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## Butkowskis take pride in Corn Festival

By Melissa Linebrink

Twenty-nine years ago, John and Bernadine Butkowski discovered an event that would bring a community together—the North Ridgeville Corn Festival.

John, who is vice president of Power Services for Orius Central Office Services Group in Amherst, spearheaded the event because as a requirement of North Ridgeville becoming a Bicentennial Community, the city needed to host an event that would bring together a community.

"After the Bicentennial, we decided to continue the festival and it has grown to what we have today—a chance for the community to have a reason to get together and have a good time," John said. "I believe that the recipe for the festival's success is free admission, free parking and free entertainment."

His wife agrees.

"Entertainment, food and fun. Every day there is great entertainment for all ages—music, car shows and special demonstrations," she said. "It's a great weekend for the entire city."

John, who grew up in Lorain, refers to the Corn Festival as a "homecoming of sorts" as college students meet their former North Ridgeville classmates and students on vacation for the summer meet the friends they made during the school year. Additionally, it draws the

entire community together for one weekend during the year, he said.

Bernadine, who moved to North Ridgeville when she was 2 years old, said she enjoys hearing stories about what is happening in her friends' lives.

A tour director with Great Day Tours, Bernadine said their children, Pamela who resides in Redondo Beach, Calif. and Bob who lives in Chillicothe, grew up with the festival and have fond memories of the event. She too has great recollections of the people that she has met and worked with over the years.

"I look forward to the festival each year to meet old friends and make new ones," she said.

John and Bernadine both have been pleased that over the past years the Corn Festival has received local recognition.

"I was pleased that all of the hard work over the years by the festival committee was recognized (in Cleveland Magazine) and was elated that the Corn Festival was the vehicle that helped publicize the City of North Ridgeville," John said.

Aside from taking part in the Corn Festival, the Butkowskis find satisfaction in helping people solve problems.



Bernadine and John Butkowski work side-by-side to help make North Ridgeville's Corn Festival a successful event.

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## School board takes first step toward November ballot

By Carol Klear

There is no final decision on whether or not the North Ridgeville City Schools will put a levy on the November ballot, however during the July 29 work session the school board passed a resolution of necessity. It also requested that the state tax commissioner estimate the rate needed to generate \$2.4 million, through both a property tax and an income tax.

Another voice was heard on a proposed school levy last week when Behm Drive resident Jim Snyder joined the discussion on whether to put an issue on the November ballot.

Labeling himself "Mr. Average

Taxpayer," Snyder alerted board members that in talking to other residents he learned they feel a levy was passed not long ago, however they forget it was a renewal.

"We thought we had a surplus of \$1 million to the good," he said.

Snyder, a lifelong North Ridgeville resident, told the board that of the two options his choice would be the income tax, though he admitted his fear is "once you give it, you've lost control."

He also promised if they prove to him the district needs the money, "I'll be right there with you. I would go along with an income tax."

Superintendent Larry Bowersox said

the North Ridgeville City Schools need \$2.4 million to continue the quality programs that are presently in place, stressing the district has suffered state cuts while anticipating extensive growth over the next several years, due to the large number of housing units under construction in the city.

Bowersox asked board members whether an income or a property tax would be the way to go.

"I think we have a better chance of passing an income tax," Ross Mitchell, school board vice-president said.

However, Tom Dake questioned the \$2.4 million figure and where the money will be spent.

Bowersox said the district would have additional costs in a number of areas, including special education, the gifted and talented curriculum, technology updates, increased class sizes and professional development for teachers.

"I think we need to put together a pie chart," Dake said. "We want the community to know how it's spent."

As he has said before, School Treasurer Biagio Sidoti stressed that the levy passed in 1995 was for 9.8 mills and generated \$2.7 million, however during the past seven years, the millage has

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## Governor honors local company for excellence in exporting

By Carol Klear

BioPlastics, a North Ridgeville company, was one of 29 Ohio firms honored by Gov. Bob Taft last week in Columbus, and was given the Governor's Excellence in Exporting Award.

The award was established in 1985 and each year the governor presents "E" Awards to organizations of all sizes that have increased their export-related jobs in Ohio or have helped the state's companies achieve success internationally.

BioPlastics has been in business since 1977 and moved to its location at 34655 Mills Road in 1986.

"We make plastic-coated belting products," Frank Boron, BioPlastics president said. "We purchase webbing

and put the plastic coating on it."

BioThane Belting has a variety of coating classes and thicknesses.

Boron said that three years ago the company had just two distributors outside the United States and today there are 12-14.

"We export to quite a few countries," he said, including the Middle East, India, Puerto Rico, Canada and Scandinavia.

"We have talked to a lot of people," Boron said. "It's a slow process but we're getting there."

Leading the way on a tour of the company, Boron stopped at a large display highlighting the various products they offer, including outdoor, medical, sports and industrial use items. Photos,

in what Boron calls the company's "care package," show straps used in back-board restraints, as well as head immobilizer straps and handles and shoulder straps on medical bags.

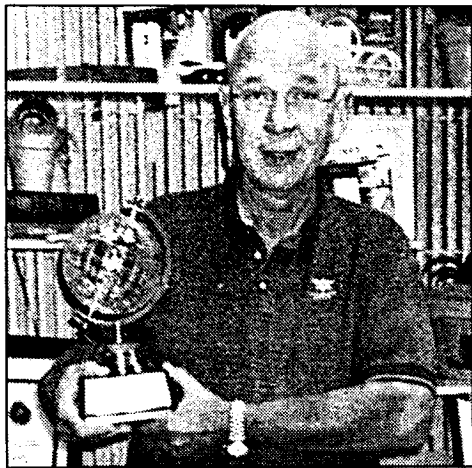
"We provide football straps," he said. "There are belts and guitar straps, and we've begun selling into the military."

The equine business is a large outlet in the area of tack and harnesses.

"We sell a lot to the Amish," Boron said.

Large rolls of webbing of various widths from three-eighths to 4 inches stand ready and waiting in the factory. Waving a hand across the huge rolls,

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Frank Boron, president of BioPlastics holding his company's award.

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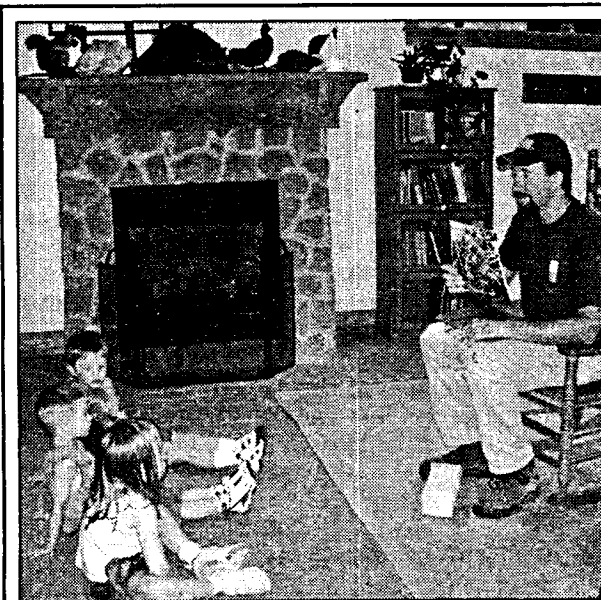
## Farrell named mother of the year

The Mothers Club of St. Peter Church named Catherine Farrell "Mother of the Year." It has become a club tradition to select, by community vote, a mother of extraordinary merit to receive the title.

Farrell and her husband Vince have five children, four of whom are in the military. Three sons and one daughter were directly involved in defending our free-

dom in the Iraqi war.

She was honored with a tea at the home of Mim Nagy and was presented with a testimonial plaque, flowers and gifts. Farrell, representing all mothers who have children in the military, and her husband will be featured in the Corn Festival parade and will ride in a horse drawn carriage.



Naturalist Tim Fairweather shows the children a black and white picture of an animal. He later displayed the photograph in color.

## Children learn about their senses in a unique way

By Melissa Linebrink

Every day children and people all over the world use their five senses for a variety of reasons. On July 20, three local children learned what the five senses are and how they use them at the Sandy Ridge Reservation off Otten Road.

Naturalist Tim Fairweather began the program by bringing out his "toolbox." However, this was no ordinary toolbox. This box was filled with what body parts are used when discovering your senses—sight, taste, touch, hear and smell.

During the program, Fairweather told the children what each of their senses is used for and at the end of the session he brought out a turtle. He then told the children what senses the turtle uses for survival.

The Lorain County Metro Parks have been hosting a "sensory circle" for an estimated 20-30 years. It is geared toward younger children, most commonly those who are in pre-school through second grade.

"The program helps children think about using their five senses," Fairweather said.

Most of the programs come at the request of an area school. The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Center requested the July 30 class.



Pictured left to right: Mary Cole, Norma Rofe, Mim Nagy, Catherine Farrell, Kathleen Forthofer and Jean Nichols.

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Special Corn Festival event at Old Town Hall, Aug. 10

STOP BY....As a special Corn Festival salute to Ohio's Bicentennial, North Ridgeville's Historical Society will have a float in the Corn Festival Parade.

KLEARLY SPEAKING

James Zarlina were featured in last week's Inside & Out section of the P.D. instead of in the P&L. They've invited me to visit their gardens, which I may very well do.

soaps. It was quite a family affair as 5-year-old Evan Smith took over as marketing director. When a visitor would approach the booth, Evan went into his spiel about how good the soap is and how it has no artificial ingredients.

AND ANOTHER....Discovered another local flea market a couple of weeks ago at the Auto-Rama on Lorain Road. On Saturday mornings, long before the featured film gets going after dark, the drive-in theater holds a flea market.

SHOULDA KNOWN....On several occasions I've mentioned how much I like the yard at the house on Center Ridge Road, west of Lear Nagle. I have to admit I've also thought of doing a story, but...Thanks to my procrastination, homeowners John Knapp and

AREN'T FLEA MARKETS FUN?....I went to the Fleatigue last week and bought a couple of things. I always enjoy that event, even if I don't buy anything. This year John and Chris Smith of Lavender Ridge Farm on Stoney Ridge Road had a booth featuring homemade

had a broken foot, so he gave it to me.

TAKES ALL KINDS....I did jury duty last week (and there will probably be more on that another day). With all the construction going on in downtown Elyria, jurors were instructed to park in a lot on Washington Avenue and then be shuttled to the court. As we headed to the courthouse on our last day, we all did a double take as we passed a man driving a car with dozens and dozens of dinosaurs of all sizes, somehow attached to the top and hood of his car. It was wild, to say the least.

PRESSLINE

Don McClintock: I was reading The Press & Light about the police levy. What's wrong with using people like myself, 19 years in North Ridgeville, retired after 25 years with Cleveland (CPD) to do minor reports? We're all trained to do Ohio accident reports and minor reports and free up the other cars for domestic stuff. There's nothing wrong with me physically, I'm looking for a part-time job. I don't know why you don't use guys like us to be like an overlap shift, that's what we did in Cleveland. I think Olmsted Falls has a part-time police department from other departments to fill in. I think that would be a good part-time job.

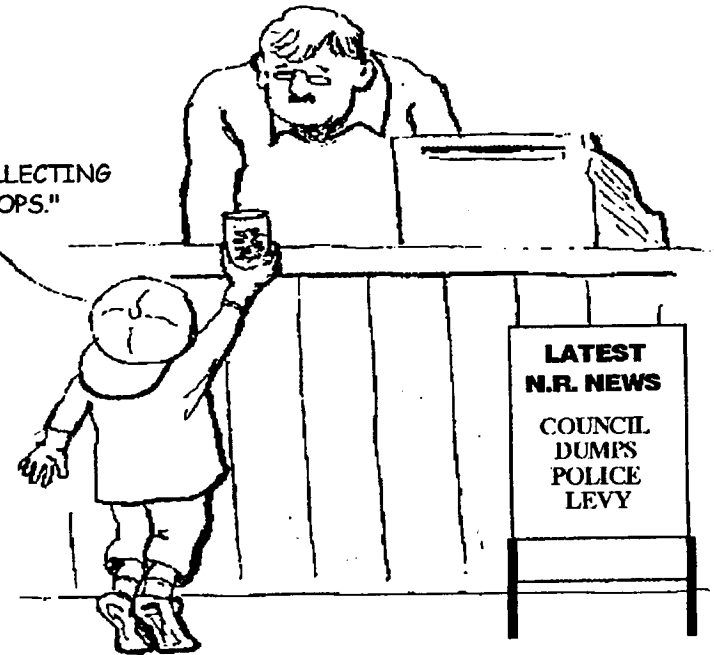
Caller: Hats off and thanks to the Republican members of council for voting no to a new tax before investigating all the possibilities of cuts. We taxpayers appreciate their concern for us. I think it's commendable they took that stand, no matter what the administration tries to jam down our

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Press & Light

Ed Kelly

"SIR! 'M COLLECTING COIN: FOR COPS."



'Tis the time for tossing some corn cobs and cornflowers

Summer is on the wane, but there is still one big event left for Ridgeville residents-perhaps the biggest of the whole year-the Corn Festival that starts Friday night for a three-day run.

Keeping with the Corn Festival celebration, we've decided to toss some cornflower bouquets to some special people, places or events that help make our world a nicer place to live. But lest you think we've gone soft and sappy, we're also going to throw corn cobs to people, places or things that tend to bog us down.

Before we begin and before we're barged with queries about "cornflowers," we have to explain that cornflowers are nothing more than bachelor buttons and come in a variety of colors and make very pretty bouquets.

And here we go.

Cornflowers: To the Corn Festival Committee for putting on the biggest



Editor's Notebook

By Carol Klear

show in the city year after year. This year marks the 29th anniversary of the celebration.

Corn Cobs: To visitors to the Corn Festival who leave their manners at home during the Bainbridge Road event and dump their leftover food, paper plates and pop cans wherever they happen to finish with them. Hey, there are plenty of trash receptacles throughout the festival grounds...use 'em!

Cornflowers: To all North Ridgeville's produce growers, and especially those who grow and sell sweet corn. There's nothing better for a summer supper than an ear (or two or three or...) of succulent sweet corn slathered with butter. Um... North Ridgeville originally was a farming community and it's wonderful to see the fruit and vegetable stands here and there to remind us of our heritage.

Cornflowers: To council for taking time to rethink putting a police levy on the November ballot and whoa...before members of the NRPD start getting all huffy, it has nothing to do with the job you do or whether or not you need the money, which of course you do. It has to do with council also doing its job by exhausting all other cost-cutting alternatives, before dumping the dilemma onto taxpayers' laps. Who knows, a levy may be the only way out of the

city's money maze, but with today's economy, let's make it a last resort rather than the first.

Corn Cobs: To SOME...note the operative word is SOME...Ridgeville posters on LorainCounty.com who post before they ponder. The result is much misinformation, which in turn leads to some really uncalled for ripping, snipping commentary.

Cornflowers: Here is where some of you may want to tune out, because it's a bit more up close and personal, and I know there's a percentage out there in Readerland that aren't interested, but here goes and don't say we didn't warn you. Bouquets of cornflowers to a daughter who's about to become a mother. And a special bouquet to my husband today, on our 43rd wedding anniversary.

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Easter Seals "Walk with Me" a success

To the Editor:
Easter Seals extends a heartfelt thank you to everyone who in any way helped to make their second annual "Walk with Me" a great success. On July 19, 525 community walkers and rollers united on a sunny morning at Riverside Park, Lorain, to raise more than \$45,000 for Easter Seals.

The actual walk distance may not have been far-just one or four miles-but the journey towards making a difference in the lives of children and adults with disabilities was extraordinary. With each step, participants and sponsors made an investment in helping Easter Seals create solutions and change the lives of hundreds of local families.

Easter Seals Northwestern Ohio serves our area through an umbrella of services including living/home care, medical equipment loan including pediatric equipment loan, speech language therapy, a child safety program that includes distribution of car seats to low income families and special needs car seats, camp and recreation for children and young adults with disabilities and disability awareness programs.

We are extremely grateful and appreciative to the Lorain Port Authority for providing our venue and helping to market our event to our many sponsors and volunteers and most of all, to everyone who took the time from their busy lives to put hope within reach for people with disabilities.

Founded in 1919 in Elyria, Easter Seals is the nation's oldest and largest non-profit organization serving both children and adults with disabilities and other special needs.

Carol Cunningham
Director of Development
Easter Seals Northwestern Ohio

Update on Farrell Army

To the Editor:
I thought that perhaps some might be interested in an update on the Farrell Army, or as Judge John Musson calls them, "The Fighting Farrells."

Patrick left for Iraq on April 5 and returned home nine weeks later. This was good since he and his wife, Christine, celebrated the birth of their second son, Shaun Michael on July 17. Patrick is having a hard time coping with the death of the three soldiers of the 4th Infantry Division who were killed while guarding the children's hospital in Ba'qubah. All three were from his company and he stated that one of the things he felt he had accomplished over there was putting a guard force in place to protect the kids at the hospital.

Vince, our oldest left for Iraq in January and returned last month. He spent most of his time at Baghdad International Airport. Needless to say, he's very happy to be home.

Chris, our second son, is still in Iraq and expects to remain until sometime in October. Both he and his

fiancé, Rachel, are keeping their fingers crossed, as are Mrs. Farrell and I, since they've set their wedding date for Nov. 8 at the Post Chapel at Ft. Campbell, Ky.

Jennifer is still in Iraq and will be there until at least January. Her 5-year obligation to the U.S. Army will be completed in May of 2004 and she will have to decide if she wishes to remain in the service or leave. She did earn her master's degree in international regulations this past May.

We're hoping that Vince will be visiting with us Aug. 6 for a short time.

Vince Farrell
North Ridgeville

Collecting for back-to-school drive

To the Editor:
My name is Shawn Mills and I am a Boy Scout with Troop 140. As a service to the community of North Ridgeville, I will be having a back-to-school drive to help less fortunate children for the upcoming school year. Suggested items that are needed are supplies such as pens, pencils, glue, scissors and folders, toiletries such as toothpaste, shampoo and soap, and children's clothing such as socks and underclothes. I will be collecting these items in front of the North Ridgeville Giant Eagle today (Aug. 6) from 3-8 p.m. I will be at the Marc's/Big Lots plaza on Aug. 13, 14 and 15 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and from 3-8 p.m. All items will be donated to Community Care in North Ridgeville and will be distributed to those in need.

Shawn Mills
North Ridgeville

Frimel will be missed

To the Editor:
I'd like to take this opportunity to publicly thank Karen Frimel for her years of dedicated service as principal at Liberty Elementary School. She leaves some big shoes to fill. Mrs. Frimel has shown integrity, caring, sacrifice and unwavering understanding during the time that my son has been fortunate enough to be in her care. My husband and I have been, without exception, impressed with Mrs. Frimel's attitude, knowledge and cheerful demeanor. Whenever her name has been mentioned in the presence of other Liberty families, I have heard nothing but glowing, positive comments from parents and children alike.

Mrs. Frimel will be missed. We wish her much luck and happiness.

Terrie Gilland
North Ridgeville

Comer family says thank you

To the Editor:
Randall Comer and family would like to thank everyone who came and participated in the fund-raiser that was held for him at the Church of God on Jaycox Road in North Ridgeville. A special thank you to all who donated to Darlene Scott and Robin Long for

organizing it and getting it together and to all of the singers who came and gave of their talent and time. We appreciated everything. God bless you all.

Randall Comer and family
North Ridgeville

Apology owed

To the Editor:
Question: Is there anything worse than a woman who doesn't like yard work?

Answer: Yes, a husband who publicly belittles her and congratulates a neighbor on his choice of wives.

Mr. Zajaros, you owe your wife (if she is still speaking to you) a big apology and something expensive.

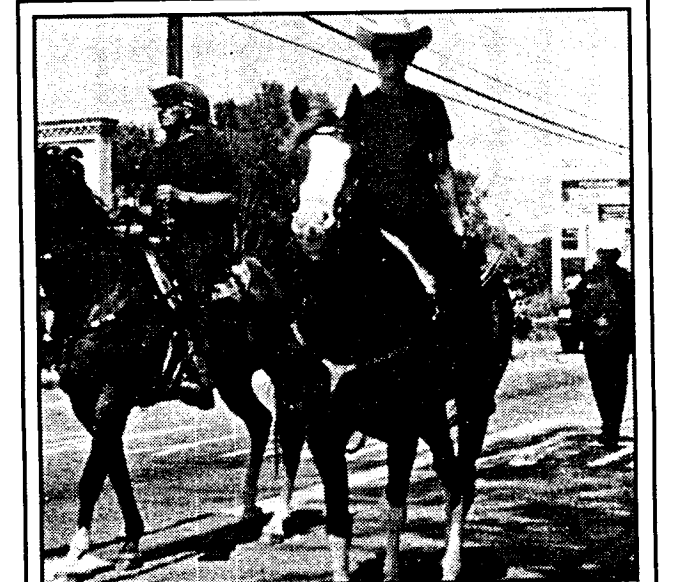
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North Ridgeville

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throats.

Caller: Mr. Swindig's cut in salary was so he wouldn't lose his disability. Hell, without his disability he's getting paid what he's worth, which isn't much.

Caller: The (Police Department) Support Car Program has to go and city employees should pay a part of health insurance. The tax should go to the general fund rather than to one department.



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# Murray and Meredith win this year's festival scholarships

The Corn Festival Committee has been providing scholarships to graduating seniors for more than 15 years. This year's recipients are North Ridgeville High School (NRHS) graduates Jade Murray and Jill Meredith.

While at NRHS, Murray was involved in many school activities, but during summer vacation she said that the three-day Corn Festival was an event she always looked forward to.

She said the festival was something to work the family vacation around and a time to come together as a community, a way to get rid of stress and enjoy what has become the city's pride.

Murray said the Corn Festival is not just a festival, but has been a part of her

life for the past 17 years.

"Some of my greatest memories, I owe to the festival and I know no matter where life may take me, my heart will always lead me back to Ridgeville, even if just for these three days," she said.

Murray plans to attend Baldwin-Wallace College this fall.

Like Murray, Meredith has been involved in many school and community activities and she has attended the Corn Festival for as long as she can remember.

She recalls walking up and down Bainbridge Road as a small child and being astounded at how workers in the political booths would give her a free balloon, even though she was too young to vote.

The festival meant smoothies and dunking booth fun. It also meant that a new school year was not far off.

"The festival annually helps the (NRHS) band raise money with the dunking booth and it also helps political candidates meet the people and express their views," Meredith said.

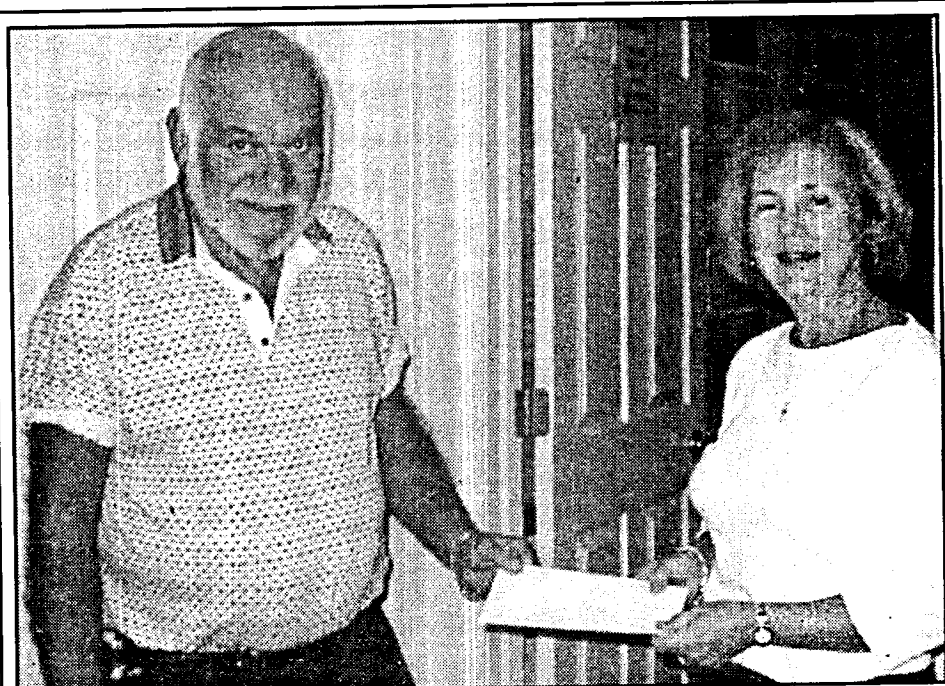
It also gives local vendors and even large companies a chance to introduce their products. She said she first tasted Yoo-hoo Chocolate Drink at the Corn Festival and often finds she still craves

Corn Fest lemonade.

Besides visiting all the booths, Meredith said she sometimes finds the best way to spend an August afternoon is to "people watch" while relaxing on the park grass at the Corn Festival.

The NRHS grad will be taking her favorite memories from high school and the annual August festival when she heads to Ohio State University in the fall.

To apply for the 2004 scholarship, check the Corn Festival website, [www.nrcomfest.org](http://www.nrcomfest.org) in the fall.



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Developer Frank Dettore presents a check for \$5,000 to June Yost, executive director of the North Ridgeville Community Care to be used for food, a primary need for Community Care clients. Each week for the past two months the organization has served 70-110 people.

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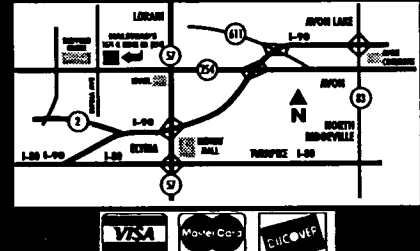
Emily Berger (left) and Nicole Ginley put on their Corn Festival outfits and are all ready to welcome visitors to the 29th annual Corn Festival.

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Boron explained that the company "buys all kinds of webbing-mostly polyester."

The webbing is fed into a machine where it is coated, then run through a trough of water to cool and then put on spools.

As an employee stood at the end of the conveyor seeming to wrap the coating webbing onto a spool, Boron explained that the worker's touch is the best way to detect imperfections in the product as it completes its journey.

The next portion of the plant houses the quality control part of the company. The company president showed another facet of the operation, the fabrication department where belts are cut and punched.

Picking up a bright orange belt and turning it over in his hands, Boron said that it is a training device for dogs for a customer in Houston.

According to information on the company's website, rolled goods continue to be the basis of the firm's sales,

### LEVY, from page 1

dropped to 6 mills.

"We have finished every year in the black since 1995," Dake said. "The projected budget is a deficit."

Bowersox said there are two issues involved if the district asks voters to support an income tax.

"We need to convey the need for the money," he said. "We need to explain what an income tax is. We need to share information because school finances are difficult to understand."

Because of increased population, the average North Ridgeville homeowner pays less to schools than before.

Dake recommended having a public hearing on levy issues and Scott Ross, the district's public relations officer, suggested having people express their ideas on the levy.

### FESTIVAL, from page 1

Bernadine, who also serves as a city council representative, enjoys resolving problems residents may have with city services. However, she admits the hardest part of serving a city is when the income is dropping and the need for more dollars is growing.

"It becomes very difficult to cut the money going to the departments," she said.

While John enjoys helping people work out their differences, he knows that there are certain things in a person's life that cannot be controlled.

"Life is a game, if you know the rules, you can win the game," is the philosophy he lives by.

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Though most of the items manufactured at BioPlastics are shipped to distributors, Boron said there are two that the company markets itself-restraints for EMS patients and the guitar straps.

A small laboratory is the testing station where the company assesses not only its own products, but also the competition's, while another section boasts the engineering research area and Boron said that they have come up with some special ideas.

As Boron walked through the plant, the operation continued to hum and workers went on with their jobs. "You've gotta have great folks or nothing happens," Boron said.

Companies vying for the Governor's Excellence in Exporting Award had to illustrate and explain trends from one year to the next in relation to a number of issues including the total dollar volume of exports, the percentage of export sales to total sales, job retention and

"You're elected to make decisions for the community," Snyder reminded board members.

"You have the information to make decisions," he said. "You have the options, it's your time to make decisions."

Putting a different twist on the discussion, Ross said the board should ask itself, "What has the community come to expect?"

"It's up to the community to reflect its expectations," he said.

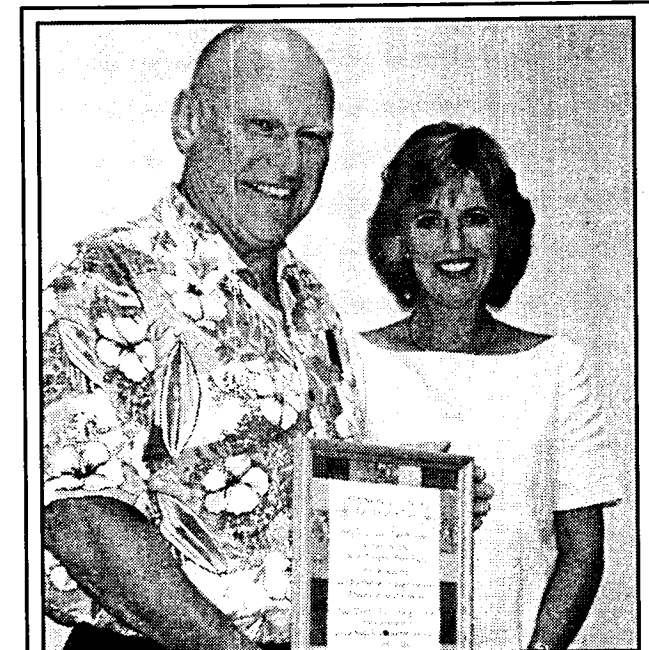
He reminded board members that at the education forum several months ago, those attending told the administration "they don't want cluster schools; they don't want busing cuts; they don't want classes changed."

He said the community should speak to the level of education it expects and then learn what the cost will be.

"If we do make reductions, the parents pay one way or another," Bowersox said. "I'm concerned about negatives or punitive issues."

creation or expansion resulting from export activities.

There were also a long list of supplemental materials that could be added to companies' applications, such as marketing strategies, demonstrations of having traveled to marketing area, promotional activities, training programs for overseas employees and participation in trade shows.



### A brief moment in time

School Board President Robin Hrabik cross-stitched a memento for interim Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jim Watson and presented it to him at his last meeting, July 30. Through her gift, Hrabik reminded him of people like Larry Bowersox, Superintendent of Administration and Treasurer Biagio Sidoti, CFO, in charge of the *Abacadabacus*. Press & Light by Carol Klear

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## TIME OUT

### Hoops tourney underway

After the North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation men's summer basketball league made up their rained out games last week, North Ridgeville High School basketball coach Mark Rechin had to deal with seeding the eight teams, five of which had identical records.



Joe Ostrica

In the Zone (ITZ), G-Unit and Johnny Malloy's (JM) all finished 9-4. Yellow Jackets and the NRHS varsity team, the Rangers, both finished 5-8. Head-to-head competition and total points scored is what made the difference in seeding the teams.

First round match-ups played yesterday included: the top-seeded Lakewood All-Stars (12-1) vs. Foreigners (1-12), ITZ vs. And One (2-11), G-Unit vs. Rangers and JM vs. Yellow Jackets.

LAS' roster features Mark Fannin, John Dillingham, Dan Gifford, Robbie Butts and Dave Fox, who were on last year's Lakewood High School team that advanced to the district championship game. They've also got Matt Fannin, 2002's Mr. Ohio Basketball, who currently plays for the Naval Academy. But they lost late in the season to JM, which features NRHS stars Andrew Rothacker and Adam Montgomery. G-Unit is looking to make some noise with Josh Hill, Bob Elkins, Jeremy Casey and Neil Barrett. Don't count out the Yellow Jackets which features Chad Nelson, Nathan Manning, John Kost and Dan Nelson on their roster.

ITZ is looking to be the spoilers again. Last year, ITZ, then known as Rat Pack, was a second-seeded team that upset the top-seeded Rangers.

In a preview of what possibly could be the championship game matchup, ITZ played LAS last week in a final regular season make-up game. It appeared to be a three-point shooting contest with both teams knocking down more than 10 shots each from long-distance.

While ITZ jumped out to an 18-12 lead in the early going, LAS came right back and took a 23-22 lead after a three-pointer. Then the ITZ players began to focus more on the referees and the calls, arguing with the officials instead of concentrating on their game. LAS led by 18 (69-51) in the middle of the second half.

ITZ fought their way back, getting as close as four points (75-71) with four minutes remaining. But the players continued to jaw at the refs and an altercation between one of the ITZ subs that was on the bench, the scorekeeper and a referee that just finished calling a game on the other court, almost got ugly. The game was stopped for a brief moment to cool ITZ's players down.

ITZ ended up losing 86-78. They've got the talent and tenacity to pull another upset for the title. If they can keep their mouths shut and put that much focus and energy into the game, they can beat LAS by double digits.

I want to root for a North Ridgeville team to win the championship, but I, and others who are passionate about the way the sport should be played, would like to see the eventual winner do it with class.

The semi-finals will be played at 6:15 p.m. at South Central Park tomorrow, followed by the championship game at 7:15 p.m.

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## Local swim team, new coach pleased with fun season

By Joe Ostrica

North Ridgeville's Katie Fagan was expecting a typical summer break after her second year at Kent State University. She thought she'd continue her full-time position as a supervisor and lifeguard at the Mills Creek South swimming pool.

Fagan ended up picking up a lot more work at the pool, which resulted in more rewarding ways than she could imagine.

Judith L. Slobodnik, president of the Mills Creek Swim Team (MCST), had to fill a head coaching position void at the last minute for the recreational summer swim team. Slobodnik knew Fagan swam on the MCST for 15 years and served as a lifeguard for the past six years. She called Fagan literally minutes before the team's first scheduled practice and asked her if she'd be interested.

"She called me and said, 'Do you want to coach?'" Fagan recalled. "I was like, 'Sure. I'll be over in 10 minutes.'"

Fagan committed herself to the MCST, working nearly three hours a day, five days a week at team practices in the morning, followed by a 10-hour daily life-guarding shift.

"It was a lot of work," Fagan said. "But it was well worth it. I loved it. I didn't realize how much I missed it until I got to the meets and saw how excited the kids were about competing. I remembered being there myself just a couple of years ago. Hopefully I'll be back next year to coach again."

MCST has been in existence for over 30 years and competes in the North Coast Swim League (NCSL) along with Amherst, Avon Lake, Bay Village, North Olmsted, Rocky River and Westlake. NCSL teams have an advantage over North Ridgeville because their teams have about twice the amount of swimmers than MCST. They also have the luxury of using the varsity swimmers from their schools. North Ridgeville had just three girls competing in varsity swimming last year. Most



North Ridgeville's 2003 Mills Creek Swim Team improved on last year's record, defeating Rocky River and finishing ahead of Bay Village twice.

of the opponents also have five or six coaches. Fagan had one assistant, Sarah Myer, to help her this summer.

"We're a neighborhood swim team that is swimming against city swim teams," Fagan said. "It's hard in the meets because we have so many less kids than the other teams do. They all have their high school swimmers. We only had three girls from the high school swim team to use. Westlake and North Olmsted have huge high school swim teams. We have whoever we can collect for the summer team."

Despite these obstacles, the MCST managed to go 2-4 in the regular season. They defeated Rocky River and Bay Village. The win against Rocky River was especially rewarding since they are a strong program and finished second place in the NCSL Championship at the end of the season.

"The kids were so excited because last year they only won one meet," Fagan said. "They were ecstatic to start off the season with a win in the first meet against Rocky River."

MCST finished sixth out of the seven teams in the NCSL Championship, ahead of Bay Village. Brian Drellishak, David Januzzi, Tom Sweeney and Connor Sweeney finished in first-place in the eight and under 100-yard medley relay. Januzzi also finished third in the 25-yard breaststroke. Scott Swartz placed second in the 14 and under 50-yard backstroke. Alyssa Lavalle finished first in the 12 and under 50-yard fly and second in the 50-yard free. Alexandra Leach-Wick placed first in the 14 and under 50-yard breaststroke. Taylor Reis finished third in the six and under 25-yard backstroke while Michaela Roherty finished third in the 25-yard breaststroke. Sarah Anders finished third in the open 50-yard backstroke.

"Alyssa is one of our best swimmers," Fagan said. "She swims all year round. She's half the size of the other 12 year-olds and she's an amazing swimmer. Alexandra also swims all year round. She's going to be swimming at Magnificat in the fall. This

SEE SWIM TEAM, page 10

## Esterak to guide Lady Rangers basketball

By Joe Ostrica

It appears the North Ridgeville High School girls basketball squad has found the right man to help turn the program around. The recently hired Chris Esterak, who has spent the past six years coaching at Brunswick, is ready to take the challenge of leading a ball club that has managed just three wins in the past two years.

"I have a pretty good history of taking teams that have losing records or haven't had much success and help turn them around to be a successful team," Esterak said.

Esterak has been doing it for 11 years to be exact. One of his first coaching gigs was in a parks and recreation league that featured Akron high school players. He took a team that was 1-11 and turned them to an 11-1 Division III champion squad the following year.

"I've always loved to play the game," Esterak said. "I've played ever since I was young, growing up in Akron. When I got out of high school, I knew coaching was something I always wanted to do. I was coaching my first year out of high school with the Akron parks and recreation teams. As soon as I got my degree in teaching, I started coaching at Brunswick."

After graduating from Kent State University, Esterak became a physical education teacher at Brunswick Middle School, a position he's held for the past six years. Esterak climbed the coaching ranks at Brunswick over the past four years, starting out with the seventh and eighth-grade girls teams before being named the head JV coach in the 2001-02 season. Last year Esterak served as an assistant coach for the Lady Blue Devils varsity team.

Esterak's JV squad at Brunswick won

just three games before he took over. Although he had to make dramatic adjustments when three of his players were called up to the varsity squad, his team still finished 11-9.

"That was a great accomplishment for that team to finish with that record," Esterak said.

Esterak is very familiar with NRHS' teams, as he has coached against them several times over the years.

"Playing against all of these girls in the North Ridgeville program the past four years, the one thing I always noticed is there is so much potential and talent there," he said. "I liked the effort that they gave each and every day. When the job opened up I felt that I could help this program turn around. I felt that my style of basketball and my attitude would rub off and I can help this team to use that potential to the best of their ability."

Esterak said he likes how hard his girls teams play for him, especially when they play as one unit.

"I like their intensity," he said. "They're intense. They're aggressive. They know how to play as a team. They do what you ask of them and give their all each and every day. To me, that's one of the most important things as a basketball player and a basketball team. Some of the things are hard to coach. You've just got to have kids that have that ability to want to get along and who also want to achieve together. That's what drives me with girls."

Esterak was impressed with the turnout he had at a recent two-week open gym that was held on short notice. Despite running at a time when volleyball



Esterak

camp and summer softball leagues fill up the summer break schedule for female athletes, Esterak had about 16 players to work with each day and was pleased with their positive spirits.

"Those were nice numbers to have," he said. "After the first day, I had one of the seniors say, 'Hey coach, I know this is only one day but our attitude is already different. I see a change in all of these girls.'"

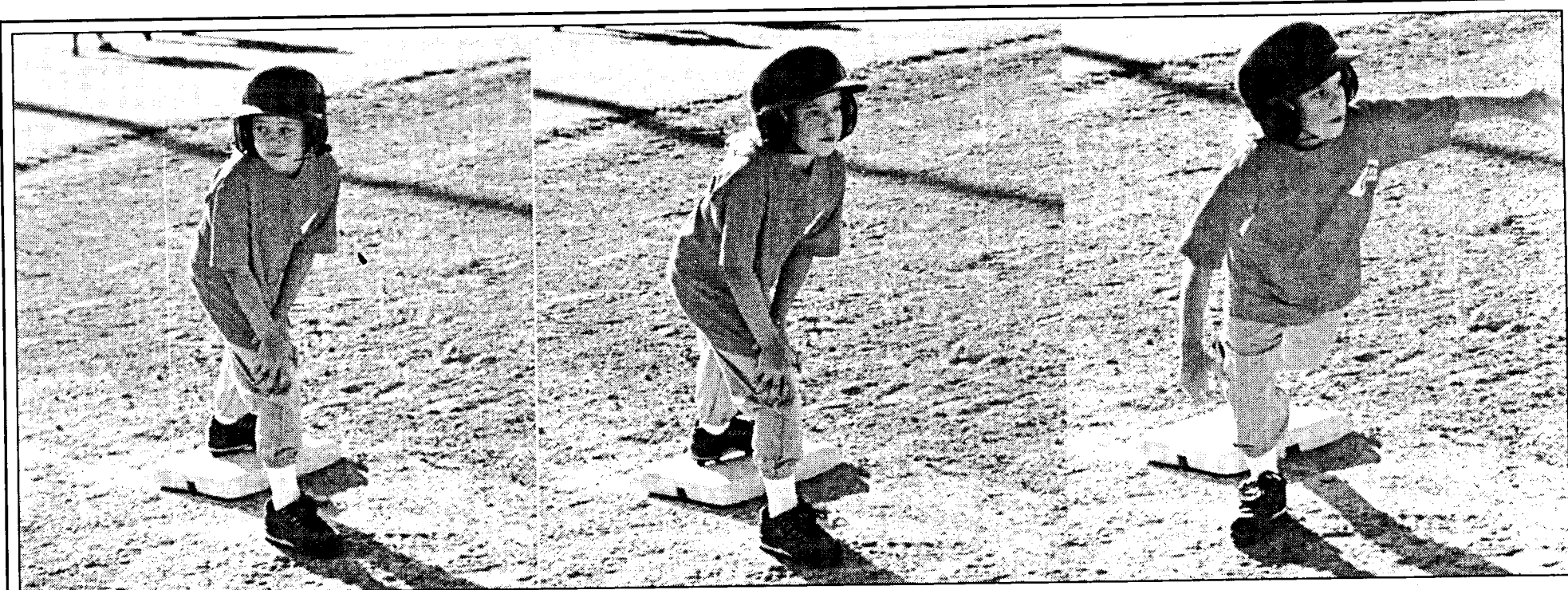
Jeff Schultz, who worked at Pioneer Conference rival school Berea for several years prior to being named NRHS' new athletic director, is glad to bring in a coach who is familiar with the conference.

"The PC is not a bad conference to pull coaches from," Schultz said. "If you look at the coaches that work there, they put out some good athletes and have successful programs. You want to get those assistants. It's not just the head coaches that do all the work. The assistants do a lot of hard work too."

Esterak is looking forward to facing some familiar faces in the newly expanded PC, as well as the West Shore Conference's first year in 2005-06.

"Being familiar with the PC, I know the other players and coaches on the

SEE COACH, page 10



Listen...look...run!

Alyssa Maisonet, 8, listens to her third base coach and prepares to score a run at a recent North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation city baseball all-star game. Over 70 kids were divided up into four teams to play one final game in the coach-pitch league's all-star games. P&L photos by Joe Ostrica.

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Dodgers	7	4	0
Pirates	6	2	2
Rockies	6	5	0
Rangers	3	7	1
Astros	2	7	1
Marlins	2	9	0
Reds	1	11	0

### G League (11-12)

Braves	8	3	0
Tigers	7	5	0
Dodgers	6	5	0
Indians	4	6	0
Reds	4	7	0
Athletics	3	6	0

### F League (13-14)

Reds	11	1	0
Dodgers	10	1	0
Yankees	7	4	0

### Indians

Indians	5	6	0
Rockies	4	7	0
Pirates	3	6	0
Athletics	3	8	0
Cardinals	0	10	0

### E League (15 and over)

Pirates	9	2	0
Indians	7	4	0
Dodgers	3	7	0
Orioles	2	8	0

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#### Pigtail (8-10)

Pirates	10	1	0
Dodgers	6	4	0
Rockies	6	5	0
Indians	0	10	0

#### Ponytail Minor (11-13)

Tigers	10	2	0
Reds	8	4	0
Rockies	7	4	0
Angels	5	7	0
Indians	2	9	0
Dodgers	3	9	0

#### Ponytail Major (14-18)

Rockies	9	3	0
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### Indians

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Conditioning sessions for North Ridgeville Middle School seventh and eighth-grade football players will occur Aug. 6-8 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. All players are to meet at the NRMS locker room. Players should bring shorts, T-shirts, a water bottle, notebook and pencil.

3-on-3 hoops tourney

The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department is accepting registrations for the North Ridgeville summer classic 3-on-3 men's basketball tournament, which will occur on Aug. 8-9 at South Central Park. Age divisions are 14 and under, 15-17 and 18 and over. Cost is \$60 per team. Makes checks payable to NRHS Basketball Boosters. Register at the parks and recreation office, 7307 Avon Belden Road, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or call 353-0860 for more information.

Lions Club 10K and 5K run

The Lions Club 24th annual 10K race will take place on Aug. 9 at the Sugar Ridge Baptist Church. In addition to the 10K race, there will be a 5K run, a 1-mile fun run for youngsters and a wheelchair race. The running events will begin at 9 a.m. Refreshments will be provided. The race is an event for all ages and genders with five-year age groupings so everyone can compete on a level playing field. The first 100 runners to register will receive a T-shirt. Fun run entrants do not

receive a T-shirt. Registration is \$13. Runners 17-years-old and younger need a parent's signature in order to run the race. To register, go to www.northridgevillions.com and print out a form, or contact Bill Shaffer at 327-9525, Andy Steirer at 327-9930 or Mark Page at 327-6878.

Soccer referee course

Soccer referee courses will be offered Aug. 9 and 16 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at North Ridgeville High School. Cost is \$35 for the course. After passing the written test after the class session, a license can be obtained for \$40. Meetings will take place at the NRHS media room or in the cafeteria. For more information, contact Bruce Asp at 327-1583 after 4 p.m.

Fastpitch softball tryouts

The North Coast Spirit, a girl's fastpitch travel softball organization based in Lorain County, has scheduled tryouts for the 2004 season. They will be held Aug. 16 and 17 at the Oberlin Recreation Complex on Hamilton Street (off Route 58) on the south side of Oberlin. The complex is adjacent to the Lorain County Parks Splash Zone. Age groups 10 and under and 12 and under are scheduled from 9-11 a.m. Age groups 14 and under and 16 and under are scheduled from noon- 2 p.m. The 18 and under age group is scheduled from 3-5 p.m. Times are for either day and each participant should report no later than one half hour before her scheduled

time to complete the necessary paperwork. For more information, contact Stan Bielawski at tiel@brightnet.net or by calling 926-3673.

NRFL youth tournament

The North Ridgeville Football League will be holding a youth football tournament Aug. 30 and 31 at the Frontier Football Complex. The tournament will consist of three divisions: 13 and under tackle, 10 and under tackle and 8 and under flag. The cost is \$200 per team with a two game minimum. For more information or to enter your team, call Brian Benes at (216) 408-8824, Bob Miscuda at 926-4779 or fax an entry to (216) 267-1883. Please send entry fee, division, and name and phone number of head coach to NRFL, P.O. Box 39333, North Ridgeville.

COACH, from page 8

other teams, so I'm going into a situation I feel comfortable," he said. "But it's going to be even more beneficial for us going into the new conference where we are going to be a bigger school. I'm excited in that aspect. I see where we can compete each day and night in the Pioneer Conference. That's very fulfilling to me and exciting. When we do go to the new conference we can continue the winning that we're going to start this year."

SWIM TEAM, from page 8

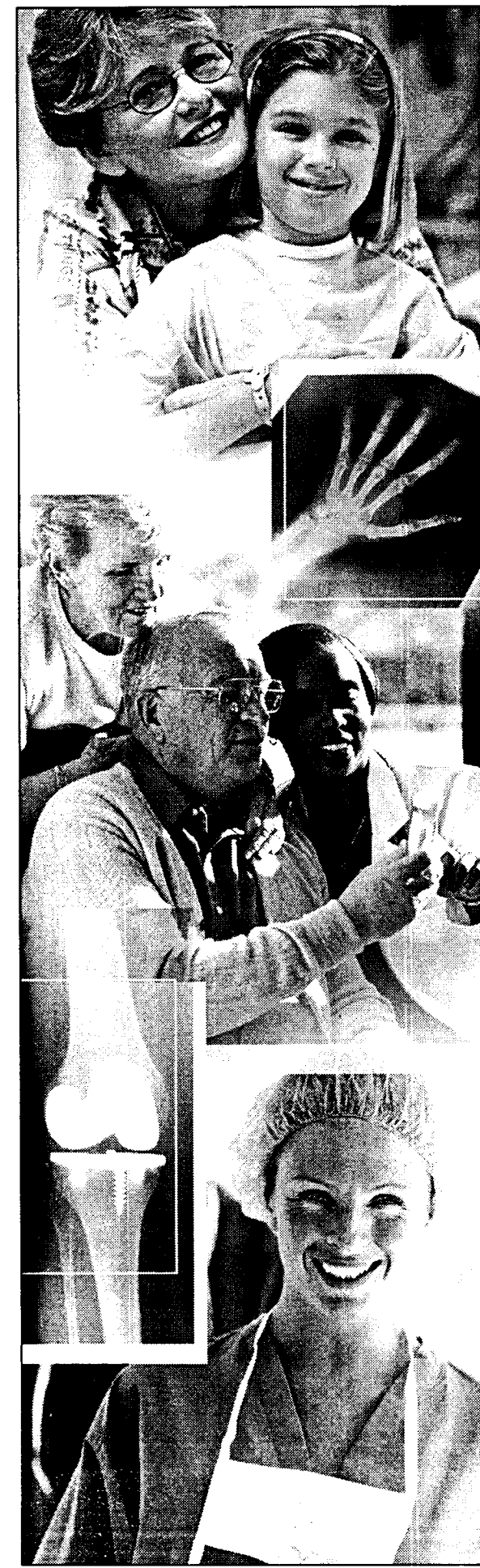
was the last year Sarah could swim. She was looking forward to it, hoping to do something positive for the team. She got third-place in the championship and ended on a high note. It was Brian and David's first year on the team. Tom is an amazing swimmer. He's going to be great when he gets older.

Although the MCST did not get as many victories as they would have liked, Fagan said the kids still had a blast and are sad the season is over.

"When we gave out awards last week, we had kids crying," she said. "I didn't realize how much it meant to them. We didn't get to place high in the championships, but our kids had more fun than anyone else. They were dancing in their tent and cheering for the rest of the team. They were so cute. They loved it and a lot of them improved a lot from the beginning of the season."

Attention NR/LRAcoaches: Send in your team rosters to Joe Ostrica by August 8 for the Fall Sports Preview. Fax: 440-933-7904 or send an e-mail to: pressostrica@hotmail.com

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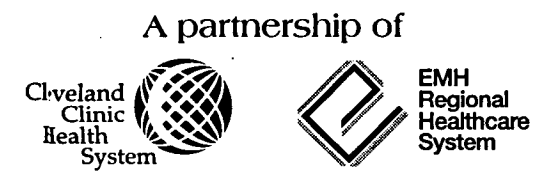
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Monday
10 a.m.-2 p.m. Senior Center-Craft group and quilting.

7 p.m. Planning commission-Council chambers.
7 p.m. North Ridgeville Garden Club to meet at Sandy Ridge Reservation.
Wednesday
9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Senior Center-Quilting, cards, lunch, bingo...

LIBRARY NEWS

What's new at North Ridgeville Branch Public Library

Library closed for Corn Festival

Due to the closing of Bainbridge Road, the library will not be open during the Corn Festival at 5 p.m. on Aug. 7-9.

No library materials will be due on days the library is closed.

Visit the library's booth at the Corn Festival to learn about library services and summer activities.

Earn prizes in summer reading club

The North Ridgeville Branch Library's summer reading clubs for all ages continue into August. Drawings for the young adult and adult prizes will be held on Aug. 11, and all reading club prizes for preschoolers-fifth graders should be picked up by Aug. 16.

sent to the local school principals in the fall.

Poetry Café

Junior high and high school students are invited to participate in the Poetry Café at the library this summer. Poets or short story authors can get feedback on their work.

EDUCATION

LRA's Maczuzak returns

Lake Ridge Academy's Upper School science department chair and biology teacher, Jane Maczuzak, recently returned from her second consecutive trip to Japan as a Fulbright Memorial Fund Master Teacher Program (MTP) participant.

Maczuzak has received the National Association of Biology Teachers' Outstanding Biology Teacher Award for Ohio, the Presidential Award for Secondary Science Teaching, RadioShack National Teachers Award, Wooster College's Exemplar Teaching Award and was named Ohio Academy of Science Women in Science, Engineering and Mathematics Consortium Exemplar.

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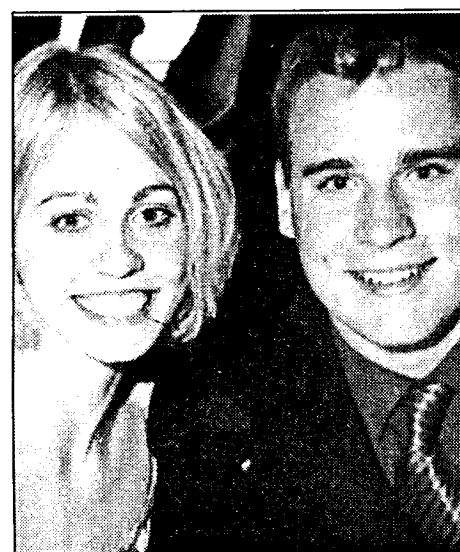
Schneider, Prescott to wed

Tim and Linda Schneider, of North Ridgeville, announce the engagement of their daughter Lora Lynn to Rick Prescott, son of Bill and Denise Prescott, of Avon.

The prospective bride is a 1999 graduate of Elyria Catholic High School and is currently a senior at Kent State University. She will graduate in December with a bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of Elyria Catholic High School. He is a senior at Ohio State University and will graduate in December with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

There is no wedding date at this time.



Schneider and Prescott

WEDDING

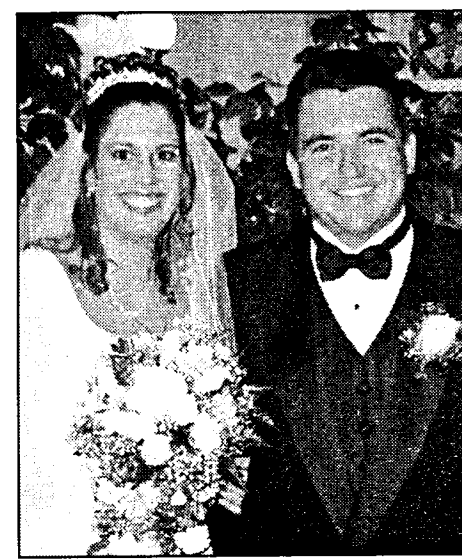
Cernanec and Fabian wed in Las Vegas

Dana Cernanec and Rory Fabian were married July 8, 2003 in Las Vegas at the Excalibur Hotel Chapel.

Parents of the couple are Jim and Sue Cernanec, of Lakewood and Bruce and Debbie Fabian of North Ridgeville. The bride is a graduate of Lakewood High School. She attended Cleveland State University where she graduated with a degree in business.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of North Ridgeville High School. He graduated from Bowling Green State University in December of 2000 with a degree in education. He is a ninth-grade history teacher and coach at Olmsted Falls City Schools.

A reception was held at Wagner's Country Place on July 18. The couple will reside in Sheffield Lake.



Dana and Rory Fabian

BULLETIN BOARD

Free dogwood trees

Ten free white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during August 2003. Members will also receive a subscription to the foundation's bimonthly publication and a book with information about planting.

Oberlin Choristers auditions and Kindermusik openings

Oberlin Choristers is currently scheduling August auditions for children entering fifth-ninth grades. To schedule a placement audition, call the Choristers office at (440) 774-4079.

Oberlin Choristers has positions available in the fall 2003 classes of Kindermusik from ages one-and-a-half-5. The 12-week long Kindermusik sessions begin Sept. 3 at the New Union Center for the Arts, 39 S. Main St., Oberlin. Call the office or e-mail the Oberlin Choristers at ochoristers@oberlin.net for more details.

LCCC police training academy

Applications are being accepted for a new class of recruits in Lorain County Community College's Police Training Academy. The class will begin Oct. 7. Individuals can apply to the academy as a sponsored recruit by a local police department or through open enrollment for those with no affiliation to a police department.

Recruits will go through 640 hours of training during the 16-week, full-time

program. Upon successful completion of the Police Training Academy, graduates will be awarded certificates that allow them to take the Ohio Police Officers Examination.

For more information, call the LCCC Social Sciences and Human Services division at (800) 995-5222, ext. 4021 or (440) 366-4021.

LCCC Academy of Lifelong Learning Trips

The group will travel to the Arbor at Penitentiary Glen Reservation on Sept. 16 from 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. The cost is \$54, which includes transportation, admission and brunch.

Bicentennial day in Columbus. Visit the 1852 Kelton House Museum. The house is the only documented Underground Railroad site in Columbus open to the public. The trip will be Sept. 17 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. The \$28 fee includes transportation and admission.

Great Mohican Indian powwow

Visit the Mohican Reservation Festival Grounds, which will feature food, music and over 40 native craftsmen and artisans on Sept. 21 from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The

fee of \$32 includes transportation and admission.

For more information on any of these trips or to register, call (800) 995-5222 ext. 4148 or (440) 366-4148.

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OBITUARIES

Tony Podrbik

Tony Podrbik, 74, of North Ridgeville, died July 24, 2003, at EMH Regional Medical Center, following a brief illness.

He was born Aug. 14, 1928, in Sharples, W.Va. He moved to North Ridgeville from Cleveland 18 years ago. Mr. Podrbik served in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict. He was employed as an inspector at Ford Motor Company, Brook Park, for 30 years, before retiring in 1983. He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed playing cards and bowling.

Survivors include his daughters, Tonia Gail Thompson of Thorndale, Texas, and Shari Phares and Lisa Lynn Camerlin, both of Elyria; sons William "Jeff" Podrbik of Grafton and Anthony "Scott" Podrbik of Brook Park; sisters, Della Sexton of Cleveland and Marion Williams of Clothier, W.Va.; brother, Delbert Podrbik of Cleveland; and nine grandchildren. Preceding him in death was his sister, Janice "Shirley" Cline.

Arrangements were handled by Bauer-Laubenthal Funeral Home, Elyria, where services were held July 28. The Rev. Tim Williams officiated. Burial was in Resthaven Memory Gardens, Avon, where members of VFW Post 1079 conducted military honors.

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

Lewis Aubrey Searles Sr.

Lewis Aubrey Searles Sr., 88, of North Ridgeville, died July 24, 2003, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home, Avon, following a brief illness.

He was born in 1915 in Camden Township. Mr. Searles served in the Civic Air Patrol during World War II. He retired in 1975 after 33 years as an

inspector in quality control at Bendix-Westinghouse Co. in Elyria.

As a young man, he had cared for horses at Bonnie Brey Farm in Wellington. Mr. Searles was a member of Bendix United Auto Workers Local 971, Elyria, and First Baptist Church, Elyria, where he'd been an usher. He was also a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 255, Elyria.

He enjoyed flying his "Piper Cub" plane from a private air strip in his backyard. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and making maple syrup with his brothers. He loved music and played the guitar and harmonica.

Survivors include his son, Lewis "Larry" Searles Jr. of Grafton; daughters, Carole V. Minnich of North Ridgeville, Denise L. "Pixie" Danforth of Elyria and Sandra K. Kodysh of North Ridgeville; sister, Lila Lyndes of Tucson, Ariz.; and 10 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his wife of 50 years, Mildred A. "Bette" Searles (nee Crawford), in 1990; son, Dale E. Searles; brothers Kenneth, Aubrey Wendell "Teddy," Ralph and Arthur "Don" Searles; and sister, Beulah Searles-Slack.

Arrangements were handled by Busch-Curtis-Scheufler Family Chapel, Elyria, where services were held July 28. The Rev. Dan Parker, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Camden

Cemetery, Camden Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Baptist Church, 11400 LaGrange Road, Elyria 44035; or the Diabetes Association of Greater Cleveland "Camp Homita Koda," S. Green Road #100, Cleveland 44122.

Patricia A. Roach

Patricia A. "Pat" Roach (nee Kessel), 62, of North Ridgeville, died July 27, 2003, at her home following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Cleveland and has lived in North Ridgeville since 1978.

Mrs. Roach enjoyed quilting, ceramics, flower gardening and bowling.

She is survived by daughters, Linda Raper, of Olmsted Falls and Kelly Halhill, of North Ridgeville; son, Michael Roach, of Strongsville; three grandchildren and one step-granddaughter; brothers, Carl Kessel, of Cleveland and Robert Kessel, of Bedford Heights.

Preceding her in death were her husband, John Roach, in 1999; sons, John Patrick Roach II and John Patrick Roach III; grandson, James Patrick Halfhill and her parents, Raymond and Mary (nee Marczak) Gertz.

Arrangements were handled by David Jagner Family Funeral Home, North Ridgeville. Services were held July 30 at St. Peter Cemetery, North Ridgeville. The Rev. Joseph Spolny, associate pastor-proten at St. Peter Church officiated.

Matthew 16:24-26

Matthew 18:15-18

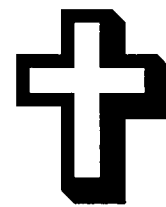
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Church of Christ, 36350 Chestnut Ridge Rd. Jason Hardin, Evangelist. Bible Study 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Services 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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

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

Fields United Methodist Church, 34077 Lorain Rd., C. Michael Gibson, Pastor. Sunday worship service is at 9 & 11 a.m. with church school for children ages 3 through 5th grade beginning at 10:00 a.m. Crb and toddler room available.

Harvest Ridge Assembly of God, 35600 Lorain Road. Pastor Kevin L. Crow. For details or directions, call (440) 327-0024. Sunday Worship 8:30 & 10:45 am (Children's Ministry & Nursery Provided) - Sunday School 9:45 am - Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm (Royal Rangers, Missionettes & Youth Ministry)

Hosanna Christian Fellowship, 34869 Lorain Rd. Located on the corner of Lorain & Island Rds. Pastor Jim Neece. Sunday Worship Service 9 & 11 AM. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM. Small Groups - meet throughout the week

New Heart Community Church, 34899 Lorain Rd. (in Butler Plaza) 327-7449. Service: 10:00 am Sun. Nursery/Children's Church. Bible Study: 7:00 pm Sun. Eve., Counsel: Marriage, Divorce, Relationships /Communication

Christian Soldiers Apostolic Church, 5298 Lear Nagle Rd. Rev. Patty Kisner. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.

Northridge Christian Life Church, 8877 Avon Belden Rd., North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039. Phone (440) 353-0758. Pastor William Falk. Sunday Services: 10:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Nursery, Sunday School, Youth Group Single Meetings, Prayer Meetings and Midweek Home Meetings.

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

New Life Community Church, 35079 Center Ridge Rd., No. Ridgeville. Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.; Bible Study 7 p.m. on Wednesday nights; Youth Group at 6:45 on Wednesday.

Calvary Christian Center Pentecostal Church of God, 6001 Lear Nagle, North Ridgeville (440) 353-3593. Rev. Scott Nicol. Sunday Service: 11:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

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

North Ridgeville First Congregational United Church of Christ, 36353 Center Ridge Rd. Worship 10:00 a.m.; Children's Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Pastor - Rev. Ellen Palmer Marsey.

St. Julie Billiart Catholic Church, 5560 Lear Nagle Rd. North Ridgeville, OH 44039. Phone: 327-1978. (Located between Center Ridge and Mills Road; on the north side of Lear North Elementary School) Saturday Mass 5 p.m.; Sunday Worship Schedule: Masses: Morning 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Saturday Confession 3-4 p.m. in Chapel or by appointment. Father Richard Conner, pastor.

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

Shepherd of the Ridge Lutheran Church, 34555 Center Ridge Rd., Rev. Paul Oberhaus, Pastor. Sunday Worship Services 10:15 a.m.; Family Education 9 a.m. Midweek Worship Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

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POLICE BLOTTERS

By Carol Klear

Police show up; driver takes off

The police answered a call concerning a fight resulting from a motor vehicle accident on Pleasant Avenue. The first officer on the scene saw a red vehicle facing south. The driver's side door was open and several males were attempting to pull the driver from the vehicle.

One of the males waved the officer over, but when the driver saw the policeman approach, he put the car in reverse and floored it, hitting the three males with the open door and forcing them to the ground. The car continued at a high

rate of speed and the officer drove past the crowd to catch up to it. The vehicle left the east side of the road and hit a mailbox. The officer tried to drive around the vehicle and cut off his escape, but the driver swerved back on to the road and caused the officer to hit the right front of the car with the front of the cruiser. With the vehicle blocking the road, the driver jumped out and fled northeast through yards between the houses.

Lear North spray-painted

Police were called to Lear North Elementary School after the cleaning staff reported that someone had spray-painted graffiti on the building.

BZA to hold special session

The North Ridgeville Board of Zoning and Building Appeals will hold a special public hearing in city council chambers, 7307 Avon Belden Road at 7 p.m., Aug. 13, to consider the following request: Applicant: Arthur R. Colegrove, 26904 Royalton Road, Columbia Station Owner: Eleanor D. Northcutt, 7404 Race Road;

Request: 30-foot rear yard variance and 2-foot, 4-inch side yard variance required to build an addition to the residence. Location: 7407 Race Road, in R-1; Adjacent property owners or interested persons may attend the Board of Zoning and Building Appeals meeting to learn details and voice their opinions regarding the public hearing.

Planners consider FJD request

The North Ridgeville Planning Commission will meet Aug. 12 in council chambers at 7 p.m. to consider the following application:

Applicant: FJD Properties LLC, 37000 Center Ridge Road. Owner: FJD Properties LLC, 37000 Center Ridge Road.

Request: Concept plan for Center Ridge B-2 commercial area pursuant to 1266.02 (b), recommendation for R-2.

Location: Center Ridge commercial area, in B-2, west of All American Sports.

Postponed Jan. 14, 2003 by planning; postponed Feb. 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10 and July 8, 2003 as requested by applicant.

Revised plan submitted by applicant/owner for Aug. 12 meeting.

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 For just \$9.00 your 20 word Garage Sale Ad will be placed in the North Ridgeville Press & Light, WestLife, Avon Lake Press, and Vermilion Photojournal newspapers. Your ad will also appear in each paper's Garage Sale Quick Clipper for the convenience of the Garage Sale Shopper!  
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## 04 Investment Real Estate

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**AVON LAKE:** Gorgeous Cape Cod, 3BRDM, 2 full bath, 1900 plus sq.ft. Deep lot, 250'. Must see! \$185,000. 327-96 Electric Blvd. 440-933-2357

**AVON LAKE:** 173 Vinewood Drive. Well maintained 3BRDM, 2 full bath ranch. Large fenced corner lot with 12'x16' storage barn. Hardwood floors throughout. Beautifully landscaped. 440-933-7854. Open Sunday 1:00pm-5:00pm. \$169,900

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 Tranquil setting. Sparkling new interior, new bath & sun porch. 1.3 acre. Priced at \$132,500.  
**Call Karen Wood 888-317-6032**  
 Or Call 440-933-0350  
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 440-327-2123

**BUILDERS SPECIAL**  
 We will pay \$3000 towards closing cost. You CAN afford new construction. 3BRDM, 2.5BTH, colonial w/ basement AC, 2 car, and FF. Quiet Elyria neighborhood of new homes. Convenient to I-90 and the turnpike. Immediate occupancy \$163,900. Call today 440-323-5015. Blane.

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**MOVE IN CONDITION!!! SHEFFIELD LAKE**  
 3bdm-Cape Cod, 1BTH, Rec Room 2 car detached garage vinyl siding New Roof, Windows, Kitchen & bath  
 By Appointment 440-949-2765 \$104,500.  
 Seller is motivated

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 Wonderful 4BRDM colonial on .75 acre wooded cul-de-sac lot. 2500 plus square feet includes: study with built in shelves, living & dining room with hard wood floors, large kitchen, family room with fireplace and utility room. Over 100 sq. ft. of finished basement plus LOTS of storage. Great location, walking distance to library & park. MUST SEE!  
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**20 Lots and Acreage For Sale**  
 Lake Bargain \$24,900. Free covered boat slip! Gently sloping lake view parcel w/ nice mix of low rolling meadows & trees. Abuts national forest on 35,000 acre recreational lake in Tenn. Paved roads, water, sewer more. Excellent financing. Call now 1-800-770-3154, ext. 497.

**AVON LAKE - DUPLEX:** 2BRDM, 1.5BTH, 1100sq.ft. of living area on 1/2 acre of owner maintained lawn. All appliances included. \$775 monthly plus security plus electric. No pets. 440-930-2372

**AVON LAKE - 2.5BTH**  
 \*\* All Appliances Included \*\*  
 2-car detached garage, \$1200/Month + All Utilities & Deposit. Available August 1st. Close to Everything! \*\* MUST SEE \*\*  
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**35 Vacation Property For Sale**  
 Asheville North Carolina area. Spectacular new mountain home, gorgeous views. In championship 18 hole golf course community. www.carolinamts.com. Call 866-334-3253 x 474.

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**AVON LAKE:** 2BRDM Detwood house, \$650, plus utilities and deposit, no pets. 440-933-8876

**AVON LAKE:** Large 1BRDM garden style, A/C, pool, garage w/opener, heat included., no pets, \$560/mo. 440-933-7653

**AVON LAKE:** 1BRDM house, stove, no pets, 1yr lease, security deposit, \$450/mo. plus utilities. 440-933-9338

**AVON LAKE:** 342 Dellwood Rd, 2BRDM, 1BTH, new updates throughout. 440-930-7166

**DUPLEX:** Historic French Creek Dist. Duplex 2BRDM, all appliances, 1 car garage, 2988 Hayes St. \$700/mo. security deposit required. No pets. available Sept. 1st 440-937-4400

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**AVON:** Spacious 1BRDM apartment w/ No pets 440-930-2559.

**LONGBOAT KEY, FLORIDA:** Longboat Pass condos. Private dock. An island paradise. \$1600/month plus tax. 440-871-1575

**SHEFFIELD LAKE**  
 NEW 1BRDM w/garage  
 Privacy, air, appliances, utility room. No pets. \$600/month plus utilities  
**440-949-5852**

**SHEFFIELD LAKE:** 3BRDM house w/garage. \$900/month. 440-949-9335

**VERMILION:** Lakewood townhouse, 2BRDM, 2 full baths, washer/dryer, appliances, and garage. \$850/month. 440-552-7662.

**52 Commercial For Rent**  
**AVON COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT**  
 1600 • 1712 • 3312 • 4212  
 Square Feet Available  
 Center of Avon. Close to I-90. Lots of paved parking.  
**Call Dave 216-276-0174**

## WESTLAKE King James Office Park

Professional office suite avail. for sub-lease. 1100sq.ft., shared kitchen & copy machine, partially furnished w/4 work stations, 1 private office.  
**Carol • 440-835-3726**

**55 Office Space For Rent**  
**Avon Office \$450/Month**  
 1000sq.ft. Warehouse in New Ind. Park & Office: \$900/month including utilities. 12 or 30 month lease.  
**440-937-4800**

**65 Vacation Property For Rent**  
 A Beautiful, Complete Smoky Mountain Wedding. Original Log Wedding Chapel. Everything provided: photos, video, flowers, formal wear, cabins. Smokies best value. 800-262-5683. www.smokyweddingchapel.com.

**Myrtle Beach, Beachside Inn Family Special Five Nights \$199.00 (Sunday-Thursday).** 200 yards beach/pavilion. Two beds, two adults; two children. 800-331-7300. www.beachsideinn.com.

**Panama City Beach, Sandpiper-Beach Resort.** From \$39 1-2p. or Arrive Sun/Mon. - Free night restrictions. Pools, river ride, jacuzzi, tiki bar. 800-498-6828. www.sandpiperbeach.com.

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 Sleep 1-12. Let us help you plan your family vacation, family reunion, getaway or fishing trip.  
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**80 Help Wanted**  
 92 Cents Loaded, 80 Cents Empty. Owner/Operators the choice is yours. Home weekly, 75% drop/hour, regular runs. Valid CDL, Year Van experience. DGI 800-730-2823.

**Atterra-Wywood of Westlake Independent and Assisted Senior Living Complex**  
**Maintenance Technician-part time**  
 Resident Assistants-PT 3p-11p Resident Assistant Benefits available. Wonderful Atmosphere Convenient Location (near I-90)  
 Stop in to fill out an application 27569 Detroit Road Westlake, OH 44145  
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 Fax 440-892-5384  
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**ARABICA COFFEE HOUSE**  
 Must be 21 years of age or older. Customer Service Staff needed part-time, day and evening shifts available. Pleasant personality and willingness to give excellent customer service is a must. Apply in person: Arabica Coffee House 21605 Center Ridge Road Rocky River OH 44116 (Westwood Town Shopping Center)  
 Bakery/Deli  
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 Part-time 20-30 hours/week. Will Train  
**440-871-6340**

**BE YOUR OWN BOSS!!**  
 Process medical claims from home on your computer.  
 Call the Federal Trade Commission to find out how to spot medical billing scams.  
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 A message from The Press and the FTC

**Big Explosive Marketing Campaign** has created lots & lots of leads. Sales Representatives We're so confident in our leads we pay you to run them, even if you don't sell. Are you self-motivated, positive person? Are you presently earning \$1000/\$1500 per week? We offer... Guaranteed income. \$2000 sign-on-bonus. A Solid Training Program. With a guaranteed 2-3 pre-set qualified. Confirmed Leads Daily; Craftmatic Adjustable Beds. Call 24/7 for additional information @ 877-392-4980.

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 Positions to fill immediately!  
 • Office Assistant • Lead Generator • Recruitment Coordinator • Client Service Representative  
 Many, many, more!  
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Full/part time. We are currently seeking to fill an immediate position for an administrative assistant. The candidate we seek needs strong communication skills. Duties include answering multi incoming phone lines, greeting customers, distributing mail, typing & computer skills, as well as additional related office responsibilities. Benefits available. Fax resume to: 440-835-1245 ext. 101 or email to employment@brolin.com.

**CLERICAL**  
 Secretary/administrative assistant for downtown law firm. No experience necessary  
 Call Suzanne 216-263-6200

**CLERICAL SUPPORT**  
 Entry level clerical support. Faxing, scanning, will train. Excellent typing skills.  
 Send resume to: PO Box 6 Avon Lake OH 44012

**COOK/CHEF**  
 Needed to prepare approximately 70 meals for evening dinner (Home style Cooking). Excellent wages for experienced reliable person.  
 In person at: The Northridge 35900 West Minister Ave North Ridgeville OH 44039

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 Excellent keyboard skills. Internet research. Competitive benefits. Send resume to: PO Box 6 Avon Lake OH 44012

**Driver - Company & Owner Op's Dedicated-Home Weekly Pay for experience - up to 34 cents/mi. Company 65 cents/mi. Owner Op's. 800-846-4321.**

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**Driver/OTR - Get the miles, home time, and respect you deserve.** GSTC is hiring drivers in your area! 3 years over the road experience required. 800-211-4782.

**ELECTRICIANS**  
 Electricians needed, entry level to skilled journeymen.  
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 Middleburg Hts, OH 44130  
 www.tsolho.com

**HANDY MAN PART TIME**  
 Northern Lorain County, primarily Avon Lake. Part-time. Will need excellent references. Painting, mowing and other handy-man skills.  
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Ask about our North Ohio Dedicated Team. Become an important part of a "Great Team!" 800-551-9057 ext. 140. www.land.com.

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**LEGAL SECRETARY Part-time**  
 15-30 hours per week, flexible. Basic word processing, phone and data entry skills required.  
**Call 440-933-6278 to inquire**

**MEDICAL BILLER Full-time**  
 Insurance claims/denials, data entry. Email resume: slapsnot873@wideopenwest.com

**MORNING PERSON NEEDED**  
 Will train in am.  
**Apply Nino's Restaurant**  
 32652 Center Ridge Rd. Mills Creek Commons, North Ridgeville

**New Westlake Optometric Office**  
 Seeking full time optician, ophthalmic technician and receptionist. We are looking for enthusiastic, people oriented individuals to join our team. Great salary and benefits.  
 Please call 216-228-3343

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 Get Miles! Get Home! Get Paid Daily! Hiring Solos & Teams! Call For Details! 888-346-4639 www.knighttrans.com.

**Driver, Northeast Regional Operation!** 1 year OTR earns up to 37 cents per mile. Great Home Time, Miles, and Respect. West Side Transport. 800-677-5627.

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## OFFICE/CLERICAL

General office duties. Good organizational and communication skills required. Experience in Word and Excel. Some flexibility with hours. Send resume to:  
**Target Medical Sales**  
 PO Box 202  
 Avon Lake OH 44012  
 email: bob@targetmed.com

**OWNER OPERATORS WANTED.** 74% to truck. Pull our air ride 48' Hauler. Home time and benefit call Bruce Niswonger. 800-448-4690.

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 Seeking friendly, mature, outdoor enthusiast for full and part time positions.  
 Call Mark or Chris at 440-934-5345.

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 Part-time & PRN  
 Wage reviews at 30 days, 90 days, 6 months & annually.  
 Attendance Bonus • Weekend Bonus • 401K • Medical • Dental • Vision Benefits • Free Meals • Call Carla or Laura @ 440-934-3204  
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 REALTY ONE 877-327-2110  
**Todd Reithart**  
 REALTY ONE 877-835-1616

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 Part-time  
 Evenings/Weekends for Avon Lake medical office.  
 Email resume to: slapsnot873@wideopenwest.com

**RECEPTIONIST**  
 For Classic Image Skin Care & Makeup Center in The Landings. Perfect job for re-entering the work force. Permanent Part-time position. Wednesdays & most Saturdays to start. Will train.  
**440-933-3155**

**RENTAL STORE ASSOCIATE**  
 Taylor Rental located in Avon requires mechanically inclined persons with good driving record for both part time and full time positions. The successful applicant will be prepared to work in all aspects of the business including customer sales, back room service and will assist with delivery and set up of product.  
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**83 Child Care**  
**Are You Young, Enterprising & Looking to Make Some Money?**  
 Call the Classified Department at 1-888-346-6603 and for just \$5.00 place a 15 word ad offering your services.  
 Babysitting • Pet Sitting  
 Lawn Mowing • Landscaping  
 Errand Running • Snow Removal  
 Market yourself!  
 Must be under 18yrs of age and have your parents approval.  
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 A-1 TOP CASH PAID. Diamonds, Jewelry, Coins, Gold, Silver, Stamps & Currency, Sports Memorabilia, Antiques, Collectibles & Estates. Call Gary 9:00am-7:30pm. 216-496-4623



**131 E-Commerce**

**Advertise Your ON-LINE Business Here!**

**133 Professional Services**

**FAUX FINISHING BY UNIQUE REFLECTIONS**

**ALSO DECORATIVE PAINTING 440-933-9419**

**135 General Services**

BUCKEYE VINYL Sliding & Window blow-out sale. All credit accepted. No money down - \$65.00/month. No payments until fall - free estimate. 877-928-4002.

**NOTICE Lending Opportunities**

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Think First, Borrow Smart. Contact the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions' Office of Consumer Affairs BEFORE you refinance your home or obtain a mortgage. BEWARE of requests for any large advance payment of fees or insurance. Call the Office of Consumer Affairs toll free at 1-866-278-0003 to learn if the mortgage broker or lender is properly licensed. (This notice is a public service of the Classified Department.)

**140 Business Opportunities**

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**170 Landscaping**

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Babysitting • Pet Sitting • Lawn Mowing • Landscaping • Errand Running • Snow Removal • Market yourself!

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**LANDSCAPING**

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- Retaining Walls
- Sm. Shrub & Tree Removal
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**200 Tree Care**

**WESTLAKE TREE SERVICE**

Tree Trimming Complete Removal 60' Bucket Truck Senior Discount FREE Quote

440-835-TRIM (8746)

**230 Garage Sales**

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CALL FOR FREE PUBLICATION 1-800-753-3643

Monday - Sunday 24 Hours A Day

AVON LAKE: 32583 Bell Road Wed. 8/6 8:00am-8:00pm, Thurs 8/7 9:00am-1:00pm. Brand name clothes, college necessities mini fridg, flower arrangements, misc.

AVON LAKE: 635 Landerwood Lane (off Jaycox), Wednesday, 4:00pm-7:00pm & Thursday, 9:00am-12:00pm. Huge Hadley pottery collection, back-to-school clothes (Abercrombie, AE, etc), lamps, linens, college items, furniture, miscellaneous.

AVON LAKE: 32803 Coventry Ct. Thurs-Fri. 8:00am-2:00pm. New and vintage clothing, collectibles, Health Rider, Octa-Gym, word prosser, electric typewriters, 24" swivel chair, Valet chair, floor clock, and much more.

AVON LAKE: 181 Vineyard Rd. Thurs-Fri. 8:00am-2:00pm. Boys clothes 10-12, toys, books, tapes, micro wave, women, clothing, household items and misc.

AVON LAKE: 32139 Electric Blvd., Wednesday, 4:00pm-7:00pm & Thursday, 9:00am-1:00pm. Small furniture, toys, books, household miscellaneous and much much more.

AVON LAKE: 33298 & 33302 Lake Blvd., Thursday, 9:00am-2:00pm; Friday, 9:00am-1:00pm & Saturday, 9:00am-12:00pm. Miscellaneous household, bookshelves, books, men's XLG, girls' 12-14.

AVON LAKE: 32190 Electric, Sat 8/9 9:30am-3:00pm. Old costume jewelry, Hoover vacuum, Lear FG top for Dakota, girls bikes, misc. and household items.

AVON LAKE: 171 Highland (off Lake east of Westwinds), Thur. 8/7 9:00-1:00. Exercise equipment, balance beam, house plants, toboggan, household items.

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AVON LAKE: 631 Wellesley Cr. Greenbriar sub, off of Walker Thursday 8/7 8:00am-3:00pm. Household items, little Tikes, jewelry, and clothing.

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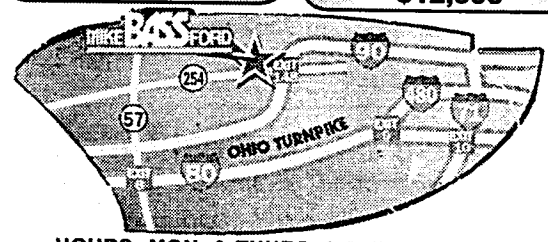
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WHEREAS, many citizens, organizations and leaders work diligently every year to ensure an enjoyable festival that attracts friends and neighbors to gather in good-will and visit with each other for an evening of good food, entertainment and laughter; and

WHEREAS, as with years past, this year's festival will guarantee memories and excitement among our citizens and those from afar; and

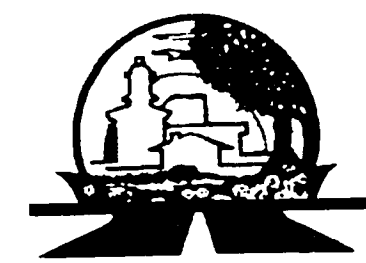
WHEREAS, on behalf of this Administration, our City, our residents and those who make the Corn Festival possible, it is with great pride that I announce the 29th annual CORN FESTIVAL and invite all citizens, friends and families to join in the celebration; and



Deanna Hill, Mayor

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Deanna L. Hill, Mayor of the City of North Ridgeville, do hereby proclaim the days of August 8, 9 and 10, 2003 as "CORN FESTIVAL DAYS" in North Ridgeville.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of North Ridgeville, this 24 day of June 2003.



**North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce**



The North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau proudly welcomes you to the 29th annual North Ridgeville Corn Festival, one of north-east Ohio's largest festivals.

The city's rich agricultural heritage is displayed not only this entire weekend, but all year long at area garden centers, florists, greenhouses, landscapers and roadside markets. Once known as part of the greenhouse capital of Ohio, our city's horticultural businesses are some of the best.

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## Don't miss the great entertainment at the Corn Festival

By Carol Klear

### Direct Energy

Entertainment is high on the list of fun things to see at the Corn Festival and this year is no exception.

To jump-start the festival on Friday night, Direct Energy will take to the Corn Festival gazebo stage at 8 p.m. with its high spirited, nine-piece, horn-driven band that promises nothing but fun, fun, fun.

From New Philadelphia, the group plays music from the 60s, 70s and 80s, especially music that is difficult to imitate due to the instruments used.

The band features a four-piece horn section and performs music from bands such as Chicago, Blood, Sweat and Tears, the Blues Brothers, The Commodores and more.

### Gary Lewis and the Playboys

Saturday night is always special at the Corn Festival and this year is no exception as Gary Lewis and the Playboys, a 60s band, treat the audience to some of their hits, like "This Diamond Ring," the group's first single, during the performance that begins at 8:30 p.m.

Lewis is the son of the famous Jerry Lewis which could have presented difficulty for the band, but when they auditioned for their first job at Disneyland, no one there knew who Gary Lewis was.

The Playboys' second hit, "Count me in," was followed by more Top 10 hits, such as "Save your Heart for Me," "Everybody Loves a Clown" and "She's just my Style."

In 1965 Lewis earned the title of Male Vocalist of the Year, beating out Elvis Presley and Frank Sinatra.

Members of the band, Gary Lewis, Rich Spina, Billy Sullivan, Daren Frate and Michael Hudak, continue to tour and entertain fans across the country and abroad.

### Yearbook

Yearbook, an oldies and Motown band performing primarily in the Northeast Ohio region, will take its



Gary Lewis and the Playboys

own brand of entertainment to the Corn Festival car show, beginning at noon on Saturday.

The four-piece band has a wide materials list that includes music from the 50s through the 80s to appeal to a diverse audience.

The energetic group appears at parties and dances, with regular appearances in area clubs and festivals.

As you enjoy looking at the classic cars, stop awhile and listen to Yearbook.

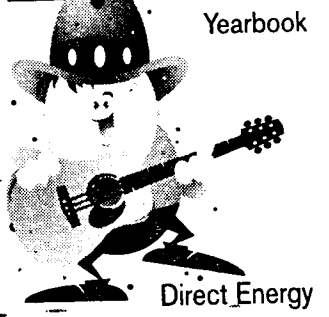
### Roger and the Ramjets

This band has been performing oldies music for more than 20 years, playing for local clubs and special events.

This year the band will top off the 2003 Corn Festival with a performance at 5 p.m. on Sunday.



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## Car show slated to take place Aug. 9

By Melissa Linebrink

During the 29th annual North Ridgeville Corn Festival, visitors will be able to view a variety of old and new models of cars, Aug. 9 on the grounds in front of the North Ridgeville Senior Center, off of SR 83.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three cars in each of the following categories: Pre-1950, original; 1950-1959, original; 1960-1969, original; 1970-present, original; customize street rod; race and pro only; street legal muscle cars; trucks; best of show; and customized trucks. The awards are given based on people's choice. One of the top awards is the Golden Wing Award which is

given to the car which has come the furthest distance to the North Ridgeville Corn Festival and entered into the car show.

If you are interested in showing your car, you must register it between 9 a.m. and noon the day of the show. Voting will take place from noon to 2 p.m. There is a \$10 entry fee due the day of the show. There is limited space available, so it is advised that cars arrive early. The first 100 cars that are entered in the show will receive a free plaque.

In addition to the show, entertainment will be provided by Yearbook.

For more information, call Bill Petras at 327-8336; Al Adkins at 327-6927; or Tom Dake at (440) 748-1261.



All makes and models of vehicles draw visitors to the car show held during Corn Festival weekend.



The North Ridgeville High School band high-steps along Center Ridge Road during the annual Corn Festival Grande Parade.

## 'Bicentennial' theme-based parade to be held Aug. 10

By Melissa Linebrink

This year, in honor of Ohio's Bicentennial, the North Ridgeville Corn Festival Grande Parade will have a patriotic theme.

According to parade chairman John Butkowski, the parade will begin at 2:30 p.m. It will start at the Marc's/Big Lots parking lot on Center Ridge Road and travel west to the North Ridgeville Middle School parking lot where it will disband.

"There are usually about 70 entries," Butkowski said.

"We have a mix of color guards, floats, walking units, antique cars, marching units, baton corps, the North Ridgeville High School Marching Band and animal units," he said.

Trophies are awarded in the follow-

ing categories: Best of Parade, Mayor's Trophy (this is for North Ridgeville residents only), Great Corn Award (applies only to visitors), Chamber of Commerce Trophy (awarded to businesses in North Ridgeville), Senior Corps, Junior Corps, Juvenile Corps, Color Guard, Bands, Antique Vehicle, Novelty Unit, Commercial Unit, Non-Commercial Unit and Animal Unit. Trophies will be distributed at 4:30 p.m. at the gazebo on Bainbridge Road immediately following the parade.

"I am looking forward to one of the best parades yet," Butkowski said.

Butkowski, who has been a member of the Corn Festival Committee for a number of years, said he chose to chair the parade committee because he wanted to "get involved with a different facet of the festival."

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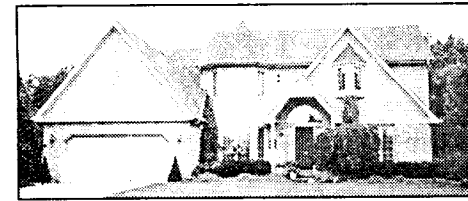
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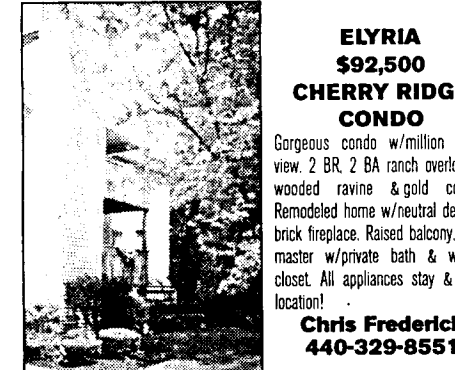
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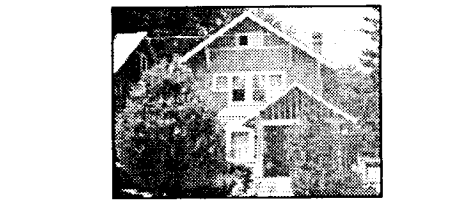
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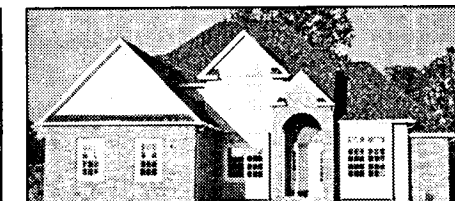
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# NINO'S FINE ITALIAN RESTAURANT

## Regulars know Nino's means fine Italian dining

By Lori E. Switaj

A restaurant's clientele can say a lot about the business. In the case of Nino's, who specialize in fine Italian cuisine, a solid base of "regulars" says all you need to know. The restaurant's fresh food and homemade recipes are worth coming back to, again and again.

Nino's who will celebrate its 13th year of business in May, serves mouth watering old Italian favorites plus many specialties. From Nana's kitchen, prepared with the freshest ingredients, are dishes oozing with unique flavor. Fresh mozzarella salad is a favorite, as is "mushroom lovers," veal or chicken served with "lotsa" button mushrooms in marinara, aglio or Alfredo sauce, and chippino, a shellfish stew prepared to perfection. The restaurant's menu offers a host of unique recipes and Italian dishes that fine food aficionados will not find elsewhere.

Nino's reputation brings in new customers each week, who quickly become regulars. If fact, the establishment's culinary achievements have spurred imitators.

"Imitation is the ultimate compliment," Barber said. "We're imitated, but never duplicated."

In fact, Nino's has become "the place to be" in North Ridgeville and surrounding communities.

Barber depends on family to keep the Nino's tradition of quality. His nephew Lou Stavale chooses wines from award-winning wine lists and niece Lori Flasher does "a little bit of everything," right down to perfecting the luscious

desserts the restaurant offers.

For those with a sweet tooth seeking genuine Italian desserts such as Tiramisu, cannoli and homemade white chocolate cheesecake.

Everything is made on the premises, from tasty pizzas, al dente pasta dishes to the ultimate desserts. The restaurants cozy and intimate atmosphere complements the homemade touch with which each meal is prepared. Nino's offers fine wines, full liquor service and a wide selection of beers.

Dishes are prepared by Barber, chefs extraordinaire Adam and Tony Bostwick and Lori's son Dustin Flasher who worked in many fine hotels.

"He brings his expertise," Barber said.

The restaurant employs an excellent staff including the hostess with the mostest, Pauline and Joanne, who is always ready to serve with a smile. They



Owner Tom Barber and niece Lori are part of the winning team at Nino's.

also staff very knowledgeable servers and a wonderful maintenance crew.

For those looking for the same fresh quality and home cooked flavor for special occasions, Nino's also offers catering, and is currently taking orders for lasagna or pasta trays for Easter. Nino's famous sauces are available to purchase to go along with the regular carry out menu.

On Sundays, an "Italian feast" is offered, starting at 1 p.m. Nino's is open Monday through Saturday, 4-10 p.m. and Sundays from 1-8 p.m. Plans are in the works to begin serving lunch Wednesday through Friday from starting at 11 a.m.

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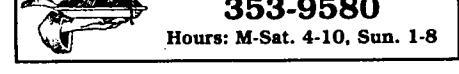
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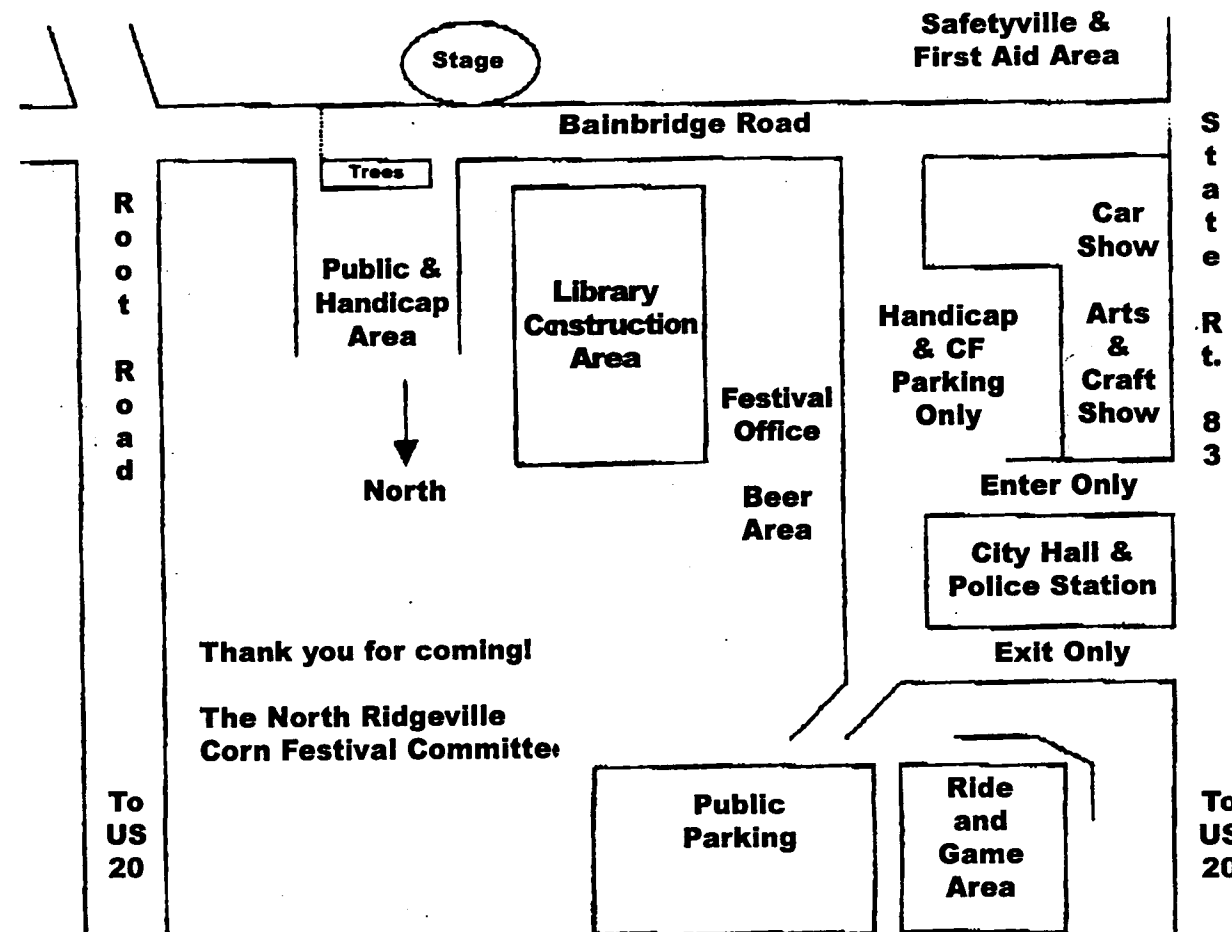
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### FRIDAY

6:00 P.M. Grounds Open  
Rides \$12.00  
Safetyville Building Open\*\*  
6:30 P.M. "Barbershop Quartet"  
7:00 P.M. Opening Ceremonies  
7:15 P.M. Golden Kernel Award  
8:00 P.M. Free Musical Entertainment by *Direct Energy*, Sponsored by N.R. Corn Festival  
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**AUGUST 8TH**

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Evening Rides 5-11:00 P.M. \$12.00

9 AM-12:00 Car Show Registration  
12:00 P.M. Grounds Open  
Safetyville Building Open  
12-4 P.M. Car Show with Entertainment from *Yearbook*  
1-3 P.M. Children's Games  
2:00 P.M. Bloodmobile, sponsored by N.R. Fire Department\*\*  
4-4:30 P.M. Register at Gazebo for  
4:30 P.M. Corn Eating Contest  
5:00 P.M. Rides \$12.00  
8:30-10:30 P.M. Free Musical Entertainment by *Gary Lewis and The Playboys*, sponsored by N.R. Corn Festival  
11:00 P.M. Grounds Close

**AUGUST 9TH**

### SUNDAY

12:00 P.M. Grounds Open  
12:00 P.M. Rides \$12.00  
12:00 P.M. Safetyville Building Open\*\*  
12:00 - Chicken Bar-B-Que,  
6:00 P.M. St. Peter's Church\*\*  
2:30 P.M. Grande Parade  
"Bicentennial Theme"  
4:00 P.M. Introduction of Visiting Queens  
4:30 P.M. Parade Trophies  
5:00 P.M. Free Musical Entertainment by *Roger and the Ram Jets*  
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## This year's Corn Festival promises to be a winner

By Carol Klear

The 2003 Corn Festival will help celebrate Ohio's 200th birthday with an array of festivities during the three-day weekend, Aug. 8, 9 and 10.

The Amish-style sweet corn will be in ample supply, along with lots of vendors, rides, the arts and crafts show, sponsored by the North Ridgeville Arts Council, the corn-eating contest along with free entertainment all three days.

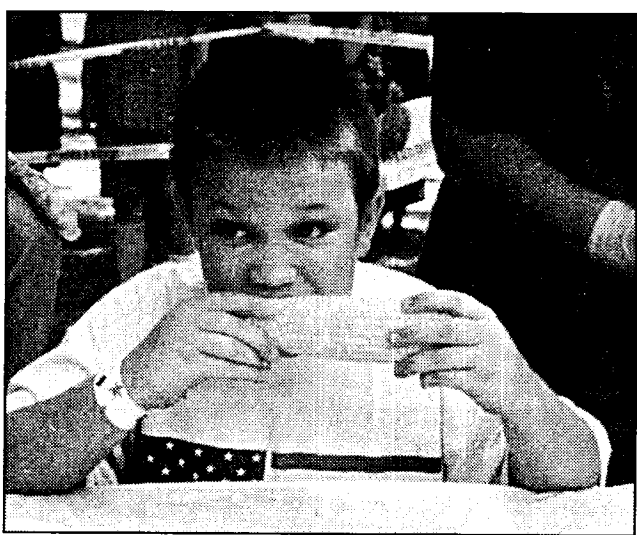
Grounds open Friday at 6 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. a Barbershop Quartet will get the weekend off to a musical start. The opening ceremonies will begin at 7 p.m. and at 7:15 p.m. when the committee will announce this year's winners of the Golden Kernel Award-two outstanding citizens of North Ridgeville who have helped the city through the years.

The new North Ridgeville Corn Festival/Ohio Bicentennial T-shirt will be unveiled with limited quantities available for purchase at the festival's souvenir booth.

At 8 p.m., Direct Energy, sponsored by the Corn Festival Committee, will take to the Corn Festival stage to pump up the first night of the weekend fest with its musical entertainment and at 10:30 p.m., fireworks will round out the evening.

On Saturday, the always-popular car show will begin at noon and continue until 4 p.m. against a background of music by Yearbook. Participants in the car show may begin registering at 9 a.m. And even earlier, the annual Lion's Club Run will be held on Sugar Ridge Road in front of Sugar Ridge Road Baptist Church.

The second day of the Corn Festival is a special one for kids, with tickets for the Great Lakes Exposition Rides just \$10 from noon - 6 p.m. And at 1 p.m. take a break from the rides and join the fun at the children's games in the gazebo area.



What's a corn festival without a corn-eating contest? At 4 p.m. children and adults can sit down to lots of sweet corn and see just how much they can eat at one time. The fee is just \$5 per person with all the proceeds from the fun contest going to North Ridgeville Community Care.

As the evening sun begins to set, Gary Lewis and the Playboys will provide free musical entertainment from 8:30-10:30 p.m.

The festival grounds and the rides open at noon on Sunday and from noon-6 p.m. St. Peter Church will hold its annual chicken barbecue in Kitt Hall. This year's Grande Parade will have a Bicentennial theme and will head west on SR 20 from Marc's parking lot. Parade trophies will be awarded in different categories and at 5 p.m. there will more free music by Roger and the Ramjets.

By 8 p.m. the grounds will close and the festival will wrap up for another year.

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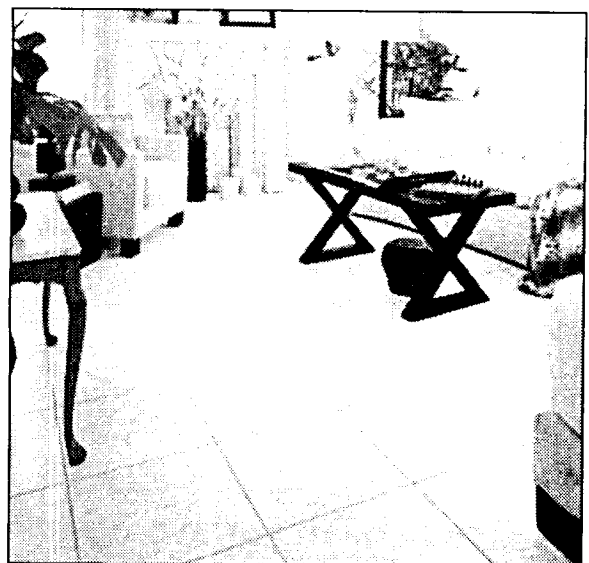
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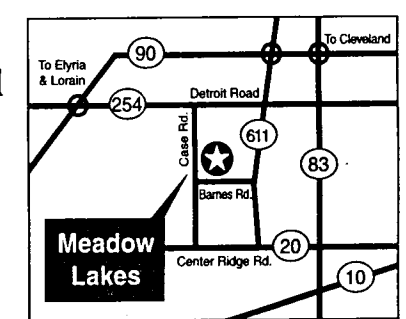
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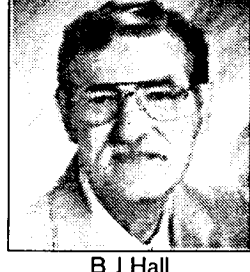
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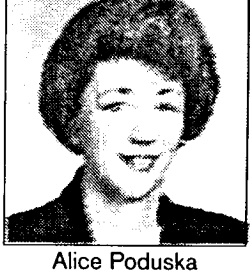
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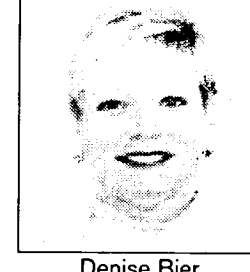
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