" and is sure that, with the help from Rae-Ann, it will be very soon.



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### All God's creatures

In honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Stephen Kaminski, pastor of St. Peter Catholic Church blessed all pets great and small that gathered on the church grounds, Oct. 3. P&L photo by Carol Klear



# Politicians not only talk the talk at election time, they really walk the walk as well

**LOTS OF WORK.....**Getting elected to just about any office is no "walk in the park," in fact it's more a walk in the neighborhoods. Just ask Deanna Hill and Earl Martin, the Democrat and Republican candidates for state representative. Hill the challenger is fading away to a shadow, thanks to what she terms the "door-to-door diet," while the incumbent, Martin, relies on a couple of pain killers for a bum knee to aid his daily five-mile treks. I haven't talked with Ken Prechtel, but hopefully he's doing OK. Good luck to all as they race...er...a...walk to the Nov. 2 finish line.

**MORE WORK.....**If you didn't get to help with the paint-up, fix-up Rally in

## KLEARLY SPEAKING

the Park, Oct. 9, at least drive through South Central's parking lot and you'll notice how much fresher everything looks, from the picnic tables to the parking stops. Thanks for coming, Home Depot.

**MORE CRITTERS.....**As I got to the fire department last Thursday, I spotted a fat little wooly bear struggling along the walk, which reminds me, aren't wooly bears sort of unofficial weather prognosticators? As the story goes, if a brown band on the little slowpoke is wide, we'll have a mild winter, but if it's

narrow, the snow is expected to be deep and last well into April. I was so surprised to see the fuzzy little thing I never measured the width of his brown band.

**WANTED TO HELP.....**As Safety Service Director Denny Johnson was giving one of the parking stops a coat of yellow paint during the rally, a teeny, tiny spider wanted to get in on the act and walked right through the new paint job. I wonder if Mrs. Spider believed the story of how he got those nice bright yellow boots.

**KUDOS.....**Lake Ridge Academy held its daylong Diversity Forum last week,

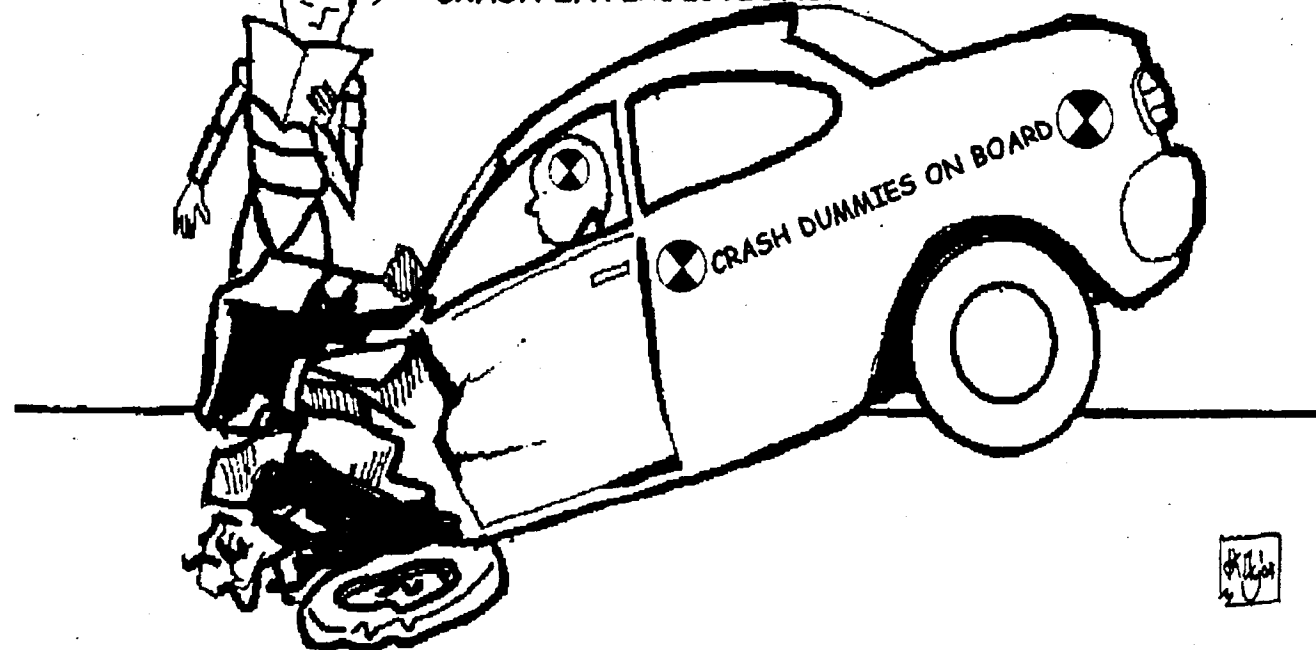
which included students from six counties. Once again it was a wonderful success and the keynote speaker, former secretary of state Madeleine Albright, was informative and personable and answered students' questions with candor, touched in some cases with humor. Dr. Chandana Mozumdar, dean of Lake Ridge students, shared with the audience that the day after the forum she would be sworn in as a United States citizen and that Albright's presence was her gift. Congratulations, Dr. Mo.

**TAKE A TOUR.....**Since I was a little girl I've always enjoyed seeing Christmas lights. These days Halloween ranks right up there in decorating, so take a drive and check out the fun.

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Ed Kelly

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## PRESSLINE

**Caller:** The same person who has called for several weeks concerning busing issues called last week questioning whether or not a driver has been suspended from the job. She also asked again about "glitches" that would have drivers at the bus garage in case they are needed.

**Response:** Assistant Superintendent Dave Livingston said a bus driver has been reassigned to a desk position, however there has been no decision on the alleged situation and there may not be for several months. We feel it inappropriate to discuss or even speculate on an allegation at this point.

Concerning so-called "glitches," Livingston said that last year some of the buses did not run according to schedule due to the city's growth, however with this year's reduction in busing, the problem does not exist. The caller also feels drivers should call in the previous night if they are

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## If things in life happen for a reason; do they have to be bad?

Someone once said, "everything in life happens for a reason." I tend to agree with that statement, but I often find myself wondering why seemingly bad things tend to happen to me. I fear a dark cloud is looming over my head and if it does not leave soon, I may find myself drowning in a puddle of gloom.

In the past weeks, I have found myself thumbing through the yellow pages in search of repair technicians more than I have in my entire life.

First, I made a visit to the dentist for a regular cleaning. It was here, after the dental hygienist scraped and poked my teeth for at least 20 minutes, I learned that I have a cavity. I have not had a cavity in 15 years and as I remember, the last time I had one filled I am pretty sure I had a panic attack when the Novocain shot was inserted into my gum. Remember, this is coming from the woman who is terrified of needles.

As if finding out I have a cavity was-



Reporter's  
Notebook

By Melissa Linebrink

n't bad enough, the following day I was starting to wash clothes in our washing machine when all of a sudden a strange noise was erupting from the machine.

"The machine is only 4 years old and it's a Kenmore, it cannot possibly need to be replaced," I thought to myself as I called Sears to see if the machine was still under warranty. Of course, since I have the dark cloud of doom hanging over my head, the warranty did indeed already expire two years ago. So, then I asked if they could send someone out to repair the

machine. "Sure, the next time we can send someone out will be in one week," the lady told me.

One week! Was she nuts? I could not wait one week for my machine to be repaired.

So, I went to the yellow pages and found a place where they sent out the repairman to my house the same day. Come to find out, the pump was being clogged by one of my son's socks. I was just happy the entire unit did not need to be replaced.

As if that were not enough to ruin the month of October, last week, I was on my way to the Yellow Barrel of Magic for a photo when as I got out of my SUV I noticed a nail in one of the tires.

Thinking the tire could be sealed where the nail was, I hopped in the vehicle and took a trip to A & C Tire. Once again, the cloud of doom was hanging over me because a job that was suppose to cost roughly \$5 ended up

costing me \$65 because the tire had to be replaced. So, there I sat in the lobby of the auto shop while Ethan, my son, wanted to run and touch every single tire on display and play with the water dispenser.

I do not know if these bad things in my life are being done as a form of punishment. Perhaps the "Man Above" is going to send us a money tree that actually produces money when planted to pay for our misfortunes.

I do know that many people have more difficult and serious problems going on in their lives than I do. Too bad all of the problems could not be erased and replaced by happy ones, at least in our memory.

Story ideas...Do you have a story idea that you think would make for a great feature in The Press & Light? Send the idea my way via e-mail at melissalinebrink@excite.com or call the newsroom at (866) 732-1240.

## Today's children, tomorrow's voters

To the Editor:

In a world that is rapidly advancing, today's children need the best education possible. Many of the careers that children entering elementary school this year will have, do not even exist yet. North Ridgeville City Schools have not asked for any new money since 1995. Since that time great strides in education have been made. Even with state and federal mandates increasing without additional government funding, our schools have improved proficiency scores and our school district has learning standards that are higher than the state requirements. This has been accomplished through the hard work and dedication of North Ridgeville's quality teachers, administrators and with wise money management.

Today's children are the voters we will depend on tomorrow. In order for North Ridgeville's children to succeed they need the help of their community. Strong schools and a strong community go hand in hand. It is my hope that on Nov. 2, the parents and the community of North Ridgeville will vote YES for the future of our children and our schools.

Denise Geyer-Keller  
North Ridgeville

## Kids are the future

To the Editor:

Just ask yourself, "what is important?" My family and I have lived here for four years. Since moving from the east side, we've fallen in love with this small, quaint community. The feel of this town is friendly and caring. Some of the things that attracted us here were the low crime rate and the schools. The east has high taxes that were mismanaged.

The U.S. and state governments keep slamming us with more school programs and regulations, yet they do not provide the funds. The levy will help put back some of the cut funds. It's not much to contribute, maybe not going out to dinner once that month or cut out going to the movies once a month (heck, rent a movie, it's much cheaper).

The growth of the city is welcome and one of the things that attract businesses here is the outlook of the future. The kids are our future. Everything is all connected. The spirit and pride of the city is in us and must reflect to our children, our future. Before you decide that you can't afford to spend any more money, get informed. Then, vote as to what your priorities are.

Rebecca Williams  
North Ridgeville

## Vote yes for the schools

To the Editor:

Please vote for the school levy. It's so important for the future of our kids and our city. They are the future of this city and they need to have every opportunity that we had as kids. Even if you don't have kids in the school system, think of your property. If we have a good school system, the property value increases. I have heard parents complain because they have kids who attend schools outside North Ridgeville and they are upset because their kids aren't getting bused. Yet, they won't vote for the levy. I have always voted for the school issues even when my kids were in private schools and I didn't have anyone in the system. I felt it was the right decision. I paid tuition and paid for other kids to go to school by voting for the levies. Yes, it was my choice and was the right choice to make.

Why is it we don't think twice about protecting our assets in our financial portfolios but when it comes to the true assets of this city, our kids, some people are reluctant? Maybe because they think it doesn't affect them but if they are homeowners it will affect them. Remember one of your biggest assets is your home.

Believe enough not only in our kids, but also this community. We live in a great city. Help it to be even better. Vote yes for the schools on election day.

Cyndy Bruewer  
North Ridgeville

## Schooled on levy

To the Editor:

Now that there has been much discussion concerning whether it is legal or ille-

gal to fund schools via property taxation, let us now review some facts.

The renewed contract regarding no increase in wages may very well be true and dealing with the base pay. The committee for the levy should explain the step salary to the voter. Educators with a BA or MA degree will not start at base salary. These teachers will also receive pay raises by the step salary up to 26 levels. This in fact constitutes a pay increase or raise. The matter of fringe benefits is not in doubt. One that stands out is the number of sick and personal days in a work year that consists of roughly 186 days. Teachers are given 1.25 days per month or 15 days since their contract is for 12 months and these days can be carried over. Also three personal days are allowed. One can imagine the cost of providing a substitute teacher for these 18 days.

Furthermore, there is what is known as supplemental contract extra duty ranging from 24 percent of base pay for an assistant athletic director to 2 percent for an elementary spelling bee director. This tells me no one is working for free. A well-known ploy to get the desired vote is to not bus students within two miles of the school. I have witnessed buses half full driving past stops that last year the children were picked up. Where is the savings and remember, these households are already taxpayers.

Does the committee want more truth? As stated in other letters, there has been no increase in wages or fringe benefits, then there is "no" need for another school levy.

J. Brouse  
North Ridgeville

## Canfield most qualified

To the Editor:

Voting for a new county commissioner should not be taken lightly. Administering the affairs of our county is a multi-million dollar business requiring successful organizational and management skills. Rita Canfield is most qualified to be our next county commissioner.

A graduate of Bowling Green State University, she has served as a LaGrange Township trustee for six years. Currently she is also serving a second term as president of the Board of Trustees of the Community Foundation of Greater Lorain County. In addition, she is a member of the Board of Trustees of Lorain County Community College. Her management skills have helped strengthen all organizations.

Her opponent, Ted Kalo, has shown questionable management skills. As a small business owner, he has been served with seven judgments by the State of Ohio totaling more than \$46,000 for non-payment of state sales taxes. This is inexcusable. When making a purchase you and I are obliged to pay this tax up front and it is the merchant's responsibility to make payment to the state...no ifs ands or buts. Making matters worse is that a good portion of the money collected for sales taxes comes back to our county to be used for various purposes. This is unfair to all who make Lorain County their home. I will be voting for Rita Canfield in November. She is by far the better choice. As voters and residents of this county, I hope you will too.

George E. Smith  
North Ridgeville

## Supports Eric Flynn

To the Editor:

A county commissioner needs a significant amount of management experience. With all due respect to those outgoing commissioners, it is time for a change.

Eric Flynn has been endorsed by both county newspapers for good reason. He has a great deal of management experience and ability to make sound judgments, stick by his decisions and follow through.

Equally important is that Mr. Flynn is not a politician. He's a manager and we don't need partisan politics getting in the way of managing the county affairs.

Mr. Flynn's opponent is Lori Kokoski. With due respect, Ms. Kokoski is a politician. She has served on the Lorain City Council for the past three years. The Lorain City Council is renowned for its refusal to compromise with the mayor. We don't need that type of attitude on the County Commission. We don't need poli-

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

tics getting in the way of good sound management.

Eric Flynn has a no nonsense attitude. He's not going to let politics get in the way of sound judgment.

Just an opinion of myself and many others.

Mark S. Zajaros,  
North Ridgeville

## Mayor supports schools, police

To the Editor:

When North Ridgeville residents go to the polls this Nov. 2, it will be a long ballot with five county candidates, one state race, a presidential contest and four issues to be decided as well as seven local charter amendments to vote on. Sometimes, when we get inundated with all the political rhetoric, quality of life issues get buried among all the TV ads, yard signs, debates and fund-raisers.

I would like to address the police and school levies. Both are issues that will affect how we live today and our future in living the American dream. None of us wants more taxes. However, until the state legislature changes our funding mechanisms, this is the primary way we have to fund government at the local level. Our police department has not asked for new money in 28 years. We have had to cut back on staffing already, to the point that we are the second lowest per capita in the county. The schools continue to deal with the ramifications of HB 920, which caps the amount of money a levy can bring in, regardless of growth in the city, increased student enrollment or escalating expenses.

We need to support both of these levies if we want to keep the safety we enjoy and deserve, properly educate our children and grandchildren and maintain the value of our homes. Please join me in voting yes for the police and school levies Nov. 2.

G. David Gillock  
Mayor, North Ridgeville

## A vote for issue 46 is 'right thing'

To the Editor:

Did you know that the State of Ohio's school funding formula considers North Ridgeville a "wealthy" district? As our community grows in property value, the state will continue to reduce the amount of money the school district receives per pupil. What this means is that now more than ever it is up to the citizens of North Ridgeville to help prepare the community's children for their future. Each generation before has met this commitment. We believe that the current North Ridgeville residents want to do the "right thing" by continuing this legacy of hope and opportunity.

Co-chairs of the Citizens for Better Schools and committee volunteers have seen a growing positive reaction from citizens. The 500 yard signs you see about town and the efforts of the numerous campaign volunteers, reflect the urgency and positive momentum people are feeling about our schools. We would like to publicly thank the volunteers who have helped provide this process with a soul and energy that is unparalleled.

The schools are not perfect, but they have improved. The efforts in the buildings by staff and teachers, guided by focused leadership, have led to progress. Tough decisions, guided by a desire to preserve education, have stretched our tax monies for nine years-even as enrollment grows and unfunded requirements mount. Now we as citizens are at a fork in the road with a choice to make: to move forward or fall back.

"Moving forward," means restoring cuts and being able to prepare the children of North Ridgeville to successfully compete for jobs and/or college. Moving forward means continued growth in our

property values. Doing the right thing is not often easy.

This Nov. 2, we urge you to vote for strong schools and a strong community.

On Nov. 2, vote for issue 46-it's the "right thing" to do.

Sandy Gasior,  
Joel Keller,  
Tissy Simon  
North Ridgeville

## Message to my community

To the Editor:

We can be seen as just one small community, modest and ordinary, yet we are an important puzzle piece in the big picture called America. We are a work in progress, combined with many different aspects and designs, choices and freedoms, a collection of sameness and differences that together are a beautiful montage. If you look very closely, you are there in that tiny collage.

The community's children are counting on us to make the right decision because they themselves have no voice in this election. For our community to be whole, our young people must be valued. They need and deserve our vote.

Maybe you have no kids or your children are grown, but when you were younger someone was there to vote for your needs. You need to be there for our young people, just like they will be there for you as the healthcare worker, the clerk and the policeman. If we treat our community's youngest members with the honor and care they deserve, they will reward us by growing up to treat our community and world with the same respect and consideration tomorrow.

While everything else costs more and we get less, our schools offer a value that is far above standard and typical. We have more children learning, achieving and excelling than ever before, all the while in our modest buildings. Our schools put more of our budget towards instruction and pupil services than the state average. We have fewer administrators per child than most other communities in the area.

Our administration has juggled our school system's resources, keeping the children's educational needs as their priority, doing their best to keep from damaging what we have already built. We are at the point where there is little left to cut. We have our principals out there directing traffic on school days, and many teachers spending their own money on supplies for our students.

Look at the facts and do the math. The levy covers just the schools system's basic needs not anything extravagant. It takes \$13 a month to support this levy if you live in a \$100,000 home, about 25 bucks a month if you live in a \$200,000 house. That boils down to less than 25 cents an hour per school day, for qualified teachers and building services. These are not babysitters, they are educated and dedicated people, many with master's degrees, who are putting our children first. They are also our friends and neighbors; the school system is one of the top employers in our district.

While you are in that voting booth, realize that it is your opportunity and privilege to do the right thing. Remember that someone else helped out when you were younger, now it is your turn. We will all be better for it.

Take the opportunity you are given and do the right thing. Vote for our community's schools in the upcoming levy. And while you are at it, talk with someone about this issue, a neighbor, a friend. Let them know you feel their participation is important. Issue 46 is good for all of us.

Cindy Morris-Firak  
North Ridgeville

## PRESSLINE, continued

unable to drive on a particular day, however there are times emergencies or illnesses do not become apparent until morning.

**Response:** Last week we were unable to provide an answer about a caller's contention that each of the superintendents (the superintendent and two assistant superintendents) has three secretaries and the secretaries

have secretaries, etc. Livingston assured us that each administrator has only one secretary, now titled "administrative assistant," and they do not have three secretaries, as alleged. Livingston said the only one who has three is the school treasurer and that is due to the nature of the position and the responsibilities of that office. There is one administrative assistant to handle accounts payable, one for accounts receivable and one for payroll.

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# Vineyards and wineries bountiful along Lake Erie coast

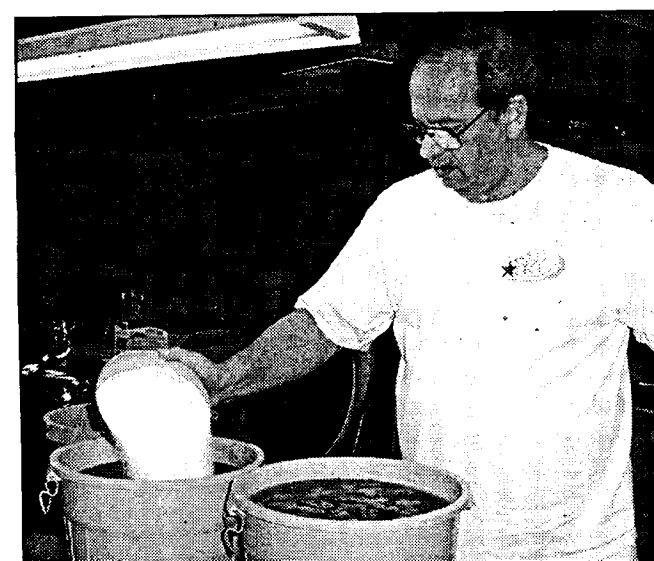
By Melissa Linebrink

**Editor's note:** Today is the second of a three part series focusing on local vineyards and wineries in our readership area. Part one focused on where local vineyards and wineries are located today. Today's installment will allow readers to take a step back in time to see how grapes were harvested and how wine was produced before today's technology. Part three will center on where these vineyards and wineries are today in their production.

## Part II

Since the late 1800s, the land along the coast of Lake Erie has been referred to as the "Lake Erie Grape Belt." By the turn of the century, thousands of gallons of wine were being produced by local wineries on or near the Lake Erie Islands. However, vineyards were soon planted along the entire southern shore of Lake Erie and included the cities of Avon Lake, Avon, Sheffield, Sheffield Lake and North Ridgeville.

Just as time has changed the number of vineyards in the area, it has also changed the way grapes are harvested and how wine is produced.



Winemakers, and Galippo (above) will sometimes add sugar to sweeten the batch of grapes before fermenting.

## Harvesting the grapes

Allan Klingshirm and his son, Lee, are the current owners and operators of Klingshirm Winery Inc. located on Webber Road in Avon Lake.

Allan remembers his father, Albert, having to hand pick the grapes and put them in a crate. Today, the men use a mechanical harvester, as many vineyards in the area use.

"Their hands used to be all purple," Allan said remembering back to when his father and others worked the acres of vineyards.

Avon resident Ed Schober Jr. harvests an estimated 24 acres of grapes each year.

"In the 1950s, my dad would hire seasonal help and about 15 to 20 of them were Greek women from Lorain," Schober said. "They made about \$1 per hour and were happy with that. They would come and work in the vineyards and talk in Greek all day and during lunchtime, they would sit under a tree and spread out a blanket and eat their lunch. Often times they would ask us to sit with them, but we were too busy harvesting the grapes."

Schober said his father, Ed Schober Sr., would pack the grapes in 40-pound wood-

en beer crates.

"The crates were then taken to the loading station on the south side of the railroad tracks on SR 83, near today's Dalglish Garden Center, where there was a scale that would weigh the crates," Schober said. "All produce growers in the area would take their harvest there."

Avon native Mary Morahan, whose father A.J. Nagel owned the Nagel Vineyard/Winery on the corner of Detroit and Lear roads, said after wooden crates were no longer used to transport grapes, the farmers began using plastic boxes.

"The plastic boxes would be put on a cart and wheeled along in the vineyard," Morahan said, adding it made it easier to carry the grapes.

According to Mac McClelland, operator of John Christ Winery on Walker Road in Avon Lake, grapes are usually harvested during the latter part of September or the beginning of October.

At the time when grapes were hand-picked, Schober said it would take one day to gather 6 tons of grapes, which equaled about 1 ton in two hours.

After the mechanical harvester was invented between 1968 and 1970, the amount of grapes gathered in one day increased. Today, the mechanical harvester can pick about 1 acre per hour and that accounts for 6 tons of grapes per hour, Schober explained.

As for North Ridgeville, according to home winemaker Roger Galippo, the land is not suited for mass production of vineyards and that is why no one in North Ridgeville was successful at growing grapes.

"If you live close to the ridges in town, the soil is mostly soil; and if you do not live on a ridge, the land is mostly clay as a person digs," Galippo said.

## Wine presses

In 1940, Albert Klingshirm built a small winery that consisted of two levels. The basement portion housed the fermentation tanks and 200 50-gallon wooden barrels that stored the wine. The ground level room served as a bottling, storage and sales room. The wine press was stored on a nearby farm.

According to Allan, after the grapes were hand-picked, they were then placed on cotton clothes on a flat platform that resembled lattice. After the grapes were spread evenly on the cloth, the four corners were brought to the center and then the racks were stacked on top of each other until they were about the height of the man working the press.

Morahan remembers her father's vineyard had three presses, two large and one small and there were five vats where the juice was stored after it was pressed out of the grapes.

Like the Klingshirms, A.J. Nagel also used the press cloth method for a number of years.

"They would press all day and night because they had many orders and were very busy," Morahan said. "At the end of the season, we would have to wash the press clothes because they were purple in color."

Today, the grapes are placed in a stain-

less steel press that extracts the juice. The juice then flows directly into a stainless steel tank in their basement through a plastic hose. This tank then chills the juice over night until it is ready to be processed into wine, Allan Klingshirm explained.

## Wine making

The process of making wine has not drastically changed over the years. However, where the wine is stored has changed from wooden barrels to stainless steel tanks.

"Wine has always been made following the same basic recipe here and now, in the past and all over the world," Lee Klingshirm said. "Those in the trade who have kept up with the techniques and quality have remained at the forefront of the industry. Advantages in today's world include a wider array of yeast strains to choose from, better analytical tools for monitoring the product and a vast selection of mechanical tools to make the job easier."

Morahan remembers her father receiving his old wooden barrels from Kentucky.

"He (A.J. Nagel) used all whiskey barrels," Morahan said. "He would go to Kentucky and would go directly to the distillery and would buy a traincar full of barrels. The train then came to Avon Lake and he would go there to pick up his whiskey barrels that were transported. And, each harvest, he would buy new barrels."

When wine was made in the 1930s and 1940s, there was not a system like there is today to separate the skin, seeds and stems, therefore, the entire grape was pressed and poured into a barrel for wine processing.

"The juice was very sweet and the skin, seeds and stems did not affect the outcome of the wine," Morahan said.

According to Morahan, the juice the grapes produced had to have a certain percentage of sweetness and it was tested with a beaker.

"You had to get the sugar content up to 18 percent, but some years we had grapes that would test as high as 22 percent in sweetness and that came naturally," Morahan said. "Sugar was added only if the sweetness content needed to be brought up to a certain point. Most grapes were between 17 or 18 percent sweet, but if the grapes naturally achieved a sweetness level at or higher than 17 or 18, no sugar was added."

After the juice reached its required sweetness content it was stored in a barrel for a certain period of time, usually during the duration of the winter months. After the wine set for a few months it was then siphoned into a bottle through a hose, stamped and labeled for sale.

Today's method of wine making is similar, but technology has allowed for the process to be more sanitary, McClelland said.

While the juice still is stored for several months, it is now kept in a stainless steel tank to allow for the fermentation process to take place, which usually lasts two to six weeks depending on the temperature and strain of yeast used, as well as the sugar content.

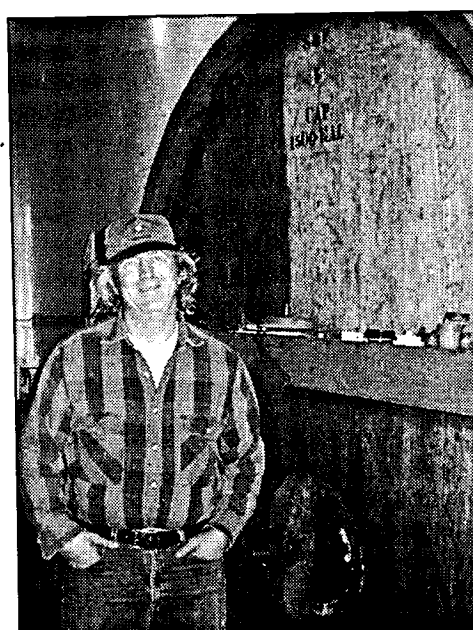
After the fermentation process is completed, McClelland said a new process begins called "racking." The wine is then racked, that is, siphoned from one container to another, leaving the sediment and fining agent behind.

Once the racking process is finished, some of the wines are filtered, which gives the finished product a nice taste.

However, the wines that are not filtered include the "heavy reds, like Cabernet and Merlot."

The blending process of two types of wine takes place before cold stabilization. Cold stabilization is the process of removing some the acid in the wine through precipitation, which creates a softer finish.

First, the wine must be tested for acid content with a process called acid titration, McClelland explained. To cold stabilize, the wine must be placed near freezing



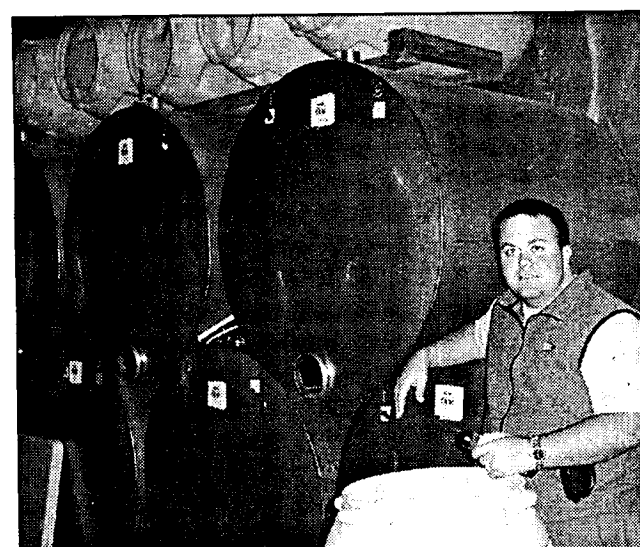
In the past, wine was kept in large wooden barrels seen here with Klingshirm.

temperatures for about two weeks. It is during this time that acid will drop to the bottom of the container in the form of crystals. Afterward, the winemaker racks the wine off the crystals.

"After the wine is blended and cold stabilized, the winemaker decides to sweeten it up or leave as dry," McClelland said. "Then, there is the last filtration process before the wine is bottled and placed in storage in a cellar to allow it to age a bit before it is sold."

A popular place where A.J. Nagel stored wine was at the Hickory Inn.

The Hickory was located at the corner of Detroit and Lear Roads in Avon, but was recently demolished and a Drug Mart



Most wine experts, as McClelland (above) does now, store their product in stainless steel barrels.

was built in its location, Mary Morahan said.

"Dad owned the Hickory building and that is where he stored the wine because the winery was underground and the temperature was always 63 degrees and the cellar held 300 barrels," Morahan said. "He built the Hickory from the ground up. The cellar was in the bottom, the middle level had a dance floor and bar where polkas were held and the walls were decorated in German décor. The first floor had a bar in front and dining room in the back and upstairs there were rooms that were made into apartments."

Morahan said she was sad when the Hickory was torn down a few years ago because not only did it have a historical place in her heart, but for the city of Avon as well.

"It was an interesting time of life for me growing up in Avon," Morahan said. "It's too fast, too soon for developers taking over farm land, yet it's being done. But, the Avon Commons is nice and there are two new churches on Detroit Road."

Lee Klingshirm said it's his family's willingness to be progressive and innovative that has kept them in the winemaking business.

"The basic process of making wine was learned though hands-on experience through my youth," Lee said. "Our family has embraced the current trends in the wine market. With additions to our vineyards, we've modified current equipment to do better work, and we've acquired tools in the process which make us more

# Fire temporarily shuts down Johnny Malloy's Sports Pub

By Carol Klear

The popular sports pub, Johnny Malloy's, located in the Rini's Plaza, is closed temporarily for remodeling, following an extensive fire, Oct. 9.

"We'll be closed for a couple of weeks for cleaning and remodeling," owner Phil Smith said.

According to a report from the fire department, the police called firefighters at approximately 6:30 a.m. The crew attempted to get into the structure with the key located in the Knox Box, however the

key didn't work and the crew had to use "forcible entry."

They found smoke in the bar area and the sprinkler system was operating toward the northeast corner of the facility.

Firefighters turned off the power at the main panel and contacted Smith.

Smith, who lives in Olmsted Falls, told The Press & Light he had been in bed just a short time before he got the call.

According to the report, Smith had been doing

paperwork, playing a video game and smoking near the southeast corner of the bar the night before.

He was the last person out of the building and just before leaving he apparently emptied the ashtray into a plastic trashcan under the bar. Discarded smoking materials appeared to be the cause of the fire.

Smith said he does not know the cost of the damage, but is upset about having to close down due to the apparent accident.

"For the last five months my bar has ended number five in all the Johnny Malloy's," he said.

# South Central Park has fresh new look, thanks to volunteer workers

By Carol Klear

Volunteers worked from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and even beyond at the Rally Around the Park, Oct. 9.

Cars began lining up for the event, sponsored by Home Depot, early Saturday morning and team volunteers, along with people from the community headed into the park, loaded with paint, brushes and all sorts of tools to get the job done.

Even some city officials showed up to help, including Mayor Dave Gillock, Safety Service Director Denny Johnson and Streets Department Supervisor Chris Rangus.

"I was thoroughly pleased," Johnson said. "Most of the picnic tables were repaired and painted. The pump house

was painted and the curb stops were painted."

When the day ended, the Home Depot volunteers left a lot of paint for city workers to use, as needed, he said.

As a bonus, workers asked Johnson about the possibility of putting in skateboard ramps and of course he was thrilled with the idea.

He isn't sure when they'll get to it, but he is excited about the idea and thinks the ramps will be where the

shuffleboard court is presently.

"I hope it will keep them (youngsters) from busting the picnic tables," Johnson said, adding that sometimes they used boards from the picnic tables as ramps.

The safety service director also said the city has problems with vandals writing graffiti on the walls and also setting fires. Someone has also been damaging the exercise equipment located near Safetyville.



Beatriz Vazquez takes a moment to smile for the camera as her teammate continues to paint the parking stop during Rally Around the Park. P&L photo by Carol Klear.

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# DID YOU KNOW?

- Over 1,400 new single family homes and condominiums have been built in North Ridgeville since 2001, but the staffing of the police department has shrunk.
- In 2001 there were 36 police officers protecting our city. Today there are 32, with an additional 2 new officers in training, and 1 veteran officer serving proudly in the Middle East with the U.S. Navy.
- The police department currently has only 5 dispatchers handling emergency call taking duties, as opposed to 7 in 2001.
- The School Resource Officer has been reassigned to adequately staff the patrol force.
- Active involvement with the Lorain County Drug Task Force has been stopped in order to staff the patrol force.
- Undercover proactive operations have been curtailed.
- Our K-9 unit has been reduced from 2 to 1.
- Our bicycle patrol unit is used infrequently due to shift shortages.
- A secretarial position has been eliminated in order to save money, leaving over 100,000 police records to be computerized.
- Our traffic enforcement detail, used to target high risk/high complaint areas was slashed by \$50,000 due to budget limitations.
- Our police department is well below the national per capita staffing level listed in the FBI's annual report.
- The North Ridgeville Police Department is the second lowest staffed department in Lorain County.

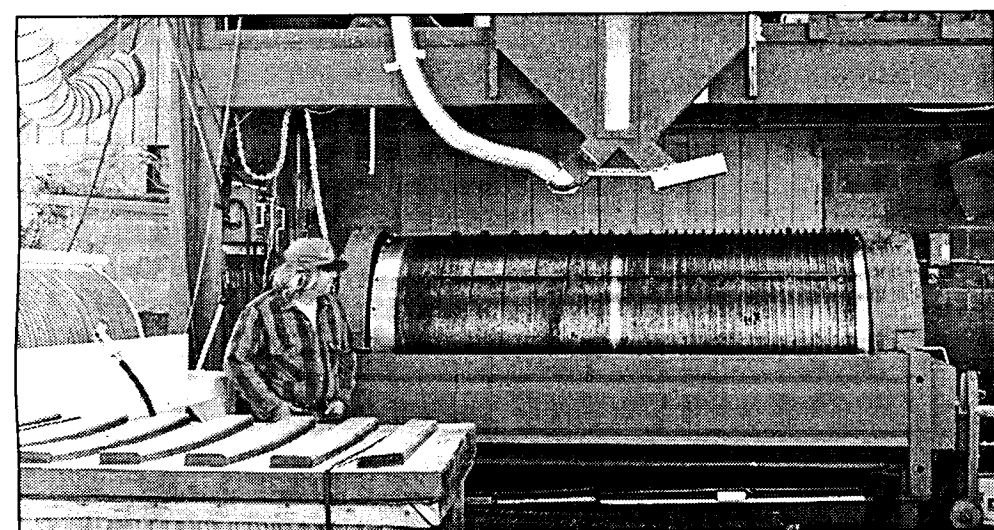
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Technology has allowed for many advancements in the overall amount of their product that can be harvested. (Above) Klingshirm watches as his press cranks out more wine.



# Time to get ready for Halloween in N.R.

By Melissa Linebrink

Parents beware: Halloween is quickly approaching. North Ridgeville's trick-or-treat will be held Oct. 31 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

And with Halloween comes a variety of costumes for the young and old alike at places such as Big Lots and the Yellow Barrel of Magic, both located on Center Ridge in North Ridgeville.

There are a wide variety of children's costumes at Big Lots, but it seems they are going quickly this year, store manager Justin Shildwachter said. Children's costumes include animals, such as dogs and make-believe attire like unicorns.

"We also have a good assortment of candy at the best prices," Shildwachter said.

As for adult costumes, the hot place to go in town is the Yellow Barrel of Magic where they specialize in fun and creativity for Halloween.

Popular costumes for children this year are the Harry Potter robes, sales representative Linda Gersdorf said.

"Additionally, boys go for scary costumes and girls look for something pretty," Gersdorf said.

There are more than 2,000 costumes available for rent at the Yellow Barrel of Magic. For the 2004 Halloween season, the most popular adult costumes include "gothic," "Spiderman," "Batman" and "Darth Vader," Gersdorf said. The store also offers a variety of "themed" costumes, such as a Confederate General and a Southern Belle; Romeo and Juliet; Sonny and Cher and attire from the 1920s, she added.

"We have already started to receive requests for costumes," Gersdorf said. "We are busier each day as we get closer to Halloween."

The Yellow Barrel of Magic also sells a number of costume accessories from masks to wigs and from makeup to hairspray.

"We have anything you can imagine," Gersdorf said, adding they also rent out gorilla, turkey and elephant costumes, as well as characters from Sesame Street, such as Big Bird and Cookie Monster.

General rental cost is between \$15 and \$35, with costumes allowed to be kept over the weekend.

"Renting is more popular than buying," Gersdorf said.



The Yellow Barrel of Magic, located at 38883 Center Ridge Road, offers more than 2,000 rental costumes, as well as accessories for Halloween. P&L photo by Melissa Linebrink

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In order to rent a costume, the customer must pay the rental fee, as well as a security deposit, and as long as the costume is returned in good condition, the security deposit will be returned.

The Yellow Barrel of Magic also has numerous magic tricks for sale to thrill guests at any Halloween or special occasion event during the year.

The store is open daily from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday and noon-to 5 on Sunday.

## Halloween events hosted by Lorain County Metroparks

From today until the end of the month, a variety of parks in the Lorain County Metroparks system are offering events for the entire family to take part in.

Here is a list of events for three parks in or around North Ridgeville. For more information, visit the Lorain County Metroparks website at [www.loraincountymetroparks.com](http://www.loraincountymetroparks.com).

### Carlisle Reservation

12882 Diagonal Road, LaGrange, 458-5121

• Halloween Fair-Oct. 22, 23, 29 and 30 at 5 p.m. Admission is free.

• Spooky Scrapbooking-Oct. 23 at 1 p.m. Cost is \$5. Call the reservation for reservations.

• Fall hay wagon rides-Oct. 24 and 30 at noon. Admission is free.

### French Creek Reservation

4530 Colorado Ave., Sheffield Village, 949-5200

• Bat Mobile-Oct. 23 at 1:30 p.m. Admission is free. Reservations are required by calling the reservation.

• Second Annual Halloween Parade-Oct. 31 at 1 p.m. Admission is free.

### Sandy Ridge Reservation

6195 Otten Road, North Ridgeville, 327-3626

• Spooky Cinema-Oct. 31 at 1 p.m. Admission is free.

## Tai Chi promotes longevity and health

By Carol Klear

Pat Sievert of the Personal Growth Holistic Center Inc. in Strongsville may be offering Tai Chi classes to seniors at the North Ridgeville Senior Center in the near future.

During the Oct. 13 senior women's breakfast, Sievert, a certified hypnotherapist, explained that Tai Chi is a "series of movements designed to promote longevity and health."

"It's a stress reliever," she said.

Tai Chi is a philosophy for all ages, including seniors, young children and people with limited physical abilities, Sievert said. It is not just for women and if men are interested, classes could be co-ed.

She said the course would offer a simplified "24 form" and once learned, it is recommended that people spend 5-6 minutes a day doing it.

"You can move your body and gain strength and flexibility," Sievert said. "The movements are slow and comfortable. There is no competition."

As an example, Sievert said people appearing in the Celebrex commercials are doing Tai Chi.

"It's a slow, controlled, gentle movement," she said. "You become more flexible as you progress."

Sievert suggested offering the classes in an eight-block series on Monday mornings and stressed that there is no special apparel needed, but recommended wearing comfortable shoes.

The cost would be \$40 for the entire course. Anyone interested can contact the Senior Center, 353-0835.

For more information about Tai Chi, log onto [www.pgnc.net](http://www.pgnc.net).

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"It's a bad business climate," he said. "We must give the workforce new tools, including college to create more jobs."

Not all high school graduates are going to attend college, Prechtel said. The 15-year Carlisle Township trustee said legislators should spend time and funds on improving Lorain County Joint Vocational School and Lorain County Community College to help prepare their students for their futures.

"We need a blue collar workforce," he said. "We can't (just) look to high technology, we have to look to blue collar."

Prechtel said he doesn't have an agenda in running for state representative, however, "schools and jobs go hand-in-hand."

"We're driving business away," Martin said. "Tax credits create an unfair playing field."

Prechtel concurred with Martin that the code requires some scrutiny, however he feels there are other issues that make Ohio non-competitive, including the Ohio EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) which he feels should "relax some rules," so people will want to do business in Ohio.

Hill reminded the audience that Ohio is "Number 3" in the nation in taxes with 77 percent of the tax burden carried by families.

"We need to simplify the procedures," she said, adding that giving special breaks to special friends should stop.

## ALBRIGHT, from page 1

today than they had been. She said that ultimately the destiny of the United States depends on students then joking, "I don't want to put a heavy trip on you, that's what your parents and teachers are for."

On the topic of a woman president, Albright said that she doesn't think it's a man or woman issue, but stated that in her opinion Hillary Clinton would make a "great president."

In her role as secretary of state Albright said she learned to be "tough"

## PLANNING, from page 1

impact the development would have on the wetlands at Sandy Ridge MetroPark.

Several members of the audience also expressed concerns about possible flooding due to the development, including Case Road resident Skip Hoffstetter who said most houses in that area are in a flood zone.

Schwachenwald restated the commission's position that the plan is "preliminary," noting that is the reason developers present plans to determine if they are feasible.

Hill favors forming regional alliances. She said while she was mayor of North Ridgeville she tried to partner industry, government and schools.

As a business owner for 30 years, Martin said he understands business issues.

"We have to create environmental tools," he said, adding that the loan forgiveness program he initiated is a start in that direction.

"People leave the state because they can't find jobs," she said. Then taking another job at Martin's college loan forgiveness program, Hill said, "Ten percent off the loan for 10 years is not the way to do it."

**Candidates for Lorain County Commissioner: Republicans, Rita Canfield and Eric Flynn; Democrats Ted Kalo and Lori Kokoski.**

All four candidates had opinions on the potential for creating a one-stop system for economic development...Team Lorain County.

As county commissioner, Kalo said he would hope to form an alliance with Team Lorain County and he planned to put all his effort into economic development, noting that is what he does every day in his job.

Flynn said the commissioners would add a different layer to Team Lorain County and be part of it.

"We should create an environment (for businesses) to stay here," he said.

when necessary and learned to argue without showing emotion.

"I learned to be flat," she said.

Responding to a question about her being both a mother and in politics, Albright related the "role reversal" she had with her daughter while she was traveling.

"She (daughter) started paying the bills," Albright said. "Then she would ask, 'Mother, why did you spend money on that?'"

While in Croatia, Albright said people began throwing rocks at her.

"I was under attack," she said. "My

sible.

Yost assured the public that they are not trying to create problems for surrounding properties.

"The last thing we want five years from now is to hear, 'We've got a problem,'" he said.

Residents whose properties about the proposed development were assured that they would receive notices of other public meetings about the project.

Robert Lewis, 7303 Case Road, questioned whether a sanitary sewer will be run down Case, however Schwachenwald

"It would take a collaborative effort," Kokoski said.

Canfield said an important aspect would be to match employees' skills with what employers are seeking.

The candidates feel it is important for commissioners to be part of other boards.

"I've already started (getting involved in other groups)," Flynn said. "I'm involved in a manufacturing development group...I sit on every board possible. I look at the long range future and how to help the county."

Candidates were hesitant about annexation if countywide sewer and water systems were available.

Kokoski called it a "nice concept," but didn't favor annexing the townships, while Kalo said it would take some sort of agreement with the townships to make it work.

Candidates also were asked if they would support county funding to expand North Ridgeville's French Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Canfield felt it would be "to everyone's benefit," while Kalo would study the financial picture first and Flynn said he would determine if North Ridgeville could handle the additional load.

**Candidates for Lorain County Prosecutor: Republican Incumbent Gary Bennett, Democrat Dennis Will.**

If elected, Bennett said he doesn't plan to make any changes, noting that he and his staff recently moved into the new

daughter freaked and said, 'Mother, you cannot do this to me.'

When the expected question about the situation in Iraq came up, Albright said, "Iraq is in a terrible mess...a very serious situation."

Although she feels it was necessary to get Saddam Hussein, she criticized the involvement because an "exit plan" was missing.

"If we planned to use force, what was the exit strategy?" she asked.

Addressing a question about the present campaign for president, Albright said she disagrees with "negative adver-

said that was not part of the proposal.

Responding to a concern about the potential for changing the grade and subsequently affecting homeowners on the west, Yost said plans call for creating detention, which ultimately would result in an improvement for property owners.

"It acts like locks," Yost said, which means the water flow would be slowed.

Someone else asked about a bald eagle's nest in the metro park that could be a deterrent to the project. Schwachenwald said that no one from the parks system has come forward yet, however the entire

Justice Center.

Will feels that with today's technology the prosecutor's office could become more efficient, particularly in the information flow between police departments and the prosecutor.

"It's still in the dark ages," Will said. "We should use digitalization and speed up the process. The cost is not prohibitive."

Both candidates agree that various agencies and governmental bodies must work through the prosecutor's office. Will said as prosecutor he would "bring as many agencies to the table as possible."

**Candidates for Lorain County Engineer: Democratic Incumbent Kenneth Carney, Independent Tom Hesmond.**

Carney said a major engineering project needed in Lorain County presently is widening Colorado Avenue in Sheffield Village, while Hesmond feels Center Ridge Road in North Ridgeville is an "important project."

To help develop some projects, Hesmond said he would apply for Issue 2 funds and federal grants.

Widening Center Ridge Road could be done with a zero-interest loan, Carney said. He also noted that North Ridgeville has its own sewer and its bridges are in good shape. As a voting member of NOACA Carney said he could help move the project ahead. Comcast Cable is televising the forum on Tuesdays and Thursday at 8 p.m. on Channel 22.

tising," which she said benefits no one. "There is too much mudslinging," she said, placing the blame for much of the negativity in this election squarely on the media.

"They perpetuate a lot of things," she said.

Albright also said she can't decide if she should congratulate the State of Ohio or be fearful for its residents in this campaign.

"Ohio is the battleground and you're in the front line," she said.

"Voting is the most exciting part of democracy," Albright concluded.

process from preliminary plans to final approval could take between six and eight months.

Commission member Gayle Manning said she is concerned about green space.

She also noted, "One way in and out of the development is not wise."

Councilman Dick Jaenke, who also heads council's building and lands committee, said the committee plans to study the issue of green space.

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# Sports

## TIME OUT

### Lady Rangers overcome adversity as they exit PC

Everyone knew it was going to be a difficult season for the North Ridgeville High School girls soccer team. Besides playing under their fourth coach in four years, the Lady Rangers had a thin roster (17 players) and just one senior.



Joe Ostrica

While opening the year with a five game losing streak, during which they were shut out 35-0 was a disappointment, it was not a shock. Not when you consider the teams they played, which included Pioneer Conference powerhouses Strongsville and Brecksville.

"Coming out of that time, with back to back games against Strongsville and Brecksville, was definitely the hardest time of the season," NRHS head coach Patrick Resetar said. "It's hard going into a season having seven girls who never played soccer before or haven't played for years. It's hard putting together a team when you essentially have to go back to basics."

On Sept. 14, things began turning around for Ridgeville as they defeated St. Augustine 3-0 on the road. After a loss to one of the Southwest Conference's strongest teams, Amherst (9-5-2), the Lady Rangers bounced back with a 4-2 victory over Firelands. The win over their upcoming West Shore Conference (WSC) opponent improved NRHS to 2-6 for the season.

"It was definitely nice to bounce back against St. Augustine and play well against Amherst," Resetar said. "Just getting a goal against Amherst was a big plus and getting the win against Firelands was great. Getting those two wins in three games was a big boost to morale. It got the girls enjoying soccer again."

Although the Lady Rangers have not won a game since defeating Firelands, they tied Elyria 1-1 on Oct. 7 and have managed to limit opponents' offense.

"We played some tight games in the second half of the season," Resetar said. "If we could put together some scoring opportunities, we could have won some games. Our biggest problem is lacking a powerhouse scorer. But we haven't lost by more than three goals in the second half. You can definitely see the girls improving and working together as a unit."

"I think they will have a little more confidence going into next year knowing they are more experienced and have the same coach coming back. They're also talking about playing indoor soccer in the offseason, which will really help."

#### Haszto traded

Former Elyria Catholic defenseman and North Ridgeville native, Mike Haszto, was traded from the Northern Pacific Hockey League's Queen City Cutthroats to the Phoenix Polar Bears of the Western States Hockey League last weekend. Haszto had one goal and one assist in five regular season games for the Cutthroats and led the team with a +5 rating. He was expected to join the Polar Bears as Phoenix opened the season in Boise, Idaho for a three game road swing.

"I am very excited about the trade and can't wait to get to Phoenix," Polar Bears assistant coach Tyler Ramsey said.

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## Upset to Midpark halts Ridgeville's winning streak

By Joe Ostrica

The North Ridgeville High School football team suffered a disappointing 18-13 loss to Midpark in week eight last week. The Rangers, who were coming off their longest winning streak in eight years, were hoping to win their final three games of the season to secure a Pioneer Conference Heritage Division championship. The Meteors, meanwhile, had nothing to lose as they entered the game 0-7 and still searching for their first win.

In the early going, it appeared everything was going according to plan for NRHS. On a fourth-and-goal play on Midpark's 3-yard line, the Rangers got on the scoreboard as Jordan White ran into the end zone with 5:10 remaining in the first quarter. A kick by Tony Russo put Ridgeville up 7-0.

On the Rangers' next possession, sophomore tailback Jeremy Workman scored his first touchdown of the season as he ran right up the middle for a 55-yard score. After a failed kick, the Rangers led 13-0.

Before the end of the half, Midpark responded with two touchdowns of its own, one through the air and one on the ground. The Rangers held on to lead 13-12 after Midpark's two-point conversion and PAT attempts failed.

But the rain that carried on all contest, and the mud that came with it, started working against NRHS. After starting center Robert Howells left the game with an injury in the second quarter, quarterback Max Rothacker and the Ranger offense had a difficult time getting plays off as they fumbled the ball on several snaps, losing it twice.

At the midpoint of the fourth quarter, the Meteors appeared to be on their way to scoring their third TD of the night, getting all the way to the Rangers' 2-yard line. But after a block below the knees on what appeared to be a scoring run, the Meteors were moved back to the Ridgeville 10-yard line. The defense, with help from the weather, held strong as Midpark's pass attempt was killed by the strong winds.

With Midpark still within one point (13-12), the Rangers had a crucial possession with just five minutes remaining in



NRHS sophomore tailback Jeremy Workman (right) enjoys a moment with teammate John McGraw after scoring on a 55-yard TD run.

the contest. But a fumble by Rothacker on the snap gave the Meteors terrific position on the Rangers' 26-yard line. Five plays later, Midpark running back Dave Nixon scored the game-sealing points on a nine-yard run to put the Meteors up 18-13 with 2:22 remaining. Nixon gave the Ranger offense fits all night as he carried Midpark on his back for 131 yards on 44 carries.

The Rangers had two more possessions in the final minutes but with the rain coming down hard and the Midpark defense turning up their intensity, Ridgeville could

not complete a pass in nine attempts. The only first down they managed in their last two possessions was a 22-yard run by Rothacker.

"The defense made a nice stand down there to save the game and we coughed it back up to them," NRHS head coach Keith Rybarczyk said. "Defensively, we did not tackle well. Nixon was running all around, back and fourth on cutbacks. Offensively we turned the ball over and fumbled snaps. We just can't do that."

Linebacker Dan Priebe topped his career-high 21 tackle performance against Berea from the previous week with a stellar 24 tackles. Jordan Slack and Jeremy Howells each recorded 14 tackles and Frank Kotas finished with 13. Priebe and Jeremy Howells each recorded a sack.

The Rangers' hopes of winning the conference are not completely finished. Although Normandy still leads the Pioneer Conference Heritage Division (PCHD) with a 3-0 record, the Rangers (now 2-1) can guarantee at least a tie for the title by winning their final two games. Friday the Rangers will try to finish the season with at least a .500 record as Brecksville (3-5 overall, 1-2 in the PCHD) visits for NRHS' senior night. Then they travel to Normandy for a critical season finale on Oct. 30.

"We want to send our seniors out on a good note," Rybarczyk said. "It's our last home game and we want to think about them. The only thing that we can do is beat Brecksville and beat Normandy to get a tie for first in the conference."

### CHASING THE INVADERS

PC Heritage Division Standings				
TEAM	CONF	OVERALL	PTS SCORED	PTS ALLOWED
Normandy	3-0	6-2	147	114
North Ridgeville	2-1	4-4	149	132
Brecksville	1-2	3-5	107	202
Berea	1-2	2-6	160	187
North Royalton	1-2	2-6	120	194
Midpark	1-2	1-7	85	217

#### NRHS/Normandy's remaining games

Friday, Oct. 22, 2004  
7 p.m.: Brecksville @ NRHS  
7 p.m.: Normandy @ Midpark

Saturday, Oct. 30, 2004  
7 p.m. NRHS @ Normandy

## Lady Rangers crank out the wins heading into sectionals

By Joe Ostrica

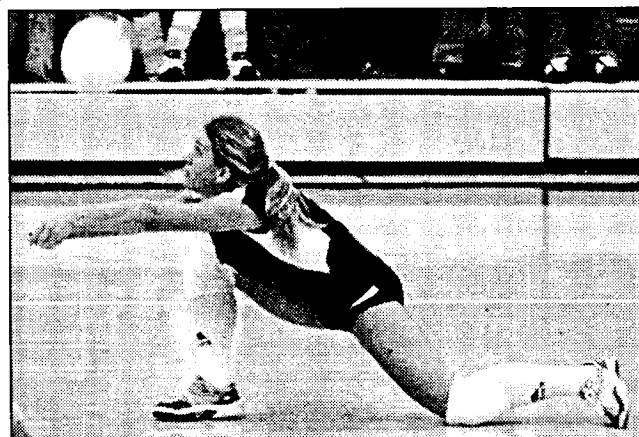
After starting the season off with a 4-1 record, the North Ridgeville High School volleyball team was on top of the world. In just five games, they had already equaled the amount of wins they had in the entire disappointing 2003 season, in which they went just 4-18.

But after that strong start, things started going downhill quickly. By the midpoint of the season, the Lady Rangers were sitting on a five-game losing streak, a 4-8 record and no wins in the Pioneer Conference.

"I was a little disappointed and the girls were distraught and upset at that point," NRHS head coach Jennifer Urban said. "I think they were on the verge of breaking. We sat down and had a meeting and I told them I still believed in them and if they kept working hard, it would pass. They couldn't give up. Everything they wanted in the beginning of the season shouldn't be forgotten. The season wasn't over yet."

The Lady Rangers put the losses behind them and buckled down. They won three out of their next four games, starting with PC opponent Parma. A home tri match that gave NRHS wins over New London and Perkins also gave the team confidence. Since beating Parma, the Lady Rangers have finished the regular season strong with a 5-3 mark.

"We went in ready to play against Parma," Urban said. "It was a game we wanted to win. The girls knew they were



NRHS senior Jill Hansen has been a team leader for the Lady Rangers since her freshman year. P&L photo by Frank Corsello

more talented but they still had to prove themselves.

"The Perkins win at the tri got things going for us. We played strong the whole game and we won a very close game. That changed the momentum around. They had the confidence after that. They knew they were not an average team after that. They knew they could battle with good teams. Once they realized they were mentally tough and could play against higher-caliber teams, that turned everything around."

NRHS also managed to pick up two wins in their final three PC contests.

"Midpark and Normandy are the best games I've seen the team play," Urban said. "They knew they could beat them."

The Normandy win was particularly

sweet since it was the season finale and the farewell home game of senior Jill Hansen, a four-year standout for the varsity volleyball squad.

Hansen recorded 15 kills, 20 assists, 14 digs and three blocks in the contest.

"That was Jill's overall best game of the season," Urban praised. "She stepped up. Maybe she knew in the back of her mind this was it, the last time she would step on the court wearing the jersey. She's been our leader all season. I can count on her 100 percent. She will sacrifice her body for any ball. She'll run into walls and dive on the floor. She's a great leader by example. I was very proud of the way she played. She played excell-

lent."

Urban and her players hope to keep the winning rolling into sectionals as they face Lorain Admiral King on Tuesday (after P&L deadline).

"If we keep up the momentum we have right now, this should be a great tournament for us," Urban said. "We're playing the best we have all season, which is key, because you want to play your best going into the new season, the sectionals."

## Chemistry, balance gives Rangers best season in nearly a decade

By Joe Ostrica

The city of North Ridgeville is not used to be buzzing about football this time of year. Ever since the Rangers moved to the Pioneer Conference at the start of the 1997 season, Ridgeville has taken its share of lumps. The best record the Rangers could compile in the past seven years was 4-6, in 2000 and 2001.

Entering last weeks contest against Midpark, the Rangers were standing tall at 4-3 and riding a three game winning streak. Although they suffered a disappointing 18-13 loss to Midpark to drop to 4-4 and 2-1 in the PC Heritage Division (PCHD), the Rangers are still in the hunt for a share of the PC title. They are also likely to finish with at least five wins, securing a .500 season for the first time in eight years.

Athletic Director Jeff Schultz said the whole community is catching the Ranger football fever.

"There seems to be a lot more excitement with our team playing well," Schultz said. "The fans seem a lot more excited. The kids in the hallway are a lot more excited. The teachers seem to be a lot more excited. People at other sporting events are a lot more excited. It's nice to see the excitement around the kids and how it's affecting the community positively. The kids are playing their guts out on Friday night. They're playing hard and they're playing to win."

Anyone that follows the Rangers knows offensive standouts Max Rothacker (quarterback), Jordan White (wide receiver), Sean Bunevich (wide receiver) and Jeremy Workman (tailback). But those players will admit they're just a piece of the puzzle. The offensive and defensive lines, not to mention the tenacious Ranger defense, are the backbone of the team.

The leadership of co-captains Zac Calamante (defensive back), Dan Priebe (linebacker), Jordan Slack (linebacker) and Jared Stermole (guard, defensive tackle) are a big reason why the Rangers are playing as one unit this year. Alec Barker (defensive end, guard), Robert Howells (center), Chad Lawrence (offensive tackle), Frank Kotas (linebacker, running back), Matt Prozek (offensive line), Mike Roysden (linebacker) and Spencer Leil (tight end, offensive line) are also major components of the Rangers' success.

After starting out the season 1-3, the Rangers appeared to be going down a losing road just like in year's past. Then came the 6-3 win over Valley Forge, which Priebe said was the team's turning point.

"The defense played one of the best games I've ever seen in my life," Priebe said. "We held them to just a field goal and our offense moved the ball just enough to get two field goals and get the win. It picked up our confidence level and we just steamrolled right into our conference and just started plowing over other teams."

NRHS head coach Keith Rybarczyk said it was the team's most important game of the year, thus far.

"Our defense has played well most of the year," he said. "They basically won us the game against Valley Forge, which right now, is the biggest game of the year for us."

"These kids have been practicing hard since the beginning of the summer. They were in a lot of close games early and they should have won against Westlake and Bay. We all feel that we should have gotten at least one of those. The kids just knew they had to keep working hard and the wins would come. Once we got the big victory on homecoming over Valley Forge, that's all they needed. They just needed to experience what a good win felt like."

Calamante said the team's chemistry is stronger than it has been in previous years.

"We have a good mix this year," Calamante said. "Our defense started the season off really well then our

offense started to really believe they could do it too. Our offense and defense are both working well along with each other. Overall, everything is going better for the team. Everyone is just getting along better."

"You can tell the difference, even in the city. I was one of the representatives for our school at a conference for a youth leadership organization and people from other schools came up and talked to me about our team. That was a surprise, for other people talking about us. It was kind of weird, but it was nice."

Although Stermole and his fellow linemen know they won't receive much glory at their position, they do understand they have a crucial role on the team.

"We just understand what we've got to do," Stermole said. "We've just got to go out and do the job. We've gotten a lot of support from our backfield. We just go out and get some holes open for them and on defense we hold up some guys so the linebackers get their tackles. We just do our job and let them do what they've got to do."

"Winning helps, but we really get along. There's not a lot of discrepancy between the team. Offense gets along with defense. We get a lot of respect. The linemen themselves get a lot of respect from other people. Everyone understands each other. We get along and love each other like a family, like brothers."

Rothacker is quick to credit his line for the outstanding numbers he's put up (over 1,100 yards passing) in the first eight weeks.

"We can't do anything without our line," he said. "They've been solid all year. I'm getting protection and have time to find the open receiver and throw the ball. They're blocking for the backs and opening all the holes. A lot of running is credited to the line and they don't get enough credit for it."

Rybarczyk acknowledged how well his linemen are playing this season.

"The line is much improved," he praised. "Those kids are playing really well right now. They're playing as a really solid line unit. They've been getting better every game. Right now because of their solid play, Max has a lot of time to throw the ball and they've helped us with our running game too. We're a very balanced offense because of our line."

Rothacker also praised the defense for bailing the offense out when the Rangers had difficulty scoring.

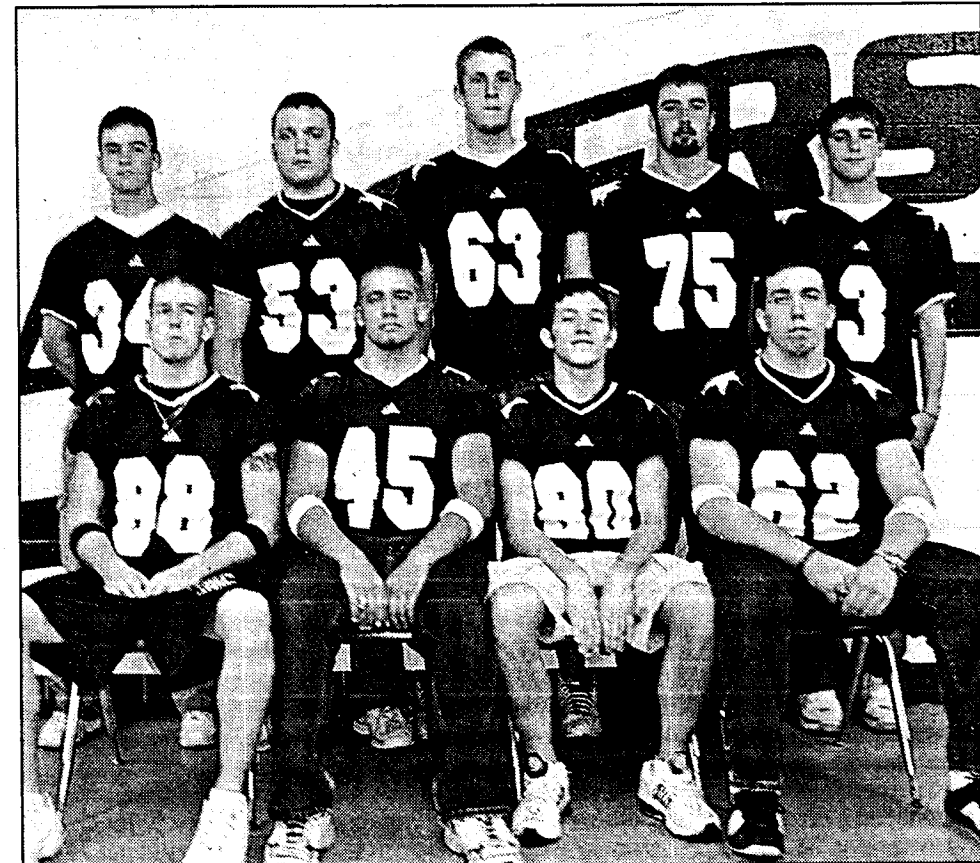
"The defense has definitely been clutch," he said. "All year they've held teams in close games, especially against Valley Forge. They scored just three points in the whole game, which was big since we couldn't get anything into the end zone. That's a lot of credit to them and they don't receive much credit either. In most of these games we put some points on the board but if we don't put enough on it, it's up to the defense to hold the other team and that's what they do."

Rothacker agreed with his teammates about the team's family-like unity. He also said this year's squad has confidence in themselves.

"The attitude change is the biggest difference," he said. "Most of the players are really positive and believe that we can win. That attitude has helped us start to win. That gets us going and motivated. This team is coming together as one whole. We're just one unit."

Priebe said the team unity began in a preseason football camp at Mount Union College.

"Our team realized our goals and what our mission was, which was to win our conference," he said. "Going out on the field for two-a-days was great. Everybody doesn't look at each other as just friends. We consider ourselves brothers. It's a great feeling being like a family. It feels great to be part of a tradition that's just beginning. We've laid a few blocks down for our foundation and going down the road it's just building up and



NRHS football teammates (front row L-R) Jordan Slack, Dan Priebe, Zac Calamante and Jared Stermole and (back row L-R) Frank Kotas, Alec Barker, Chad Lawrence, Robert Howells and Mike Roysden are a major reason why the Rangers are having their best year since 1996.

building up into a winning tradition here. I like the mentality that coach Rybarczyk has brought and it's a great feeling being part of something that's turning around for Ridgeville."

Although the Rangers loss to Midpark—virtually ending their chances of an outright PCHD championship—didn't knock them out of competition for a piece of the prize, a win against Brecksville on Friday, combined with a win over the PCHD's top team, Normandy (3-0 in Heritage),

could give the Rangers a co-championship.

"I don't think anybody would script that any better," Rybarczyk said before the Midpark contest. "I think you always want to have a great game at the end of the year for the conference championship. That would be great. That's exactly where we want to be. To have the program changing and from three years from where I started to have a championship game of that caliber is exactly where we want to be."

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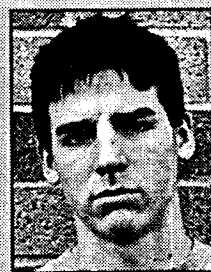
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## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

## SEAN BUNEVICH

School: NRHS  
Grade: 11  
Sport: Football



The wide receiver had a career night as the Rangers knocked off Berea 27-20, defeating the Braves for the first time in eight years. Bunevich finished with a career-high 149 yards on eight catches. He also had a career-high three touchdowns. For the season, Bunevich has 24 catches, 434 yards and five TDs.

## LAURA HAMMOND

School: NRHS  
Grade: 11  
Sport: Volleyball



The 6'1" middle hitter helped the Lady Rangers to a 3-1 week with wins over New London, Perkins and Midpark. Hammond racked up 23 solo blocks, 15 assisted blocks and went 45-of-56 hitting with 25 kills. In the season finale victory against Normandy, Hammond had five solo blocks, six assisted blocks and seven kills.

## JILL HANSEN

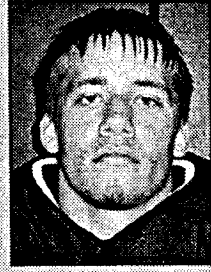
School: NRHS  
Grade: 12  
Sport: Volleyball



The 5'7" captain setter and outside hitter was instrumental in NRHS' 3-1 week, going a perfect 105-for-105 setting. She had 46 assists, 40 kills, 39 digs, nine blocks and was 95-of-120 hitting. She was 38-of-42 at the serving line with five aces and 20 points. In her home finale against Normandy, she had 15 kills, 20 assists, 14 digs and three blocks.

## DAN PRIEBE

School: NRHS  
Grade: 12  
Sport: Football



The anchor of the Ranger defense recorded a career-high 21 tackles to help Ridgeville snap a seven-year drought against Berea. The co-captain also snagged an interception in the contest. He topped himself last week with a new career mark, 24 tackles, against Midpark. Priebe now has 119 tackles in eight games for an average of 14.9 per game.

## Mini-Ranger, NRMS eighth-grade football roundups

The North Ridgeville Mini-Ranger football team defeated Avon 26-0 last week for their fourth straight victory. Daniel Montgomery scored four times (three rushing and a 60-yard punt return) and rushed for 100 yards. Josh Willis added two extra point kicks.

Defensively, Mike Mees led the way with 10 tackles for his third straight game with 10 or more takedowns. Coach Terry Murray said Montgomery, Matt Zepp, Dave Mytnick, Zack Spiedel, Cody Smith, Jimmy Mackert, Billy Ressler, Luke Hyer, Bryon Blagg, Donnie Kominek, Alex Shidlowski, Jake Botson, Michael Stumpf, Mitch Clark and Tony Demarco all played well in the Rangers' first shutout of the season.

On Oct. 9, the Mini-Rangers handed Midview Blue its

first loss of the season with a 13-6 victory. Montgomery ran for 93 yards and scored two touchdowns and an extra point. Zepp threw a 25-yard TD pass to Montgomery. Zepp also came up with a big fumble recovery. Mees led the defense with 10 tackles. Murray said Clark, Shidlowski, Botson, Mackert, Stumpf, Willis, Justin Hobart and Hyer all played tenacious defense.

Ridgeville will take on the Rocky River Pirates Saturday at 7 p.m. at Brookside High School.

## NRMS eighth-graders defeat Eastern Hts.

The North Ridgeville Middle School eighth-grade football team scorched Eastern Heights 36-6 last week. The Rangers started the game on their own 35-yard line. Five

plays later Alex Rios ran the ball into the end zone to put the Rangers up 6-0. Fullback Derek Lozano punched in the Rangers second touchdown. Lozano also scored the 2-point conversion on a pass from Shane Friend.

Rios and Lozano each scored another touchdown apiece and Nick Rogerson caught a 29-yard TD pass from Friend for the Rangers fifth score of the game. He then caught another pass for the 2-point conversion. Kicker Jordan Akdogan added two extra points.

"The key to our offense today was great blocking by Nick Hornby, John Howells, Scottie Toth, Kyle Wade, Jacob Carrick and Keene Cockburn," NRMS coach Jamie Anderson said. "They really had a big game today, which opened up some good running lanes for all of our backs."

SOCCER STATS  
(through Oct. 17)

## BOYS SOCCER

## Goals

Chris Severs (LRA) 7  
Drew Pyle (NRHS) 4  
Brian Van Tassel (NRHS) 2  
Eric Yandura (NRHS) 2  
Joey Asp (NRHS) 1  
Matt Austin (NRHS) 1  
Diego Chahda (LRA) 1  
Francisco Covarrubias (NRHS) 1  
Lee Howley (LRA) 1  
Hazem Ibrahim (LRA) 1  
Mark Vandevender (LRA) 1

## Assists

Jerry Hammerschmidt (LRA) 4  
Moudy Farhat (LRA) 1  
Samie Farhat (LRA) 1  
Lee Howley (LRA) 1

## Vishal Parikh (LRA) 1

## Saves

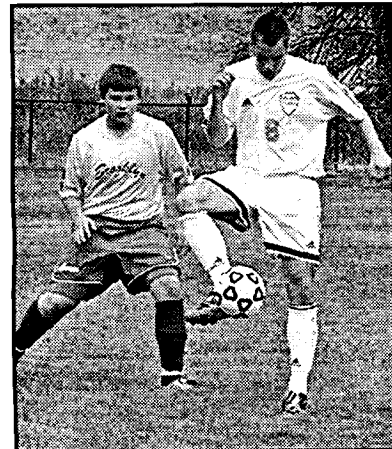
Dennis Franczak (NRHS) 204  
Mark Hancock (LRA) 137  
Mike Gorski (NRHS) 14  
Diego Chahda (LRA) 7  
NRHS GIRLS SOCCER

## Goals

Devin Ballard 6  
Stephanie Zeller 2  
Claire Sullivan 1  
Assists  
Stephanie Zeller 3  
Heather Milam 3  
Liz Asp 1

## Saves

Melissa Lee 157  
Kelly Smalley 27



LRA senior Chris Severs (right) leads the Royals in scoring this year. P&L photo by Frank Corsello

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The test fee is \$28. Free sample tests are available from high school counselors and sample questions can be found on ACT's website, which also offers inexpensive practice tests.

## VFW scholarship contest

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9871 and the Ladies Auxiliary will again host the Patriotic Art/Voice of Democracy scholarship competition and Patriot's Pen for seventh and eighth-grade students. High school students have the opportunity to compete in the annual audio competition and win scholarships as well as a trip to Washington, D.C. Students can also win local awards. Students compete by writing and recording a three-five minute audio/essay

expressing their ideas on this year's patriotic theme. Interested students should contact the Voice of Democracy chairman, Hal Bogner at 748-4810 or co-chair, Lois Skidmore at 353-3506, the VFW Post or write the Post at 6805 Lear Nagle Road.

## St. Peter's pies and seniors

St. Peter School PTU has teamed up with the North Ridgeville Senior Center to sell pies, pies and more pies to benefit both organizations. In an effort to drive more sales and reach the goal of selling 750 pies, the PTU is offering anyone an opportunity to purchase a pie (or two) for the their family and the Senior Center.

There are a variety of pies and desserts available for purchase including French silk pie, lemon supreme, pumpkin praline cheesecake and pumpkin pie.

Order forms can be picked up at the Senior Center, at St. Peter School, all the entrance doors of St. Peter Church or by calling Nancy or Matt Hedbert at 327-2138. Orders can also be placed online at [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com). Please be sure to use St. Peter's number, 7736, when ordering. The deadline to order and donate a pie to the Senior Center is Oct. 22.

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## What's for lunch?

For Oct. 21-Oct. 27, 2004

## North Ridgeville Middle School/High School

Thur: Cheeseburger or build your own hot dog, baked beans, pears, chocolate pudding, milk.  
Fri: Chicken nuggets w/roll or Sloppy Joe, fries, pineapple, milk.  
Mon: Pizza or foot-long hot dog, green beans and carrots, peaches, milk.  
Tue: Ravioli or chicken fingers, roll, corn, pears, milk.  
Wed: Sausage and cheese on a bagel or sausage links w/French toast sticks, hash brown, orange juice, milk.

## North Ridgeville Elementary

Thur: Hot dog, baked beans, pears, chocolate pudding, milk.  
Fri: Chicken nuggets, roll, fries, pineapple, milk.  
Mon: Cheese pizza, green beans and carrots, peaches, milk.  
Tue: Ravioli, roll, corn, pears, milk.  
Wed: Sausage links, French toast sticks, hash brown, orange juice, milk.

## St. Peter Catholic School

Thur: Chicken alfredo w/pasta and breadstick or hamburger, salad, Italian ice, milk.  
Fri: Breaded mozzarella sticks w/sauce or cheese pizza, salad, peaches, milk.  
Mon: Corn dog or chicken nuggets, baked beans, jello, milk.  
Tue: Walking taco or hot dog, fruit and nut nutrition bar, veggie sticks w/dip, milk.  
Wed: Philly steak sub or chicken patty sandwich, fries, corn, milk.

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## TOWN CRIER

## Thursday

Liberty Elementary School vision screening  
Fields-Sweet school hearing and vision screening  
9 a.m. Men's breakfast-Senior Center.  
2:30-4:30 p.m. Lorain County General Health District-Free blood pressure screening at Rite Aid Pharmacy, 34321 Center Ridge Road.  
1-4 p.m. Cards and games-Senior Center.  
6-9 p.m. Chamber of Commerce Halloween family fun night-All-American Sports Center. Admission is \$10/person.  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting class-Senior Center multi-purpose room.  
7 p.m. NRFL-Senior Center.

## Friday

9:30-11 a.m. On Target fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room.  
Noon, Rotary Club luncheon-Senior Center.  
5-7 p.m. Spaghetti dinner-Senior Center.  
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-Safetyville Building.  
4:30, 5:45 and 7 p.m. Roast beef dinner-Fields United Methodist Church, 34077 Lorain Road. Call 327-8753/info.

## Sunday

9 a.m. Food Addicts Anonymous-St. John

West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium A.

## Monday

10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft group and quilting-Senior Center.  
1-3 p.m. Computer class, Internet II-Senior Center.  
6:30-8 p.m. Living Through Grief-New Life Hospice, 5255 N. Abbe Road, Elyria.  
7 p.m. Football Boosters Club-High school cafeteria.

## Tuesday

7-8 a.m. Kiwanis Club of North Ridgeville meeting-Community Care.  
9:30-11 a.m. On Target fencing-Senior Center multi-purpose room.  
1-4 p.m. Watercolor-Senior Center.  
6:30-7:30 p.m. Body Sculpting class-

Senior Center multi-purpose room.  
7 p.m. Survivors of Suicide and Attempted Suicide-EMH Conference Room A (8th floor).

## Wednesday

Lear North hearing screening  
9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Watercolor class-Senior Center.  
Noon, lunch-Senior Center.  
3:30-6 p.m. Child immunization clinic-St. Julie Billiard Church, 5500 Lear Nagle Road.  
5-6:30 p.m. Isshinryu Karate-Safetyville Building.  
7:30 p.m. Parks and rec commission-Senior Center multi-purpose room.  
8 p.m. VFW #9871 Men's meeting-at the Post.

## LIFESTYLES

## Halloween Family Fun Night

A hayride, bonfire, mini-golf and arcade tokens will be part of the North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce Halloween Family Fun Night at All-American Sports Center, 37500 Center Ridge Road. The event will be held Oct. 21 from 6-9 p.m. Couples and singles are also welcome. Come in costume to be eligible for special prizes. Drawings and discounted rates on the batting cages and driving range will be part of the event. Admission is \$10 per person. Tickets are available by calling the Chamber office at 327-3737.

## Fields UMC roast beef dinner

The United Methodist Women's Society of Fields United Methodist Church will sponsor their annual fall roast beef dinner on Oct. 23 at the church, located at 34077 Lorain Road. Tickets cost \$8 for adults, \$5 for children ages 8-12, \$2 children ages 4-7 and are free for children ages 3 and under. There will be three serving times for the family style dinner at 4:30, 5:45 and 7 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling the church office at 327-8753. The Family and Friends committee of Fields UMC will also be holding a bake sale in conjunction with the roast beef dinner. Proceeds from the dinner support a variety of projects sponsored by the UMW from church improvements to missions to scholarships and more.

## Free enrollment

Ladies will be enrolled free the week of Oct. 25-30 at the Ladies Workout Express in North Ridgeville when they bring in a brown bag full of nonperishable groceries. Your donation will go to North Ridgeville Community Care and donated to those in need in the area. There is more demand during this time of year for nonperishable food items. So, get fit and help out your community.

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## Child immunization clinic

Clinics are open to any family with children up to age 18. There is a fee for each immunization, however, no one will be denied an immunization due to inability to pay. A parent or guardian must bring the child and a record of the child's previous immunizations. For more information, call the Lorain County General Health District at 244-3418, Elyria City Health Department at 323-7595 or Lorain City Health Department at 204-2300. A clinic will be held Oct. 27 from 3:30-6 p.m. at St. Julie Billiard Church, 5500 Lear Nagle Road.

## Lorain County flu shot day

The Health Districts of Lorain County, Lorain and Elyria and the Lorain County Emergency Management Agency will hold high risk flu immunization clinics at various locations on Oct. 28. Vaccines will only be available for people over 65, children 23 months-6 years, adults and children with chronic illness and preg-

nant women. Flu shots will be offered at EMH Center for Health and Fitness in Avon from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. and North Ridgeville Schools Community Room, 5490 Mills Creek Lane, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Fees apply. Medicare will be accepted and no one will be refused a shot due to an inability to pay. For more information, call 204-2300, 323-7595 or 322-6367.

North Ridgeville Kiwanis will be helping the Lorain County Health Department host the clinic.

## Fields recital features chorus

Fields United Methodist Church fall concert recital series presents the Vailor-Riego Family Chorus at 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 30. The Vailor-Riego Family Chorus theme is "Let All My Life Be Music." The program will contain solo and chorus performances of a variety of music ranging from religious through Broadway to patriotic music. For more information visit Fields UMC on the web at <http://www.fieldsumc.org>, or call the church office at 327-8753.

## North Coast Home Assisting lends families a helping hand

Business entrepreneurs large and small often get the idea for their business from personal circumstances. A product that doesn't quite get the job done just right, or a service that is not available, spawn the need for a better widget or a new service provider.

Such are the circumstances that led to the formation of North Coast Home Assisting. Tom Khalaf and his wife Georgette started planning the company this past June. The reason, Khalaf said, came from a family situation. Georgette's grandmother, Anna, was splitting time in the homes of different family members.

"She was really unhappy with that arrangement," Khalaf said. "She wanted to stay home, in one place, and not move around from one family's home to another."

Khalaf and his wife saw the need for a home assistance program for older citizens who, like Mrs. Khalaf's grandmother, could stay at home and live independently for the most part, but may need some occasional help with everyday living.

North Coast Home Assisting was formed with that goal in mind. The company is a non-medical home assistance program the Khalafs operate from their home in North Ridgeville. Their caregivers will help clients do laundry, shop, clean house, run errands, and myriad other day-to-day chores that often fall to other family members.

"Family caregivers usually have their own jobs and families to take care of," said Khalaf. "Older citizens can feel like a burden, despite the best efforts of their family. An outsider can help ease that tension."

North Coast Home Assisting offers assistance from two hours to around-the-clock. Their caregivers are all licensed, bonded, and insured. Most are in their forties and fifties, Khalaf said, and many have previous experience with other senior assistance companies.

"We want to match caregivers to clients," said Khalaf. "The most important quality, of course, is compassion for the clients."

Although Khalaf and his wife are new to the senior care field, both are familiar with customer service. Khalaf is a former owner of Laurel's restaurant in North Ridgeville, and Mrs. Khalaf assisted with the front-of-the-house operation of the restaurant. After seven-and-a-half years there, the couple left Laurel's at the end of July, and North Coast Home Assisting opened for business in October.

"This is a little different than the restaurant business," Khalaf admitted.

But even in the restaurant, Khalaf saw the need for a senior assistance program. "Families would come in, and they'd have the grandmother or grandfather with them," he said. "You could tell it was a struggle sometimes, even though they were enjoying themselves." Khalaf and his wife could see the need for a senior assistance program then. He said the situation that developed with Mrs. Khalaf's grandmother "really hit home."

In addition to daily chores and home help, North Coast Home Assisting can offer rides to the doctor or to church services. They will also provide reminders for doctor's appointments or just to take medicine. Just as important, though, they are there to talk and listen, assist with crafts or photo albums, and just provide companionship.

The Khalafs are anxious to see North Coast Home Assisting blossom, but understand patience will be necessary to develop the company. They would also like to thank the many patrons of Laurel's restaurant who have wished them well and are praying for them.

"Their prayers and good wishes really mean a lot to us," said Khalaf. North Coast Home Assisting can be reached at 353-3850.

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## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

## Tyler Wade Duff

Tyler Wade Duff was born Aug. 31, 2004. He weighed 9 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 1/4 inches long. Tyler is the son of Michelle L. Davis, of North Ridgeville, and Chad Duff, of Elyria.



## ENGAGEMENT

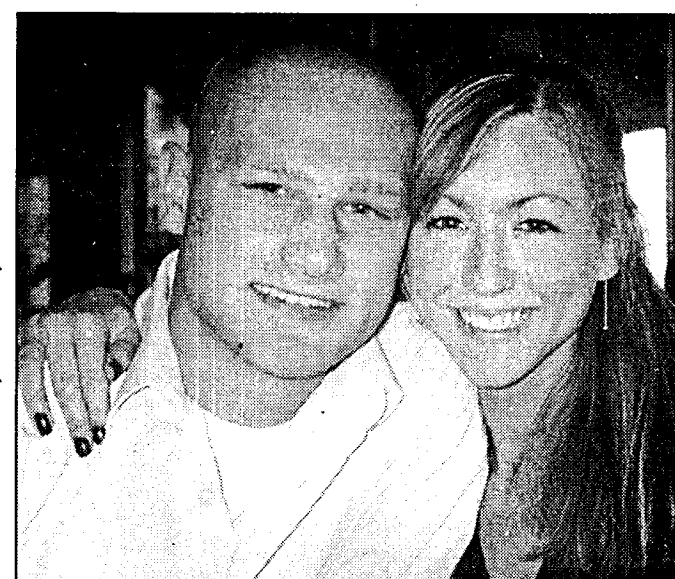
## Russell, Campbell engaged

Gary and Sharon Russell, of Avon Lake, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynly, to Grady Campbell, son of Rita and Grady Campbell III, of North Ridgeville.

The prospective bride is a 2001 graduate of Open Door Christian School. She will graduate from the University of Akron in 2005 with a degree in early childhood education.

The prospective groom is a 2002 graduate of Open Door Christian School. He is a Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corp. and is stationed in Iraq.

The couple will wed upon Grady's return.



Campbell and Russell

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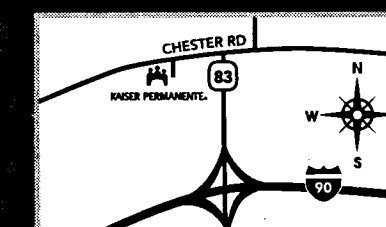
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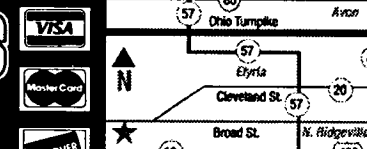
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## OBITUARIES

## Todd M. McDaniel

Todd M. McDaniel, 42, of North Ridgeville, died Oct. 2, 2004, at his home following a short illness.

He was born and raised in North Ridgeville. Mr. McDaniel moved to South Bend, Ind., in 1985 and to Michigan City in 1996 before returning to the North Ridgeville area. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing and camping. He was a fan of Notre Dame and Ohio State football.

Survivors include his mother, Joanne Cramer of North Ridgeville; sisters, Evelyn McDaniel Cesavice of South Bend, Ind., Celeste Oden, Yvonne McDaniel and Sharon Pinchak, all of North Ridgeville; a brother, Roy Dennis McDaniel of Elyria; many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Preceding him in death was his uncle, Gary Cramer. Arrangements were handled by Butler & Son Funeral Home, North Royalton. A graveside memorial was held on his birthday, Oct. 9, at Butternut Cemetery, Eaton Twp.

## Hugh F. Jackson

Hugh F. Jackson, 79, of Elyria, formerly of LaGrange, died Oct. 11, 2004, at New Life Hospice Center of St. Joseph, Lorain, following a two-month illness.

He was born Nov. 22, 1924, in Spring City, Tenn.

Mr. Jackson worked as a materials handler at Ridge Tool, Elyria, before retiring in 1986 after 25 years. He attended the Church of God, North Ridgeville, and enjoyed hunting, fishing, gospel music, the Cleveland Indians and his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife of 46 years, Jessie M. (nee Ellis); daughter, Diane McCullough of Elyria; a brother, Ray Jackson of North Ridgeville; and two grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Thomas and Katie (nee Furgeson) Jackson; and sisters, Louise Teffer, Geneva Roberts Whitmer and Mary Jackson.

Arrangements were handled by Butler & Son Funeral Home, North Royalton. Services were held Oct. 18. The Rev. Jamie Howell of Cathedral of Life Assembly of God, North Ridgeville, and the Rev. James Monday officiated. Burial was in Resthaven Memory Gardens, Avon. Memorial contributions may be made to New Life Hospice, 5255 N. Abbe Road, Elyria 44035-1450.

## Ronald W. Metz

Ronald W. Metz, 70, of Elyria, died Oct. 11, 2004, at EMH Regional Medical Center, Elyria, following a brief illness.

He was born in Braddock, Pa., and moved to

Elyria in 1941. He served in the U.S. Army in the Korean War for 18 months. He graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology, Cleveland. Mr. Metz was employed at the former Allen Memorial Hospital in Oberlin as a lab technician for 30 years before retiring in 1996. He was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1079 and AMVETS Post 32, both in Elyria. He enjoyed gardening, history and his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Pauline (nee Iwanski); daughter, Julie Ann Metz of Elyria; son, Richard Allan Metz of Elyria; his mother, Margaret H. Metz (nee Schano) of North Ridgeville; sister, Beverly Pearson of Elyria; and brothers, Wilbert C. and Robert Metz both of Elyria; and three grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his father, Wilbert P. Metz, in 1993; and a brother, Eugene, in 1969.

Arrangements were handled by Bauer-Laubenthal Funeral Home, Elyria. Services were held Oct. 15 in the chapel of Brookdale Cemetery, Carlisle Township. The Rev. David Hockney, pastor of Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, officiated Burial was in Brookdale Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 500 E. 25th St., Lorain 44052.

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## POLICE &amp; FIRE BLOTTERS

By Carol Klear

## Need to grind some stumps

Police were called to Sugar Ridge Road RV and Boat Storage concerning a stolen truck and stump grinder.

## Girl hit by BB

A Jaycox Road resident reported that a BB from a BB gun had injured her daughter. Two juveniles were placed under arrest for discharging BB guns.

## Theft on Briarwood Circle

A Briarwood Circle resident reported a burglary in which cash, a pair of Tiffany earrings and rings were taken.

## Animal hit and put down

A vehicle west of Barton and Mills roads

struck an animal. It was put down.

## Crystal Springs reports theft

Someone from Crystal Springs on Bagley Road reported a theft from the banquet hall on the premises.

## In big trouble

A male was stopped for a traffic violation on Center Ridge Road at Main, and was arrested for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia and carrying a concealed weapon.

## Needs more than gas

Someone at Sheetz reported theft of gas. An adult male was arrested for theft, DUI and no operator's license.

## Keep dog confined

A Hedgerow Drive resident reported a

dog-at-large. The dog was located and taken to the kennel. The owner was cited for dog-at-large.

## Burned to a crisp

Firefighters were called to an Elder Avenue address where a homeowner was cooking in a microwave. The food overheated causing smoke in the house. The house was ventilated.

## Turned on part way

A Root Road homeowner went to Station 2 on Lorain Road to report that a stove had been leaking gas earlier in the day. She said she turned the gas off when she left the house and also opened the windows. She asked firefighters to check the stove for her. When firefighters arrived there was a slight smell of smoke and all

the doors and windows were opened and the smell was cleared.

It was learned that the homeowner's mother had turned a burner on the stove only partway resulting in the gas leak.

## Hot wheel

Firefighters went to the Ohio Turnpike after a tractor-trailer was found disabled on the side of the road after losing a front wheel. A small fire started at the front wheel; the fire was extinguished.

## Transports

From Oct. 7-Oct. 13, the North Ridgeville Fire Department had 14 fire runs and 40 EMS runs. There were 15 runs to EMH Regional Medical Center, 11 to St. John West Shore Hospital, two to Fairview Hospital and 12 "no transports."

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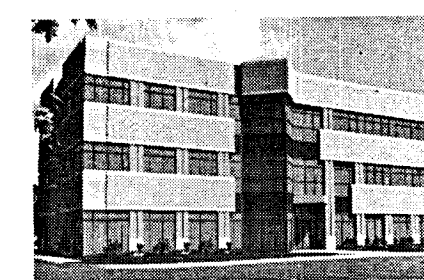
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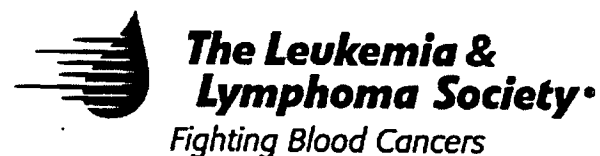




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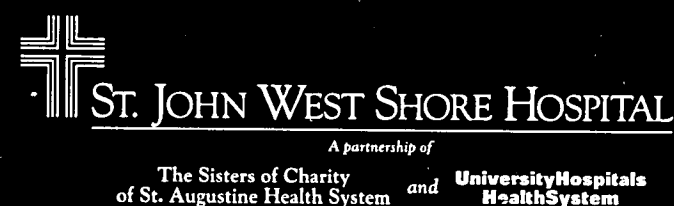
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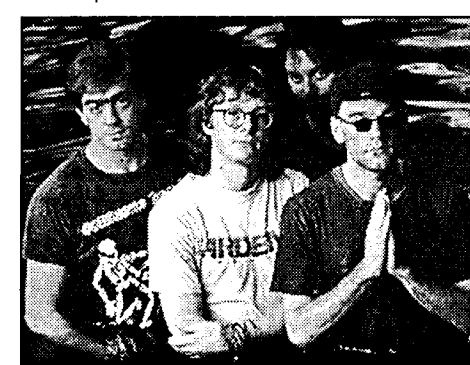
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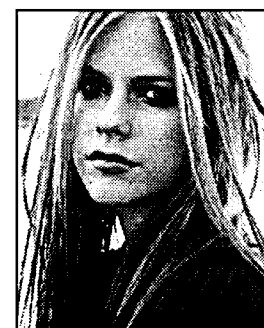
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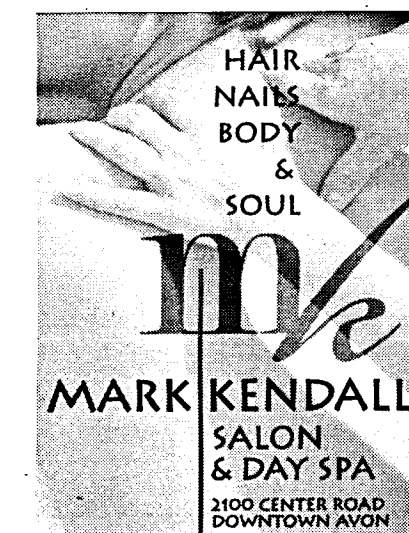
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**230 Garage Sales**  
GARAGE SALE ADS  
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For \$9 a 20 word Garage Sale Ad will be placed in the North Ridgeville Press & Light, West Lake, Avon Lake Press, and the Vermilion Post-Journal newspapers. Your ad will also be placed in each paper's Quick Clipper for the convenience of the Garage Sale Shopper!

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AVON LAKE: 32225 Augusta Drive (Sweetbriar Estates), Thursday, 10/21, 8am-2pm. Moving sale. Miscellaneous furniture and appliances. No early birds. Cash only.

AVON LAKE: 126 & 143 Glenview Drive, Thur-Fri, 9:00am-3:00pm. Multi-family. Everything from A-Z. Everything must go! Priced to sell.

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**NEARLY NEW SALE**  
Saturday, October 23rd  
9:00am to 1:00pm

Bay United Methodist Church  
Bassett and Lake Rd., Bay Village

BAY VILLAGE: Moving sale. 31022 Nantucket, Thursday, 9am-2pm. Chimeba, G. Foreman-Grill, toys, interior-decor, videos, end tables, bikes, TV, washing machine, miscellaneous. No earlybirds.

BAY VILLAGE 591 Juneway Dr. Thursday 9am-3pm. Porch Sale. Decorative accessories, Household, lamps, throw-rugs, rubber stamps, holiday, Think mini. Tuesday Morning.

BAY: 26818 Midland Thursday-Saturday 9am-5pm. Many unusual items. Priced to sell. Some cameras.

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SHEFFIELD VILLAGE: 4391 Wheaton Drive (College Hts. Estates, off Abbe), Friday & Saturday, 9am-4pm. Open shelf hutch, TV/VCR cart, lamps, miscellaneous household items, holiday crafts, chandelier, winter jackets, girls twin comforter/matching sheets, throws/pillows.

SHEFFIELD VILLAGE SALE 2555 Abbe Rd Fri-Sat 9am-7 Housewares, 2-kids bikes, DVDS, VCRS, decorator accessories, silverware, Sears wash/dryer, 2-expensive upholstered recliners.

WESTLAKE 28037 Sherwood Thurs. 9am-6pm. Crafts, toys, Legos, Kinex, old buttons, jewelry chest, household, sewing, crafts, Christmas, sports, misc.

WESTLAKE 30604 Adams Lane Thurs-Fri. 10/21-10/22 9am-2pm. Moving Sale. Bikes, furniture, household clothing, books, toys, Little Treasures, glassware, small appliances, more.

WESTLAKE CRAFT SALE: Clague Park Cabin Oct. 22-23 9am-4pm. Gift items. Charities benefit.

WESTLAKE: 30862 Lytham Cr. (Prestwick) Thursday 8am-3pm, Friday 8am-noon. Clothes, office/home furniture, AV equipment, bicycle, duneside sink chairs, much more.

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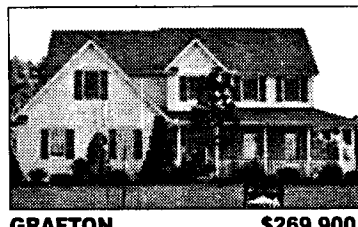
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COMPLETELY REDONE! 3 bdrm home with newer windows, C/A, 2 car (24x24) garage, drive & sidewalk & patio, vinyl siding, gutters. Glass block windows & 1/2 bath in bsmt, remodeled kitchen & bath, updated electric.  
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REMARKABLE BUNGALOW! Completely remodeled with new carpet, tile floors, roof, siding and much more! 4 bdrms, 2 full baths. On a quiet street. Great new deck! Call today to arrange a showing!  
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COLONIAL WITH STYLE, nestled all way back at the end of the cul-de-sac, situated on over 4 acres. This 4 bdrm Colonial has over 2300 sq.ft., great room w/lots of windows, formal dining room, huge master suite, many upgrades.  
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THIS HOME MUST SELL!! It has newer carpeting throughout, newer roof, newer garage door, extra large laundry room, plenty of storage—all on a cul-de-sac.  
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**ELYRIA** \$173,900  
TASTEFULLY DECORATED THROUGHOUT. Great 3 bdrm Ranch w/2 full baths, quality upgrades, newer hardwood flooring in living room & dining room, large family room w/fplace, newer roof, windows, furnace.  
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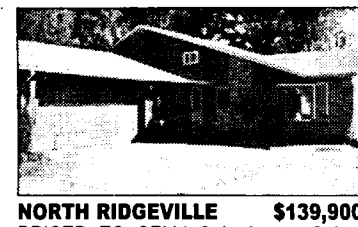
**LITCHFIELD** \$299,000  
COUNTRY LIVING. This home has 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, full fin. bsmt w/a bar & berber carpet, 28x32 family room w/fplace & 16 ft. curio cabinet, hot tub has its own room, gazebo, 26x4 pool w/deck & waterfall, 2 garage.  
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**FAIRVIEW BUNGALOW** \$119,900  
NEW LISTING. FAST OCCUPANCY! 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, alum. siding, new windows, carpeting, paint. Deep lot. Large kitchen, great location. Super Starter!  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$139,900  
PRICED TO SELL! 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, needs elbow grease & cosmetics. Newer gas furnace, roof & storm windows in last 5 years. Features include patio, 3.5 car garage w/hot & cold water, possible 4th bdrm off family room, large cul-de-sac lot.  
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**VERMILION** \$164,777  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$129,900  
OVER 1/2 ACRE! 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath ranch home. Updates include roof, furnace & windows. Spacious kitchen with breakfast bar, family room with slider to fenced yard, attached 2 car garage. Just a little bit of country!  
Susan Wagner (440) 835-8300



**SHEFFIELD** \$132,500  
PRIVATE YARD!!! 3 bdrm vinyl sided Bungalow w/1.5 bath, 1st floor bedroom, lovely woodburning brick fireplace, beamed ceilings, balcony overlooking family room, formal dining, nice size master w/walk-in closet, appl. stay, 2.5 car det. garage, private yard.  
Janet Sprecher (440) 327-6511 #5535



**VERMILION** \$279,900  
ELEGANCE & CHARM. 4 possible 5 bdrm, formal living room, dining room, media room, huge kitchen loft, great room w/woodburner & indoor grill. Master suite & bath on 1st floor. Priced thousands under new construction.  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$254,900  
GRACIOUS & PRIVATE 4 bdrm Colonial home located on quaint country road, 5 mins to major highways—almost 3000 sq.ft., formal living room—dining rooms, beautiful 2 story, wood flooring, family room w/fplace, kitchen w/walk-in pantry, eating area. All rooms are spacious, 2 car garage.  
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**VERMILION** \$229,900  
BREATH TAKING CAPE COD!! Over 2100 sq.ft. & a fully fin. bsmt w/woodburner & walkout to landscaped treed back yard. 3 extra large bdrms, 2.5 baths, formal living room & dining room, super large eat-in kitchen w/breakfast bar, deep 2+ car garage.  
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**ROCKY RIVER** \$174,900  
A MUST SEE! Brand new kitchen w/ granite countertop, slate floor, custom maple cabinets, new appliances, new windows, bedrooms & hall carpet, updated electric. Rebuilt dining room w/walkout to new deck. 2 fireplaces, screened porch & more!  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$204,900  
IN-LAW SUITE. This 3 bedroom, 2 bath Ranch has formal dining room, living room w/fplace, den, self contained in-law suite w/ its own furnace, H2O tank, 1 bdrm, 1 bath, large living & dining area.  
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**AMHERST** \$169,900  
ROMANCE OF YESTERYEAR embraces all who visit this enticing 1920's colonial. Rich in detail of the era, including beautiful woodwork, large rooms—yet many newer items: windows, carpet, roof, garage door. You'll love the difference here!  
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**OLMSTED TOWNSHIP** \$249,900  
FABULOUS SPLIT/COLONIAL! 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths with 2522 sq.ft. of beauty! Vaulted kitchen with skylight, vaulted dining room & master bedroom. Neutral decor. Super 3 season Florida sun room with view of decor pond with waterfall. 1st floor laundry, basement. Open and bright!  
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**SHEFFIELD LAKE** \$137,500  
COMFORTABLE SPLIT LEVEL. Double fenced lot, ceramic floor in country kitchen & main bath, some newer carpet & paint, newer central air. 24x14 deck, above ground pool. Lower level extra room, built in shelving in kitchen & fresh family room.  
Patricia Brelo (440) 835-8300



**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$189,900  
ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS Ranch features 1866 sq.ft. of living space, 3 bdrm, 2 baths, central air, gas heat, family room w/woodburning fireplace, eat-in kitchen, large yard, cul-de-sac. Breathtaking landscape.  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$287,000  
JUST LISTED!! Huge 4 bedroom brick front Colonial with crown molding, hardwood floors, lovely sun room/morning room, 2 kitchens, 3 1/2 baths, panoramic view with fishing pond in rear.  
Jorlyn Whitmore (440) 835-8300



**WESTLAKE** \$289,900  
CONTEMPORARY 3000 sq.ft. of unique living. Beautiful views onto gorgeous wooded lot with creek. 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, huge family room & den with wood flooring. Quick occupancy—location!  
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**BAY VILLAGE** \$365,000  
PRIVACY PLUS! 4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath w/brick front on large wooded lot. Beautifully maintained w/newer furnace, A/C, roof, all appliances. Over 3000 sq.ft., fabulous backyard w/patio. Located in another of Bay's finest areas.  
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3+ ACRES ZONED HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT! Growing area by turnpike & 480 ramps. 3.12 acres w/potential! Home on property rented at \$1050/mth. Now is the time to buy! Landscapers, ice cream shop, day care, etc. Limited only by your imagination!  
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**WESTLAKE CONDO** \$214,900  
4 BDRM, 2 1/2 BATH CONDO IN STONEWOOD.

Beautiful arched brick fplce, built-in shelves & cabinets in living & dining rooms. All newer appliances. Eating area in kitchen, 2nd floor utility, large walk-in closets in both bdrms, built-in vac system.  
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**SHEFFIELD-LAND** \$720,750  
INDUSTRIAL ZONED property could possibly be rezoned for residential building lots. Close to I-90. Call Gary or Carla King (440) 282-4444

**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$108,500  
FIXER UPPER RANCH near SR10 sits on .62 acres. 3/4 bedrooms. Needs rehab.  
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**NORTH RIDGEVILLE** \$119,000  
WELL MAINTAINED TOWNHOME nice deck

off living area, master bdrm has its own full bath & walk-in closet, nice lower level family room w/fplace, att. 2 car garage. Immediate possession. Priced to sell.  
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THE LUXURY OF SPACE!! Is yours in this lovely Traditional colonial on private dead end street. landscaped, sprinkling system. No compromises in quality construction and nice surprise touches throughout. Exceptional value.  
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