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NRHS graduate talked to Columbia shuttle crew just before tragedy

By Carol Klear

North Ridgeville High School graduate, Maj. Charles Hobaugh USMC, was the last person to talk with a member of the crew of the space shuttle Columbia, before it apparently disintegrated Saturday morning.

According to news reports, Hobaugh, the capsule communicator at NASA Mission Control in Houston called Columbia Commander Rick Husband after there had been no word from the Columbia for some time. Just as Husband was responding, the communication was cut off.

In a telephone conversation Monday morning with his father, Jimmie Hobaugh, who lives in Sault St. Marie, Mich., he told The Press & Light he talked to his son Sunday night and said he's doing as well as can be expected.

"That's a family there," Jimmie Hobaugh said of the astronauts. "They

are really tight." He said his son told him he is willing to help with the search.

"Charlie was training for the next flight in November on the Columbia," Jimmie Hobaugh said.

Does the elder Hobaugh feel the astronaut program should be scrapped, in light of Saturday's tragedy?

Jimmie Hobaugh said the average person in the United States doesn't understand the value of the research gathered from the space flights.

By way of example, he related he had knee surgery, under the care of a new physician, using some of the knowledge collected through studies from the space program.

"The idea that they would stop the space program is ludicrous," he said.

Charles Hobaugh, 41, was born in

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Snow day!

The much awaited snow day finally came Jan. 29, when North Ridgeville City Schools closed. Cody Herman, Tim Ice and David Frangella spent most of the day out in the snow.

Democrats may have two candidates for mayor in next primary election

By Carol Klear

There may be two Democrats running for mayor in the May Primary.

Safety Service Director Jim Johnson and Ward II Councilman Al Swindig.

Johnson said he hasn't filed his petitions with the Board of Elections yet, but he has more than enough of the required signatures to do so. The deadline for filing is Feb. 20 at 4 p.m.

Though the safety service director is presently under investigation for allegations he underpaid the sanitary sewer tap-in fee for the Center Ridge Tire Center, the business he owns, he told The Press & Light Friday, he is "still very much in the running" for the city's top post.

Johnson said he and his wife, Joyce, are buoyed by the encouragement they receive from North Ridgeville residents when they are out and about in the community.

"We have a lot of people supporting us everywhere we go," Johnson said.

Johnson's initial entry into city government was in 1999 when he ran and

won the Ward I council seat. Prior to that, Johnson was well known as the owner and operator of the tire center.

In 2000, Mayor Deanna Hill tapped

Johnson to be the city's safety service director, filling the post that was left vacant by former safety service director, Dan Zirzow's.

Last week, Swindig said he has been receiving a number of telephone calls asking him to run for mayor, and he is considering the idea.

"I was really surprised at how many calls I had," he said.

Previously Swindig indicated he might run for council-at-large. On Press & Light deadline, he had not made a final decision about which race he will enter.

Swindig has been a legislator for two decades and has served on every council committee at one time or another. In his 20 years

on council, Swindig has always represented Ward II, which means that making a bid for either an at-large council seat or the mayor's post will be another step in his career in politics.



Johnson



Swindig

Republican mayoral candidates ready for upcoming May Primary

By Carol Klear

With just two weeks before the filing deadline for the May 6 Primary Election, candidates and potential candidates for the mayor's seat continue to jockey for position, however one of the Republican hopefuls, Tom Dake, is at the starting gate and ready to run.

In a slick press packet, Dake outlined 10 visions he has for North Ridgeville, including a change in attitude in city hall that will translate into upgrading the city's image. He wants to open the lines of communication between the administration and council, city employees and residents. Dake said he plans to insure sound fiscal management, without additional taxes for citizens and attract new business without the strings of tax abatement. Dake also has established a website at www.dakeformayor.com.

Discussing his qualifications for the city's top post, Dake said he feels his experience as a business owner for more than 22 years with a staff of 50 employees is an asset. His skill at negotiating labor agreements, both with trade unions and unions within the North Ridgeville City Schools

heightens his qualifications as a mayoral candidate, Dake said.

When asked why he decided to run for mayor, Dake recalled Sept. 11, 2001 and said the events of that day forever changed him.

"I matured into a public servant," he said, adding that if elected, he will enter into a contract with the community to do the job as it should be done.

Republicans Dave Gillock and Rosemary Berg both filed their petitions as candidates for the mayor's post last week.

Gillock said he has been preparing for the opportunity to run for mayor for several years and looks forward to campaigning in the Primary Election.

Presently he is serving as council president and has been involved in city government since 1994, including serving on the fair housing board, the board of zoning appeals, the planning commission and the parks and recreation commission as well as two terms on city council. He feels his extensive experience in city government has provided him with the background needed to guide the city through the next mayoral term.



Dake



Gillock



Berg

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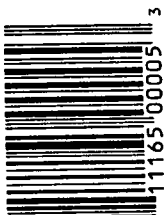


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City council votes to fix Dyke Avenue light and do traffic study

By Carol Klear

The controversy over the traffic signal at Center Ridge Road and Dyke Avenue seemed to be taking on a life of its own, but Monday night by a 6-1 vote, with Al Swindig, D-II dissenting, city council took steps to put the issue to rest by amending legislation that authorizes \$85,000 for a traffic study and adds \$6,000 to upgrade the light at Dyke.

Last week the safety committee appeared ready to wrap up the debate over what to do about the light when it prepared two reports for council-one denying a traffic study for Dyke Avenue and Case Road, and the other approving not more than \$6,000 to put the light in working order. However, Safety Committee Chairman Josanne Pagel, R-III, said she had second thoughts after signing the committee reports and prior to the council meeting, deleted her name from the account and prepared the minority report to include funds for both the traffic study and the light.

During the committee meeting, Swindig and Bob Olesen R-IV, along with Council President Dave Gillock agreed to bypass a traffic study to determine whether the light should stay or be eliminated, which would

cost approximately \$6,000 and instead use the money to upgrade the light. They said the safety service director had the discretion to make the decision.

Previously the administration had provided support for the light in statements from the city's safety officials, as well as a petition from nearly three-dozen school bus drivers, who argued that safety was a determining factor in keeping the light. During the safety committee meeting, Olesen asked if a traffic study would measure a school bus' ability to negotiate the turn at Dyke and Center Ridge.

"I don't want to be responsible for removing the light," he said.

Committee members also used the codified ordinances as reasons the light should be fixed and the study forgotten, however during the council meeting Pagel said they cited "only portions" of the statutes to make their case, using information from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) that she insisted was "more than sufficient evidence to support a decision to do a traffic study."

Following Pagel's explanation, Mayor Deanna Hill said that when the light began to malfunction, it was investigated.

"There is one basic problem," Hill said. "It's 31 years old and the guts of the equipment are shot."

Pagel argued that Streets Supervisor Jerry Krueger said to set the light to trip would cost approximately \$6,000.

Safety Service Director Jim Johnson said the tab would be \$5,700 and include not only a trip signal, but also a control panel and resetting the light, as well.

Pagel insisted there are other intersections that are difficult to negotiate, calling Dyke "the squeaky wheel that gets the grease."

Hill told Pagel, "there is no conspiracy to make the light go bad. We can't control when the light goes bad. It's a unique situation."

The dispute over whether the 31-year old light should remain or be removed, resurfaced recently when Otten Road resident Chris Crobaugh threatened to sue the city if officials didn't remove the light which Crobaugh insists is illegal.

Crobaugh said North Ridgeville city officials claim they know the law, they then say, "We don't care."

"All I'm hearing is 'How do I get around the law,' no one asked how to get the law changed," Crobaugh said. "It's dangerous."

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By Carol Klear

WATCH IT.....If you attend any meetings (or heaven forbid, Mayor's Court) in council chambers, leave the refreshments at the door. There's a new sign at the top of the stairs that disallows any food or beverage inside the hallowed hall, with the exception of water. Seems there's been a bit too much dribbling and even dump-overs (especially cups of coffee) and the ladies in the clerk's office are sick and tired of trying to clean up the messes. In fact, as you walk to the water cooler, you'll see a large java stain. So...water only, please.

NOT TRUE.....You know those stories about "money-grubbing" lawyers? Well, they don't apply to everyone. Take

KLEARLY SPEAKING

Kevin Corcoran for example. When the buildings and lands committee met last week, Kevin was right up front adding his legal expertise to verbiage concerning legislation on Special Development Districts (SDD). When I asked the legal-eagle his per-hour fee for the after-office-hours contribution, he said, "no charge." Way to go, Kevin.

PLEASANT SURPRISE.....As I toddled out to get the early morning paper the day after the latest snowfall, I found that unbeknownst to us during the dark of night, an unidentified Good Samaritan had plowed our driveway.

Thank you ever so much.

CHAMBER CONFAB.....During last week's Chamber of Commerce wrap-up of its Small Business Survey, those attending were divided into small groups and one table boasted three councilmen-Denny Johnson, Bob Olesen and Dave Gillock. Isn't there some rule that says, "When three or more are gathered..." it's a quorum. Maybe I should have joined that discussion klatch-you just never know what I might have learned.

COLLISION ON CRR.....We all gripe about Center Ridge Road and how it should be widened, but my encounter on Route 20 just before the chamber session woulda happened no matter the

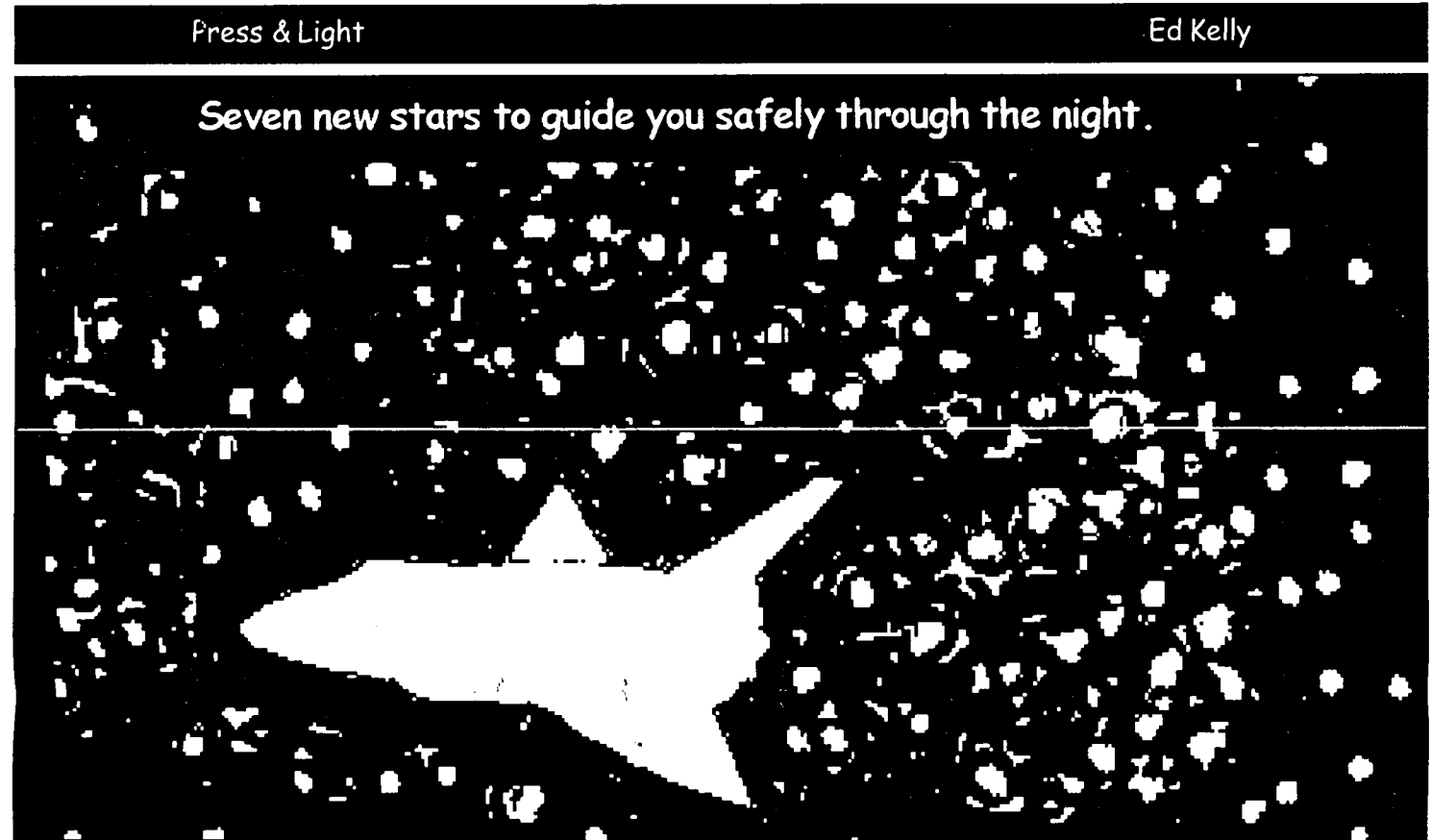
size of the road. As I headed west on CRR on my way from an interview, the second car behind me, struck the car in front of her, who subsequently hit me. I got jostled a bit and will probably have a couple of aches, to say nothing of a broken bumper, but the worst part is that in more than 40 years of driving, I've NEVER been in an accident.

CHILLING.....When she heard about Saturday's tragic events, Daughter No. 5 immediately recalled she saw the Columbia lift off, Jan. 16, when she was in Florida on business. Daughter No. 6 heard the news while heading to Ground Zero in New York.

DON'T FORGET.....Feb. 6 is the last day to send us your Valentine stories.

PRESSLINE

E-mail: My daughter, Jaclyn, in the summer of 1999 worked on an internship at NASA Glenn in Cleveland. During her internship she was in the public affairs department. Part of her job that summer was to work on the luncheon for the visiting astronaut "Michael Anderson." She was very fortunate and was able to attend the luncheon and spend the whole day with him. She was very impressed by him. When she heard word yesterday that the space shuttle Columbia had exploded she said she felt this eerie feeling come over her. She didn't know why, but she knew that somehow she felt connected. She remembered her days at NASA and her friend Michael Anderson. She didn't really want to bear the names of the seven lost in the tragedy for fear that Michael Anderson was among them. But she knew she needed to. Her friend Michael Anderson was among the lost. She broke down and cried. She has pictures of him with her and also autographed pictures from him.
LuAnn Light
North Ridgeville



May the souls of those magnificent seven rest in peace

On Saturdays when I can sleep in a bit longer, for some reason I can't. It probably has to do with habit and an internal clock that won't let me stay in bed past 7 a.m.

Last Saturday was no exception. As usual, I slipped into my robe and slippers, headed for the kitchen to wake up the slumbering coffee maker, then continued outside to the paper tubes to rescue the morning news from the splashes of passing motorists.

As I sipped coffee from one of my favorite mugs, I began a mental list of things to get done in the next couple of hours. We were heading to Perrysburg, a Toledo suburb, before noon for a surprise party for my husband's twin sisters who were turning 60.

My contribution to the festivities was some party plates and napkins, and a birthday balloon that would be picked up on the way.

My husband was still sleeping, so I



Editor's Notebook

By Carol Klear

tossed a load of clothes into the washer and turned on the television. We still had plenty of time before traveling west so I continued to enjoy the still-warm dark brown liquid in my cup and languish over whatever was on TV.

The washer stopped and I heard my husband coming down the stairs.

It was time to get on with the day. Before hitting the highway, we stopped to collect the balloon. It wasn't one of those "Over the Hill" inflatables, but a bit subtler in its reference to

advancing age and was dotted with various numbers and the slogan, "Who's Counting?" I thought it was cute and it matched the napkins I had bought a couple of days before.

My husband was waiting in the car and while I tried to hold tight to its cord, the balloon bobbed its Who's Counting? message as if it knew it was headed to a party. I put it in the back seat, tucked the ribbon under a coat to keep the balloon from obstructing the view.

As I got in the car, buckled my seat belt and shut the door, my husband said, "The space shuttle exploded."

"Oh my God, not again," I thought, my mind immediately recalling the tragedy of the Challenger, 17 years before.

We both fell silent as news reporters filled us in on the grizzly details via the radio. Throughout the rest of the journey, it was difficult to remember we were on our way to a party and the question

"Who's Counting?" took on a new meaning.

Space officials told us the tragedy occurred 39 miles above the earth.

They informed us that the catastrophe happened in the last 16 minutes before the 16-day mission would have been completed successfully.

But the most significant count was seven-the number of astronauts who were killed when the shuttle detonated. The five men and two women were so very ready to take on the challenges of their space voyage and subsequently share them with the world.

But it was not to be. Some religious leaders look on the number seven as God's own and others explain the significance as Divine completion and perfection. And perhaps that is something to hold onto as we mourn.

The seven space martyrs completed their assignment perfectly. Now they rest with God.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Column had good and bad points

To the Editor:
The article in the Jan. 15 edition of the Press & Light by Melissa Linebrink had its good and bad points.

I have been in North Ridgeville for over seven years and it is a good place to live. Improvements have been made and there are a lot more improvements to be made to make North Ridgeville a better place to live.

In Melissa Linebrink's article, she mentions plazas. It is true that the empty plaza where Center Ridge bowling lanes is located is a sore spot. What the Corn Festival does with the money it raises, as Bob Liston says, goes back to the community. By the way, do festival committees in other communities do the same? As for class in communities, if one is better than another, then move. There are plenty of houses to buy and live in. No matter where you go, people will be how you are.

Gerald Mayer
North Ridgeville

It's a choice

To the Editor:
I am writing regarding the comment that those who did not rise to give the current mayor of North Ridgeville a standing ovation at the recent State of the City luncheon were guilty of tacky behavior.

I believe that it is common practice to give a standing ovation to show agreement with what has been said or approval of who has said it, and not to show respect for the office as was stated. If the latter were the case, then I believe every U.S. Senator and U.S. Representative as well as other notables, would have stood at the State of the Union address as President presented his address.

Among the many great privileges we Americans share are the freedoms of choice and opinion. You certainly have the right to your opinion, but why not allow others to enjoy theirs without resorting to derogatory labeling?

In any case, I'd much rather be labeled as "tacky" than as "hypocritical!"
Helen W. Hurst
North Ridgeville

Choose words carefully

To the Editor:
This is regarding the article of Ms. Linebrink, dated 1-15-03.

Class: A number of persons or things forming one group through the possession of similar qualities, etc., etc.; slang word for high style or manner in dress.

If you do not have a dictionary of your own we have a wonderful library in our deprived town.

Please consult one as well as Emily Post before you insult an entire city. We are all really waiting for your thoughts on us after a long-term residency of one year and nine months.

North Ridgeville has only one "class." It is the residents of the city who care about their homes, families, neighbors and city. If you would care to become a member of this "class," perhaps you should choose your words more carefully...a resident of 40-plus years.

Sarah Wilson
North Ridgeville

Applauds to Melissa Linebrink

To the Editor:
In response to Bob Liston's letter of Jan. 22, who responded to Melissa Linebrink's column in the Jan. 15 issue.

I am in 110 percent agreement with Ms. Linebrink. Bob Liston is probably one of those people who has trees in and around his yard, unlike us, who have a road 10 feet away from our bedroom window where trees, deer and birds once were. Now there are cars whizzing by at all hours of the day and night and new neighbors in brand new homes who look down on us less fortunate.

He probably doesn't have to fight the traffic mess on Lear Nagle and Center Ridge and dodge the chuckholes. He didn't see the city trucks paint new center-lines down Lear Nagle followed by another truck that filled chuckholes with tar patch covering the newly painted lines.

His business is probably in one of those newly built strip malls that have so many other units abandoned.

Cheers to you Melissa Linebrink. You were dead right on all of your "10 wishes." All of my neighbors, friends and I applaud you and stand by you.

"Melissa Linebrink for new Mayor of North Ridgeville," is what we have to say.
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Democratic Party chair announces council slate

By Carol Klear

On Saturday, Larry Overby, chairman of the Democratic Party in North Ridgeville announced the slate of candidates for council in the 2003 election.

A newcomer, Karen Evans, will be running for the Ward I seat.

Evans said she has been active in the school district and the community for some time and feels the time has come to represent the people in Ward I.

"I think I would be good at getting information out to the people of my ward," Evans said.

Evans lives on Dyke Road and is a business marketing representative for Sam's Club.

Overby will run for the Ward II spot. "I enjoy it," he said, especially when it comes to handling "serious business."

In addition to being the party chairman, Overby previously served several years on council including Ward I from 1990-1995. Since the ward redistricting, Overby is eligible to run in Ward II. The veteran Ward II Councilman Al Swindig is relinquishing that spot after serving for two decades to run for an at-large

seat or for mayor.

The Manchester Drive resident has been employed by M.A. Building and Maintenance for 32 years.

John Zywcck is the Democratic candidate for Ward III. He could not be reached for comment.

Another new entry in this year's race is Mike Whitlock, who is the Democratic hopeful for Ward IV.

Whitlock grew up in North Ridgeville. Though he moved away for a short time, he returned to his hometown and lives on Main Street. When he came home, Whitlock said he began paying "more and more attention to politics" and feels it's time for younger people to serve the residents.

Main Street is new to Ward IV, he said, and he is anxious to get out and meet the people in his ward.

He is a millwright for Local 1781.

The three at-large candidates on the Democratic ticket are Andy Young, Jim Rothgery and Dick Brent.

Rothgery was introduced in a prior issue of The Press & Light. On Press & Light deadline Young and Brent could not be reached for comment.

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Some of the areas Gillock plans to work toward are financial solvency, improvements to the parks and roads and attracting new business. He also believes in empowering city employees to do their jobs without day-to-day micromanaging. If elected, Gillock says he will immediately institute an open door policy at city hall for citizens as well as employees.

"We all want a city we can be proud of, a city that is attractive and affordable to live in," Gillock said. "I want to work with the taxpayers of North Ridgeville to reach that goal."

Veteran councilwoman Rosemary Berg filed her petitions as a mayoral candidate last week.

"I also named myself as treasurer," she said, quashing rumors that former councilwoman Gail Minnick was handling her campaign funds.

Prior to her run for mayor, Berg served on council for 10 years, including a stint as council president.

In her initial announcement that she planned to run for the top spot, Berg said she was "tired" of the way the present administration was running the city. She stressed that the motive for her bid for mayor was "for the good of the city."

Last week Berg said she reiterated her position, adding, "It's a matter of respect...respect for council...respect for city officials...respect for people."

She also set the record straight on the issue of STAMP (Stop Abusing the Master Plan).

"I was never a member of STAMP," Berg said, however she knows people who did belong to the committee and respects their right to their own opinions.

The mayoral candidate invited residents to contact her if they have questions about her or her positions on issues.

"My number is in the book," she said.



A Nation Mourns

Flags across the country are flying at half-mast to commemorate the seven astronauts who died in the Columbia shuttle tragedy on Feb. 1.

Phillips files another lawsuit in Ohio Supreme Court

By Carol Klear

Avon attorney Gerald Phillips filed another lawsuit against the City of North Ridgeville in the Ohio Supreme Court, Jan. 15, contending the citizens "have the right to vote" on planned community developments (PCD). The latest legal action protests council's final approval of two portions of the Waterbury PCD-Andover and Chaddwyck.

The writ of mandamus asks that the ordinances concerning Andover and Chaddwyck be placed on the ballot.

Phillips said the clerk of council certified the petitions, Oct. 29, however on Nov. 6, Law Director Eric Zagrans ruled the petitions were invalid.

During the Jan. 21 lobby session, Phillips charged Mayor Deanna Hill and Zagrans with "repeatedly stonewalling"

the rights of voters. He asked city officials why they feared a vote on PCDs.

He also said he hopes the Supreme Court will rule on the issue and put an end to the situation.

Following the meeting, Zagrans reiterated the position he has maintained since Phillips began insisting residents should have the right to vote on PCDs. He said the approval is not subject to referendum because it was an administrative action. Under the Ohio Constitution, only legislative action is subject to referendum.

The most recent lawsuit was filed by the Committee for the Referendum of the two ordinances listing John Prajzner as chairman, along with Robert Miles, Prajzner and Ron Hawke. Defendants in the suit are Clerk of Council Chuck Norris, North Ridgeville City Council and the City of North Ridgeville.

City officials to get tough on parking violations

By Carol Klear

It wasn't on the agenda, but the heavy snowfalls recently prompted council's safety committee to discuss what to do about residents who break the law by parking on the streets despite an emergency snow ban. Cars are not to be parked on city streets when the snow reaches 2 inches.

Council President Dave Gillock said he has had several complaints about parking on streets during the snow.

Mayor Deanna Hill said parking on

the streets is a safety issue.

"Snow plows can't get around," she said. "Drivers don't have time to stop and go around."

Dyke Road resident Cene Kleinholz suggested posting signs when snow depth reaches 2 inches or more.

Hill also noted that cars are not to be parked on the streets between 2-6 a.m.

The committee plans to revisit the ordinance and the fines attached to the violations.

"Let's make it \$25 to get their (motorists) attention," Gillock said.



Storytime

Pre-school students enjoy a story by librarian Karen Sigsworth during storytime Jan. 29 at the North Ridgeville Public Library.

Lorain County Commissioners approve abatement request

By Carol Klear

The Lorain County commissioners approved an abatement request that could bring the Summit Tool Company to the city.

The Akron-based company has expressed an interest in moving its Michigan operation to the vacant AAR building on Mills Road. During the Jan. 21 council meeting the legislators voted unanimously to allow the abatement, however there was not enough support to add the emergency clause to the ordinance that would have put it into effect immediately.

Mayor Deanna Hill cautioned council at the time that Summit Tool was looking at other locations that the delay could cost the city the added revenue. The legislation went to the county com-

missioners minus the emergency and was approved Thursday.

Kevin Corcoran, president of the North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce, had also asked council to attach the emergency clause to the legislation. Following the commissioners' meeting, Corcoran said the chamber was happy with the approval.

He said the chamber is looking forward to Summit Tool's joining the business community, as well as the company's help in easing "the residential tax burden."

The 10-year pact includes 100 percent abatement on Summit's personal property taxes the first year. The deal also provides for a \$10,000 contribution the North Ridgeville City Schools initially.

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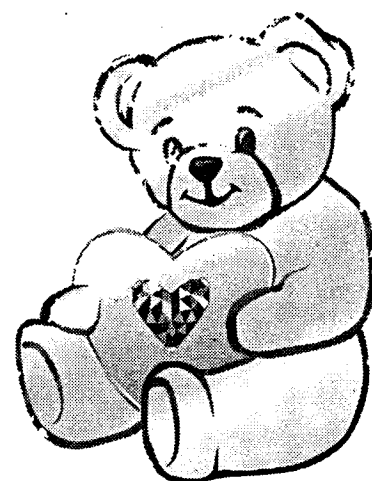
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TIME OUT

Support your Lady Rangers

While the North Ridgeville High School boys basketball team has vastly improved from last year and is on the verge of becoming the school's first winning basketball program in 20 years, the girls basketball squad has been struggling all year.



Joe Ostrica

The Lady Rangers have just one win this season and are still looking for their first Pioneer Conference victory. The schedule didn't help as they've played at home just three times in their last nine games. This Saturday evening is Senior Night as the Lady Rangers host Medina. Medina, who was just 2-14, 1-8 heading into last weekend, got their only conference win coming in a close 48-41 match against Ridgeville.

The Lady Rangers have a good chance of finishing out the season with a win. Basketball fans, parents, students and administration members should turn out for this special night to support their team. Let the seniors, who have been working hard all season and who've never given up, know how much you care.

The JV game begins at 6 p.m. and the varsity game follows.

St. Peter loses finale

The North Ridgeville St. Peter seventh grade basketball team traveled to Avon Holy Trinity for the regular season finale and a fight for first place in the CYO division between two teams with perfect records. Holy Trinity managed a 36-29 come-from-behind win to give the Saints their first regular season setback. After being down 12-11 at the end of the first quarter, the Saints went on a 10-4 run to take a 21-16 halftime lead.

Jayson Graham led the way, scoring 10 of his game high 12 points in the first half as it looked like North Ridgeville was poised for the upset. Holy Trinity battled back to regain the lead, limiting the Saints to just two third quarter points. The last three minutes were wild as St. Peter pulled to within two on Richie Baker's basket followed by a long jumper by Nick Nelson. But with the Saints in foul trouble near the end, and Holy Trinity in the bonus, Avon connected on all of their foul shots to seal the victory.

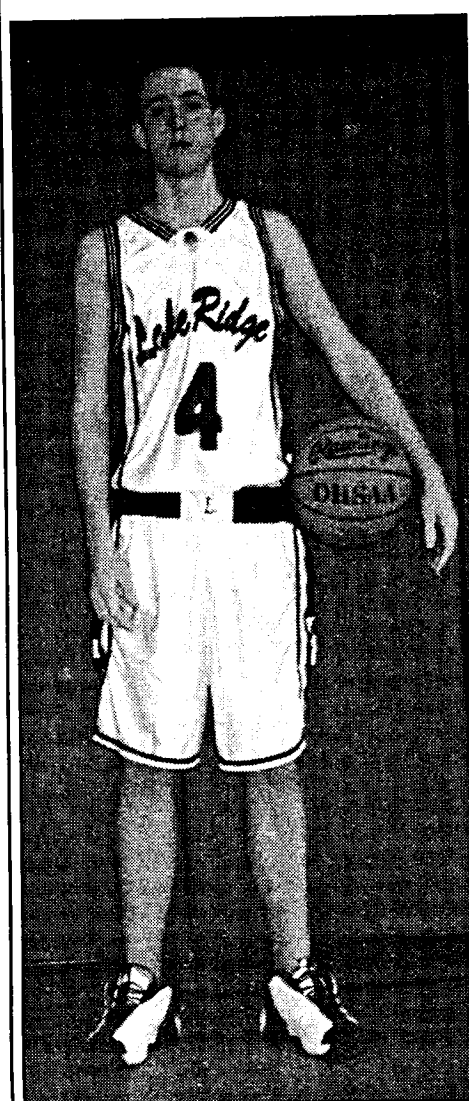
Besides the play of Graham (12 points, 12 rebounds, four steals) and Baker (nine points, 15 rebounds, three steals), the Saints played their best game of the year with contributions from every player. Joey Andulics (four points, nine rebounds, one steal), Pat Flanagan (two points, six rebounds, three steals) and Nick Nelson (two points, four rebounds, three steals) rounded out the scoring. Joey DeCapite (four rebounds, three steals) and Tim Ice (nine rebounds, one steal) had solid efforts on defense while Matt Healy (three rebounds) and Michael Becker (two rebounds) put some work in on the boards.

The Saints will face Avon Holy Trinity again as they head into a few post-season CYO tournaments beginning next weekend at St. Anthony in Lorain. They finished 8-1 in the regular season and 12-3 overall including tournament action.

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Flannery breaks three-point record in close loss

By Joe Ostrica



Lake Ridge Academy junior Court Flannery broke the school's record for most career three-pointers made in a 58-55 loss to Fuchs Mizrahi. Flannery has 66 from long distance in just 34 games.

Lake Ridge Academy's Court Flannery broke the school's record for most career three-pointers last week against Fuchs Mizrahi, but he didn't get the final result he was hoping for. The Royals, who came from behind to defeat Fuchs Mizrahi earlier in the season, made things interesting with an exciting fourth quarter rally before running out of time and losing 58-55.

"We had a step back today, but we're playing well as a team," Flannery said. "It would have been a great finish to a good night. We're just trying to get back into things. We're still confident about the season."

The junior guard needed just one three-pointer to break Tom Sparrow's six-year-old record of 64 three-pointers. The coaches wisely drew up a play for Flannery to get open off a double screen so he could get the basket in the early going. His first shot didn't fall, but on their next possession, Flannery drilled the record-breaking basket to put the Royals up 3-0 nearly two minutes into the game. Flannery drained another three in the fourth quarter and finished with a career high 27 points.

"We designed a play to get it over with right away," assistant coach Lee Cannaday said. "He worked real hard and he stepped up to the plate today."

Flannery was quick to credit his teammates for his accomplishment.

"It feels good, but it's not just for me," he said. "It's a great team accomplishment from last year and this year. I've been able to get open and everybody has been playing well. Aalap (Narichania) is so quick with his penetration and then he kicks it out to me. He's got a bunch of threes too. We've been playing together for so long

that most of my three-pointers came from him. Sam (Maczuzak) and Brian (Shimko) have been a force inside and that's been able to help kick it out to me."

It's quite a feat for Flannery to have 66 three-pointers, considering he's only halfway through his junior year and he played in just two games his freshman season before breaking his left femur. After a stellar sophomore year, during which he drilled 48 threes, Flannery knew he needed just 15 to break the record.

At the beginning of the season, Flannery was forcing too many shots from outside, making just five as he averaged seven points through the first five games. He found his rhythm by launching more mid-range jumpers and taking the ball to the basket. In the last seven games, Flannery has averaged nearly 18 points per game and connected on eleven from downtown.

Flannery credits his father, Michael, for helping him develop his outside shot. In order to help him come back from his injury, Michael would work with Court, arriving in the gym as early as six in the morning.

"It's fantastic that he had the chance to get the record," Michael said. "He's got a completely different game this year. Their building themselves as a team and Court has been really focused on trying to draw everybody into the game and make it a real team effort. I'm really proud of him."

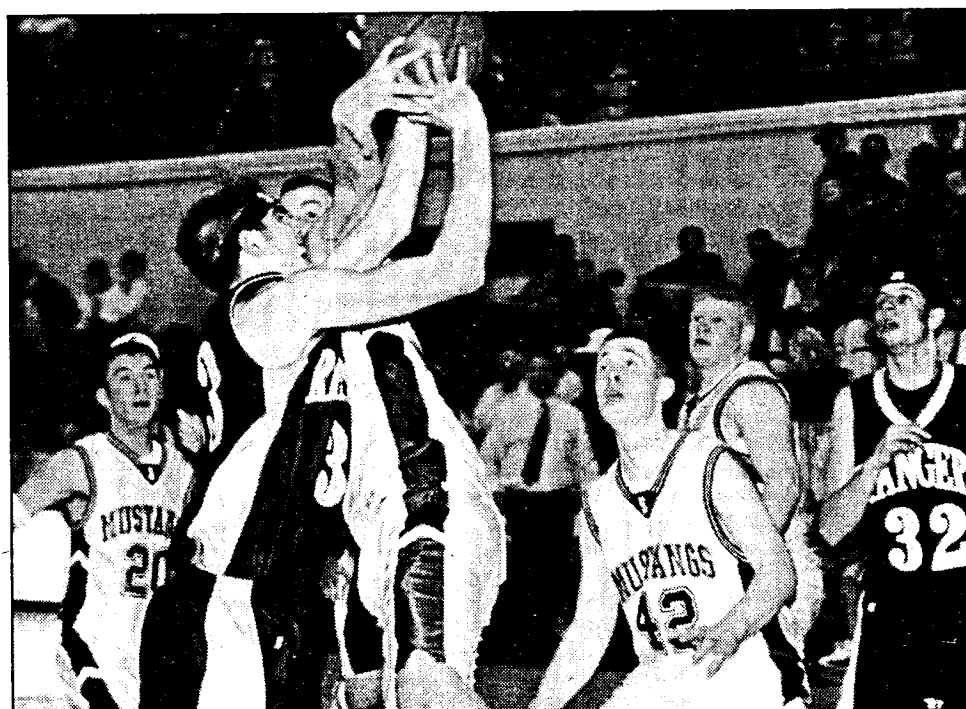
Although he's also proud of the record, Flannery knows he and his teammates let one get away.

"It's over with, I'm proud of it and I'm proud of our team," Flannery said.

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Rangers look to break slump with return home

By Joe Ostrica



North Ridgeville senior Andrew Rothacker, seen here driving through Strongsville's defense, provided some of the Rangers' rare highlights last week in two losses. Rothacker, who led Ridgeville in scoring at Brecksville and Strongsville, has been the Rangers' leading scorer in nearly half their games this season and is averaging 13.7 points per game.

perimeter after that as the Mustangs, who had seven three-pointers in the first half, hit just two more in the second half.

Ridgeville closed out the third quarter with a 12-5 run to regain the lead for the first time since late in the first quarter. Rothacker, who scored seven of his team-high 22 points in the period, was instrumental in the Rangers comeback.

"That was our plan," Rechin said. "I really didn't think they could stop Rothacker. I really believe we can get the ball inside almost at will."

But the Rangers couldn't hold on to a 62-60 lead with under a minute to go in the final period. Two costly

turnovers on their end of the court kept them from getting any shots off in the final 40 seconds.

"There's a notion that we have to get it to Rothacker off the very first look at him," Rechin said. "It's nothing more than just getting a ball reversal, maybe two ball reversals. We've become so impatient or they think they've got an opening when it's not there. It's just a matter of forcing the issue. We've got to adjust and sometimes we just don't respond the way we should."

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Eighth-graders drop two straight for first time this season

By Joe Ostrica

For the first time this season, the North Ridgeville eighth-grade boys basketball team lost back-to-back games. After suffering a 52-39 setback to undefeated Medina Root, the Rangers lost a close 41-37 decision to Brunswick.

Dean Hunt led the Rangers against Medina Root with 14 points, four rebounds and one steal. Dean Wright (eight points, six rebounds), Chris Chismar (seven points, two rebounds, one steal) and Dan McClintic (four points, two rebounds, one steal) had good efforts. Nick Grazetti, Tyler Bender, Kyle Sullivan, Ben Frederick and James Wojdacz scored two points apiece. Kevin Cockburn led the Rangers on defense with three steals.

The Rangers gave basketball fans an exciting game to watch when they hosted Brunswick (8-3). After a fairly even first quarter that ended with the Rangers up 10-7, NRMS jumped up to their biggest lead of the game when Josh Kehl capped his steal off with an underhand scoop to the hoop to put the Rangers up 14-9. Brunswick shooters responded with several jumpers and outscored the Rangers 12-6 to take a 21-20 half-time lead.

Hunt scored seven of NRMS' 13 third quarter

points. After a foul was called at the buzzer, Cockburn drained two free throws to put the Rangers ahead 33-32 heading into the fourth quarter. After leading 35-34 with 2:32 remaining, the Rangers couldn't hold on and were defenseless as Brunswick connected on 7-of-9 free throws to pull away with the 41-37 victory.

Hunt (11 points on 5-of-8 shooting, four rebounds, four steals) and Jim Dutko (10 points, six rebounds, four steals) led the Rangers. Kehl (six points, two rebounds, three steals), Cockburn (four points, one steal), Frederick (four points) and Wright (two points, three rebounds) rounded out the scoring.

Despite the loss to Brunswick, coach Brian Nelson was happy with his team's performance.

"I thought the kids gave a great effort today," Nelson said. "They were all over the place. Three people took charges."

"They were diving for loose balls, boxing out and constantly pressuring the ball. Even though we lost, the effort was there. That's all I can ask them to do is give 110 percent."

After traveling to Berea on Tuesday (after P&L deadline), the 9-5 Rangers will face Brunswick again on the road Thursday. The Pioneer Conference Tournament kicks off Saturday at North Royalton.



Dean Hunt (32) and Josh Kehl (23) are the two leading scorers for North Ridgeville Middle School's eighth grade basketball team. Hunt leads the team with 9.4 points per game with Kehl right behind him (9.2).

ON DECK

Hot Stove registration

North Ridgeville's premiere baseball and softball league will have open registrations Feb. 8, 9 and 15 at Palmer Field located on Dodge Ave. off Bainbridge and Fairacres. Registration on Saturdays will run from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday registrations will run from noon till 3 p.m. Fees for boys and girls ages 6-8 are \$45; ages 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14 are \$65 each.

Because fees do not cover the cost of the program, there is a mandatory fundraiser that will cost \$40 at the time of registration. If you participate in the fundraiser, the \$40 will be refunded. All frozen players must be paid prior to being placed on a team roster. Draft for all non-frozen players is March 8. Mandatory cleanup is March 15. If you have any further questions, call Doug Long at (330) 723-8682 or Leslie Klein 327-2327.

Soccer tryouts

Dan Blagojevic and Larry Coreno are holding U11 soccer tryouts for a North Ridgeville boys travel team for ages 9-11. Tryouts are at NRHS auxiliary gym Feb. 12 at 7-8:30 p.m. and at NRMS Feb. 20, 6-7:30 p.m. Players will play eight-on-eight on a modified soccer field. Call 353-0128 for any further questions.

Advance volleyball training

Two area coaches are offering a high-level volleyball training program. The program is open to athletes in grades five through eight. Beginning or experienced athletes with an interest in learning or improving individual volleyball skills may register. Training will occur two days a week beginning Feb. 16 and continuing through April 21. There are no tryouts, however training will be limited to the first 60 participants. An informational

meeting will take place Feb. 9 at the Elyria Parks and Recreation East Rec. facility from 2-4 p.m. Training will take place at the same facility. Call (440) 960-5422 or e-mail to advance@loraincounty.com for more information.

NRASL spring registration

The final date for mail-in spring registration for the North Ridgeville Amateur Soccer League for boys and girls ages 4-14 is Feb. 15. Cost for NR residents is \$35 per player or \$100 family rate for three or more players. Non-resident cost is \$40 per player with a \$105 family rate. Optional \$10 "snack-a-week program" will be collected at registration.

Games are scheduled for Saturdays between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. and will be played from April 5 through June 7. There will be no games April 19 and May 3. Forms are available via website (www.nrasl.com) or parks and recreation office after Jan. 25.

The NRASL will also hold meetings on the third Tuesday of every month at 8 p.m. at the North Ridgeville Senior Center.

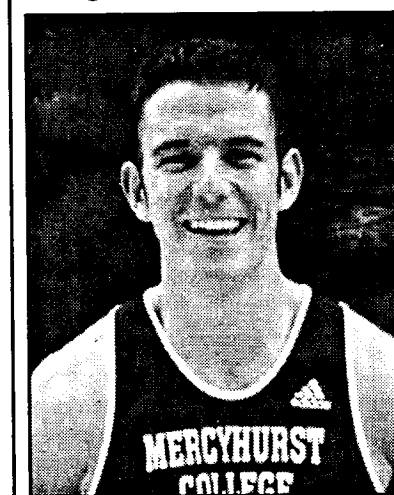
Winter sports

The North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department is offering the following sports this winter:

Open gym co-ed volleyball at the NR Middle School for ages 18 and up on the second Friday of every month until May from 7-9 p.m. Cost is \$1 each night. Women's open gym volleyball at Wilcox Elementary every Monday until May 19 from 6:15-8:15 p.m. Cost is \$2 per night.

Register for all sports at the parks and recreation office, 7307 Avon Belden Road, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or call 353-0860 for more information.

Ridgeville's Knight named Mercyhurst's captain



Ryan Knight has been unanimously selected by his teammates and coach as the next captain of the Mercyhurst College cross country team. The 1999 North Ridgeville High School graduate, who was a captain and MVP in cross country and track his senior year at NRHS, is a junior majoring in Business/sports management. Knight received the coach's award after finishing first on his team all season. He came in first place against Gannon with a time of 21:40 in a four-mile race. On Oct. 26, Knight broke the Mercyhurst record competing at the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championship with a time of 26:38 in the five-mile race.

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Black belt shows how staying active is an art for all ages

By Ryan Gahagan

The next time you run into North Ridgeville resident Len Baran, congratulate him on a job well done.

Baran, who will turn 71 in July, accomplished something that not many people his age do. On Jan. 18 he earned a black belt in taekwondo from Smith's Martial Arts School located inside the North Ridgeville Racquet Club.

Baran started taking lessons in December of 1997, after meeting Scott Smith whom runs the martial arts school. Baran mentioned his interest in taekwondo after being inspired by watching his granddaughter Emily perform the art in Mason, Ohio. Smith invited Baran to the school for a look around and he was hooked.

It took Baran roughly five years to earn his black belt, which is the highest-ranking belt in taekwondo. The average time frame to obtain a black belt in taekwondo is about three years. He dropped out of classes for a period of time only to rejoin and achieve his goal.

Baran has been active his entire life and this just adds to his long list of accomplishments.

"This is just another stepping stone in my life," Baran said. This, by far, is not the only thing he has accomplished. In the 1999 senior Olympics held at Baldwin Wallace, he placed first in the shot put and finished fourth in the discus.

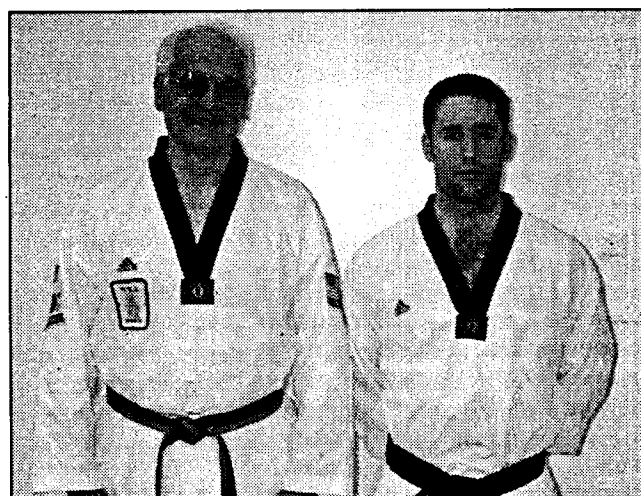
"Eventually I would like to break the national record for the shot put at the senior level," he added.

His drive and motivation has also inspired others. The instructors and students at the school enjoyed his company as much as he enjoyed taking classes.

"He is a great guy," owner and instructor Scott Smith said. "He gets along with all of the students and is very good to work with. The kids look up to him and a lot of the students are motivated just from watching him."

Baran stays active for the purpose of remaining healthy and keeping his blood flowing.

"You don't just have to be young to do this," he said. "No matter your age, get up off the chair or couch and just start moving. It is something you got to do."



North Ridgeville resident Len Baran (left), who takes taekwondo lessons from Scott Smith (right), will be receiving a black belt, the highest-ranking belt in the sport.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003

Girls Basketball

6 p.m.: NRHS vs. Brunswick (Away)

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2003

Girls Basketball

5:30 p.m.: LRA vs. Western Reserve (Away)

Friday, Feb. 7, 2003

Girls Basketball

5:30 p.m.: LRA vs. Medina Christian

Boys Basketball

6 p.m.: Midpark vs. NRHS (Home)

7 p.m.: LRA vs. Medina Christian (Away)

Saturday, Feb. 8, 2003

Wrestling

10:30 a.m.: PC Tourney at Brunswick

Girls Basketball

6 p.m.: Medina vs. NRHS (Home)

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2003

Girls Basketball

5:30 p.m.: Beaumont vs. LRA (Home)

Boys Basketball

6 p.m.: NRHS vs. Rocky River (Away)

7 p.m.: Horizon Science vs. LRA (Home)

Thursday, Feb. 13, 2003

Girls Basketball

5:30 p.m.: Orange Christian vs. LRA (Home)

Friday, Feb. 14, 2003

Boys Basketball

6 p.m.: NRHS vs. Brunswick (Away)

8 p.m.: LRA vs. Open Door (Away)

Girls Basketball

6:30 p.m.: LRA vs. Open Door (Away)

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"But we just need to get ready to play. We should have won this game. If we would have played two more minutes of better basketball we would have won the game. I'd love to be 8-4, but I'll take 7-5. It's a winning record."

The Royals had a few things working against them as they played their first game in two weeks. Their Jan. 24 game against Cornerstone Christian Academy was cancelled. With students taking exams, the team had just two practices to prepare for the game, but the players and coaches still felt they should have won.

After a very even first half in which the Royals entered the locker room with a 26-23 lead at halftime, Fuchs Mizrachi came out on fire with a 23-4 third quarter run to go up 46-30.

The Royals made things very interesting in the fourth quarter as they played their hearts out and staged an exciting comeback that fell just short. The team was clutch from the free throw line, knocking down 14-of-15 attempts. Freshman Brett Cannaday also hit two crucial three-pointers, his last one pulling them within two at 57-55 with 13 seconds remaining. But the Royals would run out of time and shots after Fuchs Mizrachi hit one free throw to go up 58-55 and seal the win.

Maczuzak (eight points, seven rebounds, one block), Cannaday (eight points, four boards) and Narichania (seven points, two assists, two rebounds) had solid games. Brian Shimko (four points, five rebounds, two assists) and Asad Butt (one point) rounded out the scoring.

"The third quarter hurt us," Cannaday said. "We didn't play as well as we anticipated. But if they can hold their heads up high it's because they came back in the fourth quarter. Our young group is coming together as a team. We're advancing. We're moving in the right direction. This game was a letdown but we just have to learn from it and move on."

Lady Royals stage another comeback

The Lake Ridge Academy girls basketball team staged another fourth quarter comeback to defeat Orange Christian Academy 37-36 last week. The win, which marks the Lady Royals third victory in four games, improves LRA to 6-5. The Lady Royals began the streak with a 33-28 win over Medina Christian Academy in which they staged a late rally to seal the game.

It was very similar at OCA when LRA was down 27-20 in the third quarter. The Lady Royals woke up from a slumber and outscored the Cougars 17-9 to ice the win. With a 35-35 tie and just 11 seconds remaining, Morgan Szulewski-Francis hit two free throws for LRA. After fouling an OCA player with two seconds

left, the Lady Royals escaped with the win as OCA could only convert one of the free throws.

Szulewski-Francis led LRA with 14 points, 14 rebounds, four blocks and two steals. Megan Gardner had 12 points, including eight in the first quarter. She made back-to-back three-pointers on two straight trips down the floor, giving her 13 from long range this season.

Caitlin Whiteman (four points, five assists, six rebounds, six steals), Simone Benoit (three points, five rebounds), Georgia DiOrio (two points, eight rebounds, five steals, three assists) and Lilly Walleck (two points, eight rebounds, three steals, two assists, one block) rounded out the scoring.

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Schroeder finished with 14 points and connected on two three-pointers, Adam Montgomery and Dan Nelson had nine points apiece and Josh Rigby scored eight points.

"I told them we're in a bad stretch but we played really well out there," Rechin said.

"It was nothing like we did at Brecksville. It comes down to the things that separate good teams from the great teams. We made really clutch crunch mistakes at really inopportune times. You can't do that in close games against good teams, especially on the road. When you're in a two-point game all those little things get magnified. I'm feeling a lot better because that Brecksville game really shook us."

Rechin should feel even better as the schedule seems

to work in the Rangers favor for their final five game games, three of which are at home. Three of the five teams (Midpark, Rocky River and Medina) have records below .500. The Rangers, who had a thin bench at Strongsville as Anthony Mayweather (hand) and Andrew Frederick (concussion) were out from injuries suffered at Brecksville, could be back Tuesday (after P&L deadline) for a non-conference matchup with Bay (9-6).

If Ridgeville can defeat Bay, they'll have a good chance of becoming the school's first winning basketball team in 20 years when they host Midpark (2-9, 5-11) on Friday. The Rangers previously beat Midpark 56-40 on the road a month ago.

Next week, the Rangers will travel to Rocky River (4-11) Feb. 11 before their biggest challenge of their final five games at Brunswick (13-3, 8-3) Feb. 14. Ridgeville closes out their regular season schedule at home against Medina (6-8).

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ACADEMIC NOTES

Ashland University

Bianca Blanchette and Matt Marino, both of North Ridgeville, have been named to the Dean's List at Ashland University.

University of Toledo

James Downey, of North Ridgeville, has been named to the Dean's List at the University of Toledo.

Tiffin University

Nancy M. Lamuth and Jennifer A. Johnson, both of North Ridgeville, have been named to the Dean's List at Tiffin University.

Taylor University

Andrea Matetic of North Ridgeville has been named to Dean's List at Taylor University in Ft. Wayne, Ind. She is a sophomore majoring in professional writing.

Matetic is a graduate of Open Door Christian School, Elyria. She is the daughter of Eddie and Lydia

Matetic of North Ridgeville.

Pfeiffer University, N.C.

Ashley Rae Camlin, of North Ridgeville, has been awarded an academic scholarship from Pfeiffer University, N.C. The scholarship was awarded based on Camlin's academic record.

Ohio State University

The following North Ridgeville residents have been named to the honor roll at Ohio State University: Chad Allen, Andrea Boron, Gerald Conroy Jr., Jeffrey Lerch, Rebecca Price, Courtney Szocs, Brandon Thom and Emily Traut.

Lorain County Community College

Christina Neidert, of North Ridgeville, has been named to the Dean's List at Lorain County Community College. Neidert is a 2002 graduate of Lutheran High School West.

Ask Dr. Arndt

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Tue: Steak-um sandwich or sloppy Joe, fries, fruit, milk.

Wed: Salisbury steak w/gravy or breaded pork chop, roll, potatoes, peaches, milk.

North Ridgeville Elementary

Thur: Cheeseburger, peas and carrots, applesauce, milk.

Fri: Chicken patty sandwich, roll, fries, pineapple, milk.

Mon: Pizza, roll, green beans and carrots, applesauce, milk.

Tue: Chicken nuggets, roll, fries, fruit, milk.

Wed: Salisbury steak w/gravy, roll, potatoes, peaches, milk.

St. Peter Catholic School

Thur: Chicken noodle soup w/peanut butter and jelly bar or hamburger, milk.

Fri: Cheese quesadilla or cheese pizza, corn, fruit salad, milk.

Mon: Veal parmesan w/side of pasta or chicken nuggets, green beans, garlic toast, fruit, milk.

Tue: Barbecue chicken sandwich or hotdog, potato salad, baked beans, milk.

Wed: Double cheeseburger or chicken patty sandwich, fries, juice bar, milk.

St. Augustine Honor Roll

The following North Ridgeville residents were named to the Honor Roll at St. Augustine High School.

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MEN'S BREAKFAST, 9 a.m. Senior Center.

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VISITOR'S BUREAU COMMITTEE, 8 a.m., 34845 Lorain Road.

HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 6:30-8 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for anyone who has experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Road, Elyria. Call 934-1482/info.

RECOVERY INC., 7:30 p.m. Self-help for people dealing with fears, phobias, panics and depression. Meets weekly at Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Road, room CC114 (faculty lounge), Elyria. Call Bob MacIntyre at 236-8841/info.

THURSDAY NIGHT CARING AL-ANON, 8 p.m. New Life Church, 38079 Center Ridge Road. Call 366-6913 for more details.

FRIDAY

ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Low cost immunizations at Community Outreach Dept., bldg. #2, Westlake. Sponsored by CSA/St. John Ministries.

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults at the Senior Center multi-purpose room; \$7/class. Call 353-0860/info.

ROTARY CLUB, noon at the Office For Older Adults.

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. St. John West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium A. Call Gloria at 327-9492 or Kay at 960-5384 for more information.

SATURDAY

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing

class for children and adults. Cost is \$7/class. Held in the Senior Center multi-purpose room from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Ongoing Karate class for children and adults. Cost is \$20 for four lessons. Held in the Safetyville Building. Call 353-0860 for more information.

SUNDAY

COUNTRY BREAKFAST, VFW #9871 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Post.

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 9 a.m. St. John West Shore Hospital, bldg. 2, auditorium A. Call Gloria at 327-9492 or Kay at 960-5384 for more information.

MONDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Craft club, quilting, computer classes. Soup for 35 cents. Call 353-0828/info.

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

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP, 7 p.m. Gates Medical Bldg., 125 E. Broad St., Elyria.

BASEBALL-SOFTBALL BOOSTERS, 7 p.m. Parks and rec. office.

VFW #9871 LADIES AUX. 7:30 p.m. at the Post.

TUESDAY

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

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30-11 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class. Cost is \$40/month. Both classes held at the Senior Center multi-purpose room. Call 353-0860 for more details.

TOPS CLUB #656, 7 p.m. North Ridgeville Baptist Church, 5400 Lear Nagle Road.

FOOD ADDICTS ANONYMOUS, 7 p.m. Peace Menonite Church, 9300 West Ridge Road, Elyria. Call Kay at 960-5384 or Gloria at 327-9492/info.

PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m. Council chambers.

VFW 9871 MEN'S CITY COUNCIL, 7:30 p.m. at the Post.

PRE-SCHOOL PTA, 7:30 p.m. Middle school cafeteria.

KIWANIS CLUB, 6:30 p.m. Webster's Place.

WEDNESDAY

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

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

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

WEIGHT WATCHERS, 6-7 p.m. First Congregational Church, 36363 Center Ridge Road. Call (800) 487-4777 for further details.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 7:30 p.m. Old Towne Hall.

BAND BOOSTERS, 7:30 p.m. Middle School Band room.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL LEAGUE, 7:30 p.m. Park and rec. office.

VFW #9871 MEN'S MEETING, 8 p.m. at the Post.

Crafts and storytime at North Ridgeville Branch Library

Valentine craft

Children ages 4 and up can stop in the library Feb. 9-15 to make a Valentine's craft to take home. Materials are provided by the library. For more information call the library at 327-8326.

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Sign up for toddler story time, a free, weekly 20-minute program. The story time will feature songs, stories and finger plays and is open to 2 and a half to 3 and a half-year-olds and their caregivers. Sign up for

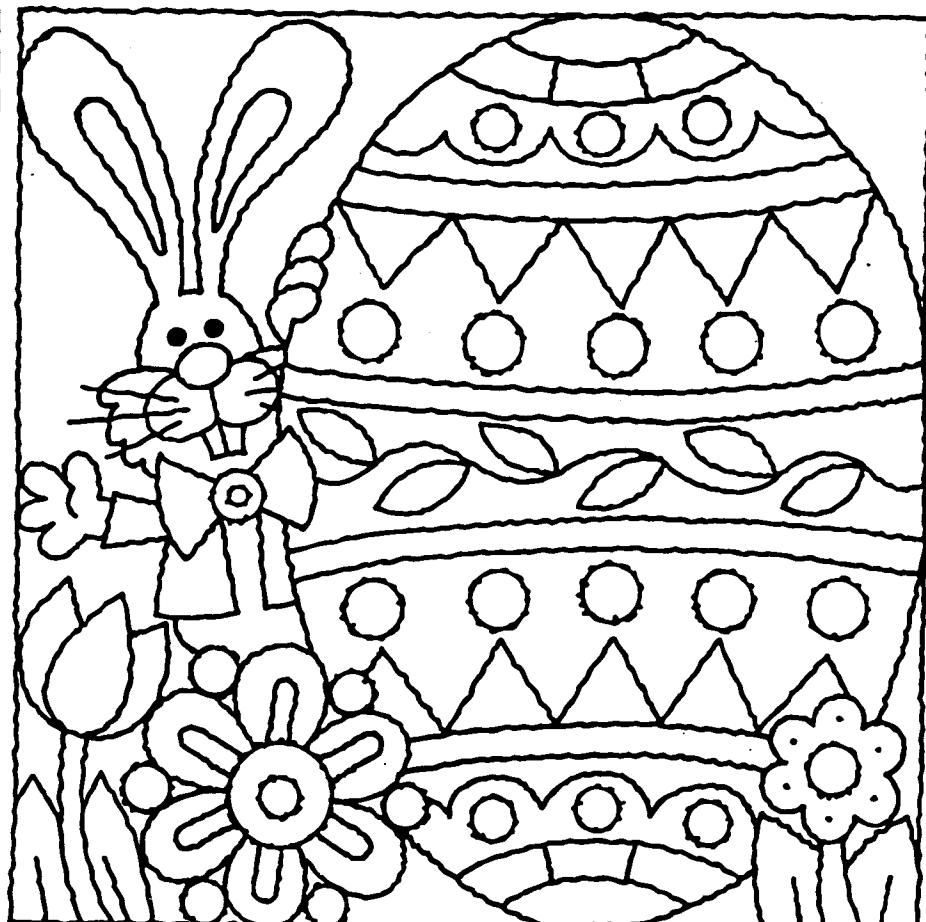
one of the following weekly sessions: Mondays, now-Feb. 24 at 2 p.m.; Thursdays, now-Feb. 27 at 2 p.m.; or Saturdays, now-March 1 at 11 a.m. Registration is limited to 10 adult/child pairs. Pre-registration is required by calling the library at 327-8326.

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LIFESTYLE

Chiropractor offers free care, Feb. 13

As part of a nationwide charitable project, North Ridgeville chiropractor, Dr. Robert Baumbick, will treat anyone who can't afford health care, free of charge on Feb. 13.

Baumbick is a member of Doctors with a Heart (DWAH), a non-profit organization that asks doctors to extend free care to members of their communities in conjunction with Valentine's Day. This 15,000-member group includes dentists, orthopedists, physicians and chiropractors and during regular working hours one day in February, member doctors will provide services at no charge to uninsured and indigent patients.

"I strongly believe in returning something to the community that's been so good to me and my family," Baumbick said. "Using my skills to treat the less fortunate on a day that symbolizes love, will help me pay my debt to North Ridgeville."

Dr. Duane Stemmed, a Cedar Rapids, Iowa dentist started DWAH in 1986. Former President Ronald Reagan commended the organization, calling it "an outstanding example of volunteerism at its best."

Baumbick's office is located at 35410 Center Ridge Road. Office hours on Feb. 13 will be 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call 353-0707 for an appointment or for more information.

Two area landscapers in Home and Garden Show

The gardening and artistic talents of 20 area landscaping professionals will be showcased in the WDOK Celebrity Garden Competition at the National City Cleveland Home and Garden Show, to be held Feb. 8-16 at the I-X Center.

Lifestyle Landscaping North Ridgeville, will present the "Nancy Alden Garden," in honor of the WDOK radio personality. The garden captures the beauty of Ohio's natural areas with pine trees, perennial flowers and a spring house nestled into the hillside. The legacy of Johnny Appleseed lives on in this garden.

Schrauf Landscaping invites visitors to stroll

through the "Wills and Coleman Garden," a tribute to WTAM-AM personalities. The formal Victorian Knot garden evokes a picture of what might have been along Millionaire's Row in the early 1900s. Formality and informality surround the "Queen Ann" style dwelling.

The National City Home and Garden Show, presented by GMC, is a member of the National Home and Garden Show Series. General admission tickets are \$11.50 for adults and \$3.75 for children ages six-12. Children 5 and under are admitted free.

For more information, call (800) 600-0307 or visit www.homeandflower.com.

AROUND LORAIN COUNTY

Genealogical Society meets

The Lorain County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society will meet Feb. 10 at the Oberlin Public Library, 65 S. Main Street, Oberlin. The featured program will be "Preserving Old Photographs" presented by Bill Oliver of Oliver Photography. Refreshments and socializing will begin at 6:30 p.m. The meeting and program will begin at 7 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Red Cross course

The American Red Cross, Lorain County Chapter,

will offer the following health and safety course during February:

Babysitting basics

This babysitting course is designed for young people 11-15 years old and will be offered Feb. 15 and 22 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. each day. The cost of the class is \$35, which includes a textbook and first aid kit.

All classes are held at the Chapter building, 2929 W. River Road N., Elyria. Pre-registration is required. Family and senior discounts are available.

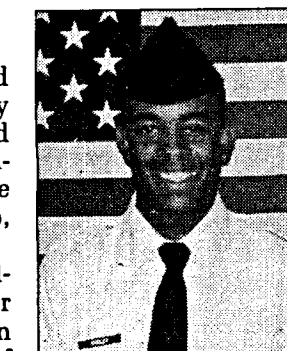
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In The Service

Gregory D. Cooley

Air National Guard Airman 1st class Gregory D. Cooley has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

Cooley is a 2002 graduate of the Greater Cleveland Christian School. He is the son of Sylvia and Robert Cooper of North Ridgeville.



Cooley

AROUND NORTH RIDGEVILLE

Floral classes at Hales Florist

Hales Florist, located at 33699 Center Ridge Road, will begin floral classes Feb. 18. The workshops will be held once a month for the next four months. Owner Jim Hale will demonstrate different floral techniques, which will be followed with participants creating their own floral arrangement. Stop in or call 327-6341 for more information.

Spaghetti dinner

The North Ridgeville Lions Club will host a spaghetti dinner Feb. 21 to benefit the North Ridgeville Branch Library. Proceeds will go toward buying a Low Vision Reader. Dinner will be served from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Senior Center on Bainbridge Road and SR 83. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for children 12 and under. Carry-outs will be available.

For tickets call Andy at 327-9930 or George at 327-6004.

Country breakfast

The Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 9871 in North Ridgeville will hold a country breakfast Feb. 9 from 9 a.m.-noon at the post. The menu will consist of eggs, sausage, hashbrowns, sausage gravy, pancakes, biscuits, coffee, tea and orange juice. Cost is \$4 for senior citizens, \$4.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children 10 and under.

Sandy Ridge Nature Center

Winter survival strategies
The program will begin inside and will head outside to look for wintering critters Feb. 9 from 1-2:30 p.m.

Winter marsh hike

A winter marsh hike will be held Feb. 15 from 1-2:30 p.m.

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Jack Lee Allen

Jack Lee Allen, 68, of Sheffield Lake, died Jan. 24, 2003, at EMH Regional Medical Center, Elyria.

He was born May 7, 1934, in Parkersburg, W.Va. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1955-1958 as a mechanic working on B-36 bomber engines at the Strategic Air Command's Travis Air Force Base, Fairfield, Calif.

After leaving the Air Force, Mr. Allen returned to Cleveland, where he learned carpentry and cabinet making and owned his own business.

He sang in church gospel groups and taught Sunday school.

Survivors include his sons, Michael Allen of Lorain, Dennis Allen of Grafton, Daniel Allen of North Ridgeville, Jonathan Allen and Jamison Allen, both of Elyria, and Marcus Allen of Sheffield Lake; daughters, Karena Santo Domingo of Elyria and Elisabeth Frost of Carlisle Township; and 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Arthur and Eula Allen; and a brother, Delbert Allen.

Arrangements were handled by Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service, Elyria. Services were held Jan. 30 at AMVETS Post 55, Sheffield Lake.

Mary M. Gertz

Mary M. Gertz (nee Marczak), 88, of North Ridgeville, died Jan. 29, 2003, in Lutheran Home, Westlake, following a lengthy illness.

She was born Aug. 30, 1914, in Cleveland where she lived most of her life. She moved to North Ridgeville in 1981, where she lived for 19 years before moving to Westlake three years ago.

Mrs. Gertz enjoyed reading, sewing, embroidery and cooking.

Survivors include her sons, Carl Kessel of Cleveland and Robert Kessel of Bedford Heights; daughters, Patricia Roach and Mary Durst, both of North Ridgeville; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and a sister, Wanda Brody of Lakewood.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Raymond Gertz; parents, Ignatius and Michalina Marczak; a brother Ignatius Marczak; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by David Bogner Family Funeral Home, North Ridgeville. Services were held at St. Peter Cemetery, North Ridgeville.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lutheran Home, 2116 Dover Center Road, Westlake 44145.

Margarette Kerrigan

Margarette "Peggy" Kerrigan (nee McCausland), 78, of Amherst, died Jan. 28, 2003, at EMH Regional Medical Center, Elyria, following complications from surgery.

She was born Dec. 16, 1925, in Telford, Pa. She lived in Pennsylvania until she moved to Sheffield Lake in 1946. She lived in Amherst since 1985.

Mrs. Kerrigan was a member of Amherst

Church of the Nazarene. She formerly was a member of St. Peter Church, Lorain, where she was a eucharistic lay minister, and St. Thomas and St. Teresa churches, both in Sheffield. She was a homemaker, cook, baker and quilter.

Survivors include her daughters, Rosemarie Elkovich of Boise, Idaho, Jacalyn Ortiz of The Colony, Texas, and Geraldine Knox of North Ridgeville; a son, Ralph Koehler Jr. of Dearborn Heights, Mich.; and 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Elwood, in 2001; parents, William D. and Roseanne (nee Dougherty) McCausland; and former husband, Ralph Koehler Sr., in 1984.

Arrangements were handled by Garland-Misencik Funeral Home, Amherst. Services were held Jan. 31 at Amherst Church of the Nazarene, Amherst. Pastor Rich Henry officiated. Burial was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.

Audrey Knowles

Audrey Florence Knowles (nee Smith), 83, of Elyria, died Jan. 26, 2003, at New Life Hospice Center of St. Joseph, Lorain, following a lengthy illness.

She was born in 1919 in Cleveland and lived in Lorain County since she was 6 years old.

She graduated from North Ridgeville High School as valedictorian of the Class of 1937.

Mrs. Knowles was a member of Lake Avenue Church of Christ, Elyria, where she sang in the choir for many years, served on committees and was a member of Division E and Friends Together.

She enjoyed knitting and playing cards.

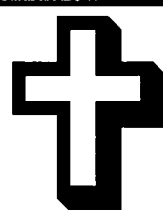
Survivors include her son, David Knowles of Henrietta; and two grandchildren, five nieces and a nephew.

Preceding her in death were her husband, John S. Knowles, in 1989; a brother, LeRoy Smith; sisters, Alice Minnich and Phyllis Zajicek; and her parents, Edward J. and Florence (nee Fretter) Smith.

Arrangements were handled by Busch-Curtis-Scheuffler Family Chapel, Elyria, where services were held Jan. 30. The Rev. Bob Gross, pastor of Lake Avenue Church of Christ, officiated. Burial was in North Ridgeville Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lake Avenue Church of Christ Memorial Fund, 310 Lowell St., Elyria 44035.

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

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

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

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

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

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Hosanna Christian Fellowship, 34889 Lorain Rd., Located on the corner of Lorain & Island Rds. Pastor Jim Neece. Sunday Worship Service 9 & 11 AM; Wednesday Service 7:00 PM; Small Groups - meet throughout the week (for times/locations); Youth Ministry - Wednesdays, Timothy House, ages 3-12, 7:00-8:00 p.m.; H2O (Here To Overcome), ages 12-18, at the Teen M.A.D. Concert Club (Teens Making A Difference), 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Includes free arcade, pool, refreshments and radical truth, God's Word H2O (Here To Overcome) Youth Ministry meets at 6890 Avon Belden Road/NW corner of 83 & Center Ridge. Call (440) 327-7723.

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

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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William T. Linn

William T. Linn, 44, of North Ridgeville, died Jan. 24, 2003 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Survivors include a son, Christopher of Medina; his parents, Donald and JoAnne Linn of Valley City; sisters, Donna Leffel of Medina, Sue Gizzi of Massillon, Kathy McAtter of Strongsville, Debbie Zajac of North Olmsted, Sandi Churby of Lodi and Janet Snyder of Brunswick; and a brother, Philip.

Preceding him in death was a brother, Robert.

Arrangements were handled by Jenkins Funeral Chapel, Westlake, where services were held Jan. 30.

Memorial contributions may be made to William T. Linn Memorial Fund, c/o First Federal of Lakewood Bank, North Ridgeville branch.

Geraldine L. Scheimann-Newton

Geraldine L. Scheimann-Newton (nee Vana), 68, of Lorain, died Jan. 21, 2003, at Community Health Partners Hospital, Lorain, following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Cleveland and was a lifelong Lorain County resident.

Mrs. Scheimann-Newton was retired from Dorn Color Card, Cleveland, and owned Anchor Catering in Lorain. Following retirement, she worked as an office manager at H & R Block, Elyria, for four years.

She enjoyed playing bingo and ceramics.

Survivors include her husband of 16 years, Glenn Scheimann; daughters, Patricia Ellis of North Ridgeville, Peggy Trill of Elyria, Brenda Walsh of North Eaton and Bonnie Arnold of Cleveland; sons, Robert L. of Mt. Holly, N.J., Bill of Elyria, Bradley of Lorain and Scott of Rushsylvania; sisters, Ann Mastny of Gladwin, Mich., Sandra Murphy of Sheffield and Lynn Wehler of Villa Rica, Ga.; and 19 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Preceding her in death were her parents Albert and Laverne (nee Dombrowsky) Vana.

Arrangements were handled by Bauer-Laubenthal Funeral Home, Elyria, where services were held Jan. 24. The Rev. Paul Durbin, pastor of North Eaton Christian Church Disciples, officiated. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park.

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27,673 mi.
WAS \$10,990
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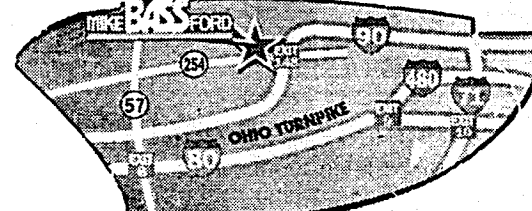
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