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This Week:

Northridge open house

The North Ridgeville Chamber of Commerce will host an "after hours" at The Northridge Health Center, 35900 Westminster Ave., in conjunction with the facility's First Annual Open House on April 20 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. For more information call 327-8511, or the Chamber of Commerce, 327-3737.

Democratic Women's Club

The North Ridgeville Democratic Women's Club meets April 20 at 6:30 p.m. at East of Chicago Pizza on Center Ridge Road. Don't forget your dues of \$6. The club always welcome new members. For more information, call Betty, 327-8960.

Ohio Frogs

Head to Sandy Ridge Wetland Center on Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. for a brief slide show on Ohio frogs, followed by a hike to find the local critters.

In Brief:

NR taxes due

The North Ridgeville Income Tax Department reminds all residents that the due date for filing and paying city income tax is April 30. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The office will also be open on April 29 from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

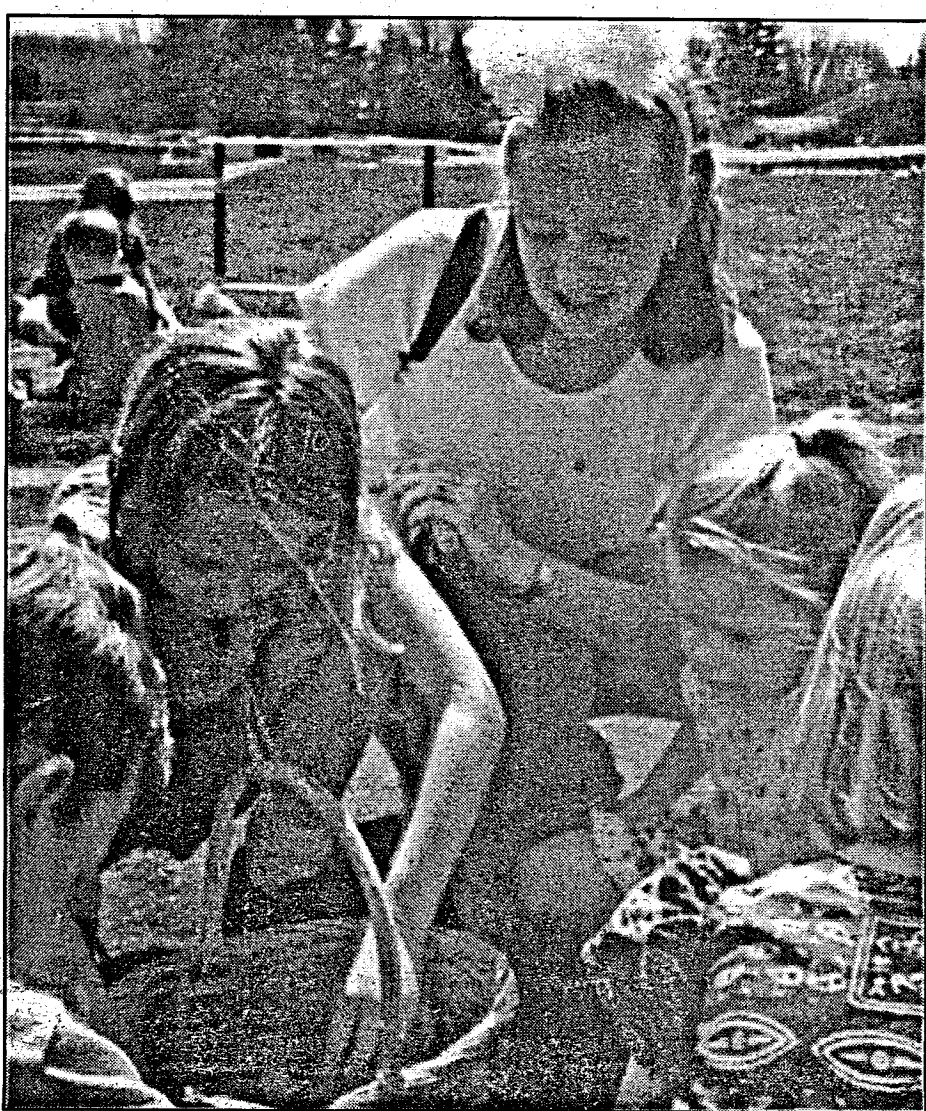
Roadrunners scholarships

The Lorain County Roadrunners Club will award two \$150 scholarships in May, one each to a senior boy and a senior girl in Lorain County. To be considered the student must have a "B" average or higher, have shown leadership qualities, be involved in school activities, be currently participating in track and have been accepted at a college or university. Applications have been sent to athletic directors and coaches. Completed applications must be received by May 1.

Final concert

The final spring concert of the series will be April 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of Fields U.M. Church, 34077 Lorain Rd. The program, Musical Theater to Opera, features Ellie Dehn, soprano; Kevin Moreno, baritone; and Spencer Myer, piano. The trio will perform a variety of vocal selections ranging from musical theater to opera.

The concert is free and open to the public and a free-will offering will be collected.



Rebecca Frith checks out the eggs she gathered during the Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, while Julie Hannar, decked out in bunny ears looks on. Rebecca, 8, was visiting North Ridgeville all the way from England. (P&L Klear)

Two new churches receive blessings

By Carol Klear

Plans for the construction of two new churches received the blessing of the Planning Commission, last week. One congregation is 15 years old, and the other is still to be formed.

William Falk, pastor of Northridge Christian Life Church, presented plans for a new building to be constructed on Avon Belden Road north of Teska's store. Presently church members meet at 35535 Center Ridge Rd. near Dairy Grove.

Falk said the masonry structure will be built on a slab, with no basement, covered by a shingled roof and have 120 seats. Plans include a sanctuary, a classroom, two office and two restrooms, situated on 5.7 acres of land. The cost of construction is approximately \$410,000, said Falk, and completion is expected in September or October.

Following Falk's comments that a septic system would be used, in the absence of sanitary sewers on the property, Planning Commission member Paul Butkowski questioned

the height of the mounded area and suggested that shrubs be planted around the mounds.

Sherry Hicks, who lives at 8936 Avon Belden Rd., across the street from the planned church expressed concerns about the entrance and exit, noting that a car from that area had run through her house in October, causing \$18,000 damage. "I'm concerned about an additional parking lot and more traffic," she said.

Falk said he is considering relocating the entrance farther north, but added that the plan had been approved three years ago.

Chestnut Ridge Road resident Tom Rumancik said he was concerned about flooding if when construction begins the present drainage tile is crushed. Falk invited residents in the area to be on hand when the project's engineer begins staking out the property, and discuss any concerns at that time.

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Priority list compiled for road repairs

By Carol Klear

During its April 12 meeting, Council's Finance Committee agreed to spend \$500,000 to repair nearly a dozen streets throughout the city. Finance Chairman Allen Swindig said the money would be borrowed from the levy revenue and paid back at the rate of \$100,000 per year. Council was expected to support the idea Monday night.

After listing the streets, according to priorities, Mayor Deanna Hill, said the completed work would bring the

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Is Zirzow being replaced as city's SSD

By Carol Klear

North Ridgeville is teeming with that Safety Service Director Dan Zirzow's head is on the administrative chopping block and that he'll be gone by the end of the month, replaced by Democrat Jim Johnson, whose Ward 1 seat will then be filled by Larry Overby, a former councilman.

Last week Mayor Deanna Hill denied that that agenda is in the works, and said she had heard rumors of Zirzow's departure a year ago, and said, he may be looking elsewhere.

"Dan being a young man, he may be looking at other options. When I worked at Sherrod Brown's I was looking," she said.

According to North Ridgeville's City Charter, the safety service director serves at the pleasure of the mayor. Pressed on whether she plans to fire Zirzow, Hill said, "No, not at this time."

When contacted, Zirzow was tight-lipped about the talk that has been swirling for the past couple of weeks, only echoing Hill's remarks that he may be considering other options.

Jim Johnson, who owns North Ridgeville Tire, and is in his second term on Council, confirmed he also has heard talk of a change in the administration's second-in-command, but according to his information, Police Chief Ron Bauer was up for the job, and Johnson was not unhappy at the prospect. "Ron's a hell of a man," he said.

Like Hill, Johnson said he had heard the gossip, a while ago, but stated, "Dan hasn't said a word to me."

Johnson said he isn't always in on what is going on at City Hall, and said he sometimes wishes he were. "We have to work as a team," he said. As to any information about Zirzow's leaving the city's employ, Johnson said, "when there is something to be announced, it will be announced."

Larry Overby also denied knowledge of a possible shift, though admitted he had "heard rumors to the effect." However, he said, "I haven't been approached."

Johnson's speculation that the police chief might take the job seems to fall under the "rumor" heading, as well. Though Bauer was not in his office last week, his secretary said that as far as she knew he has no plans to be Zirzow's replacement.

Martinez wants to change her plea

Tammy Martinez, 41, the North Ridgeville woman accused of attempting to hire a hit man to kill her husband, Ruben Martinez, has told the court she now wants to enter a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity. Martinez had initially pled not guilty.

In December, police videotaped a meeting between Martinez and an undercover police

officer, in which Martinez allegedly offered \$5,000 to have her husband killed. Reportedly she planned to get \$100,000 from a life insurance policy after her husband's death.

Martinez will have to undergo psychological testing if the court allows her to change her plea.

Presently she is in the county jail under \$120,000 bond.

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Liberty celebrates Right-to-Read Week

By Carol Klear

Students at Liberty Elementary School learned that reading can be lots of fun as they devoted five book-filled days celebrating Right-to-Read Week, April 3 to 7.

Special activities were planned by Cheryl Yaniga, library assistant at Liberty and Jeannie Harrison of the school's PTA, and guests were invited to share the excitement.

On Monday, said Yaniga, the 5th grade storytellers presented "Off the Shelf," for the children in grades three, four and five, and the second day of fun included business and professional people from North Ridgeville, who visited the school and spent 15 minutes reading books to specific classes.

Mayor Deanna Hill stopped by the next day and while seated at the public address system in the main office, read "The Giving Tree" to the entire student body. Everyone enjoyed the Mayor's book and when the story ended, applause could be heard throughout the entire building. The Mayor also spent time visiting the classrooms and talking to children and teachers.

Yaniga said her 5th grade storytellers did another skit for the first and second graders on Thursday and the last day of the week, parents took their turn reading to the youngsters. The eight children who make up the storytelling group give up their recess period to practice their plays, but obviously enjoy it, she said.

The entire Right to Read Week took nearly two months to ready, said Yaniga, but the response was "great." The event has been held for at least 13 years, she said, and each year a variety of reading-related events are planned.

To top off this year's fun each child was given five colored circles, and after completing a book of stories or poems, the name of their selection was written on a circle and then attached to one of the walls in the hall.



Juggling a microphone and a book, Mayor Deanna Hill reads a story over the public address system to students at Liberty Elementary School, as part of Right to Read Week activities. (P&L Klear)

As more and more circles were added, said Yaniga, a "book worm" was formed that went all around the building. But soon, said the library assistant, she would take them all down and replace them on the library walls, where they would be transformed into butterflies.

Part 2

Faith of our fathers still is strong in North Ridgeville

By Carol Klear

Fields United Methodist Church is celebrating its 175th anniversary this year with a special celebration Nov. 4.

The church's rich history includes the strength of its people to overcome the ravages of fire and rebuild, but it was in 1962 that the church's trustees purchased property on Lorain Road across from Fields Cemetery. During the 1960s church members used classrooms in Fields Elementary School for Sunday School. Fields eventually was renamed Fields-Sweet School after an active member in the church, Harold Sweet.

Fields' present church, which is situated at the end of a long drive off Lorain Road, was consecrated in 1968, and in celebration, the congregation processed down the road from the former church, (Faith Baptist Temple) to the new structure.

From a handful of members 175 years ago, Fields Methodist has grown to approximately 650 members who participate in a variety of activities and projects, such as the annual "Search for the Christ Child," Thanksgiving Choir Concerts, Sunday School classes, Scout troops and Vacation Bible School. The church is guided by the Rev. C. Michael Gibson, who began his pastorate in June, 1996.

The Catholic community began in the area around 1838, with pioneers initially having to travel to Avon to celebrate Mass at St. Mary or Holy Trinity parishes.

But 125 years ago, in February of 1875, the Cleveland Catholic Diocese established a mission in North Ridgeville and named Rev. Jacob Heidegger its first administrator. Six months later the group obtained property for a church and on Dec. 25, 1875, St. Peter Mission celebrated the first Mass in its new church.

The next year, a school was opened and three years later,

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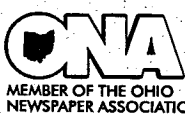
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You better get busy coloring those Easter Eggs

By Carol Klear

HAPPY EASTER.....Remember way back around February and everybody was recuperating from the flu bug and saying, "I'm so glad Easter is late this year." Yeah, yeah. Well, guess what, Bunny Day is coming up real fast. In fact, you've got just three more days to color eggs, bake bread or what, ever you do to make Easter fun.

WHATTA YA THINK?.....The Klear Klan always gathers on Rt. 83 for Easter dinner and the annual Easter Egg Hunt on the back-40, and I am just hopin' that the 'green, green grass of home' will not be hiding some deep, deep puddles and make everybody a muddy mess. We'll see.

AS I WRITE.....On deadline, the sun is shinin'...the grass is green...it's lookin' like a perfect day for the Community Easter Egg Hunt...and I'm hopin' it's a perfect day for the Cleveland Indians. G0-0-0 Tribe!!!!

HERE'S AN IDEA.....After a week of

A letter to Elian: get out while you still can

By Josh Cable

Dear Elian:
You might not know who I am, but I know who you are. We all do.

You see, I've been glued to the nightly news ever since you came into my home a few months ago. You floated into my heart on your little makeshift raft, with the waves crashing and the sharks snapping like newspaper cameras, and you've been there ever since.

I've watched and watched for months now, as the United States and Cuba engaged in a diplomatic tug-of-war, and you Elian, were the tug. I'm not sure if that's a word, but your English isn't too good yet—we'll just say it is.

Recently, though, my pint-sized media darling, I've become gravely concerned about you. You see, I have reason to believe that you should flee this country post haste—that's Latin for "blow this popsicle stand like a bat out of hell." You do speak Latin, right?

Just a little joke there, Elian.
Look, I know that your Miami relatives have been raving about the glamorous life here in the United States, and believe me, it's OK—there are at least 15 different kinds of Teriyaki sauce at the grocery store. The 9-1-1 response times in your neighborhood might not be as fast as they are in the suburbs, but then again, you can watch "ER" here. And don't worry about the public schools—there hasn't been a shooting in at least three weeks.

OK Elian, I'm being a little facetious. Life isn't perfect here in the United States, but there's no place I'd rather be. That's the truth.

I wish I could say the same for you.
You see, Elian, you're a celebrity now. And quite frankly, celebrities—especially Latin-American celebrities—have it rough

Comments by mayor on PCD petition insulting to say the least

To the Editor:

Recent comments by Mayor Hill that most of the people that signed the PCD petition did not know what they were signing is insulting to say the least. This comment infers that over 900 of North Ridgeville's voters are idiots, after all only an idiot would sign something without knowing what it is.

I am also insulted by Mayor Hill's comment that "North Ridgeville's government should make decisions, not residents." Am I to believe that we as taxpayers are to allow our elected officials to do whatever they

Klearly Speaking:

eating baked ham, ham sandwiches, ham omelets, ham and scalloped potatoes...and maybe even 'green eggs and ham,' we'll all be ready for some good old-fashioned spaghetti, so on April 28, head on over to the Senior Center at the corner of Bainbridge and Rt. 83 (whoops, stay away from Bainbridge, it's under construction) for the first spaghetti dinner of the new year, complete with spaghetti, meatballs, garlic toast, salad and beverage. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior and \$4 for children under 10. Yum, yum.

AND THEN.....The very next week on May 3, the NR Historical Society will be hosting its annual Swiss Steak Dinner fundraiser at 6:30 p.m. at the Congregational UCC with Park Ranger Gerard Altoff, presenting "Perry's Victory at the Battle of Lake Erie." Tickets are \$12 each and reservations must be in by April 26. Call 327-8615 or

322-9669 for reservations.

ON THE MOVE.....Cornerstone Academy will be moving to its new location at 624 Dewey Ave., Elyria. The school has been serving the North Ridgeville community for years.

SO'S THE PO.....Did you know the Ridgeville post office is looking for a new home? Yep, according to Post Master Mike Elek, within the next 12 to 18 months, we'll be buying stamps and mailing packages in a bigger and better place. Hooray!!!

IS IT OVER YET?.....The full moon played real havoc with my life the week before its big round face came out. Anything and everything that could go awry...did, including opening a rented video and finding the case contained a flick that was not what the cover had stated. The show was OK, but I had my heart set on a Harrison Ford adventure. Ya know, that Man in the Moon is a real jokester, but I, for one, do not think he's funny.

Just Joshin':

in this country. Just look at Erik Estrada—a.k.a. Frank Poncharrello in TV's "CHiPs". A.K.A. "The 'Where are they now?' posterboy."

This guy faded into obscurity faster than Max Headroom after "CHiPs" went off the air. Do you know what "CHiPs" really stood for?

I don't either. But the point is: it's a jungle out there!

Sure, Ricky Martin seems hot right now. The teenage girls are drooling over this guy like he is the reincarnation of Ricky Ricardo. Only Ricky Ricardo had talent.

But I digress, Elian.

Anyway, give him five years. By that time, his fan base will be 18. They'll be more interested in trying to buy cigarettes with a 500-pound Chinese guy's driver's license than listening to his music. Unless he starts making gangster rap or techno music, this guy will be playing lounge jazz in a Holiday Inn somewhere, living in a motel with a neon sign outside his window and one of the letters blinking incessantly. And a vibrating bed.

If you're still not convinced about what the American cultural stereotypes will do to you, just look at Cheech Marin. This guy's playing the same role that Phillip-Michael Thomas played in "Miami Vice," and Erik Estrada (see above) played in "CHiPs". Throw in Tonto and Shaft and you have one angry bunch of unemployed, typecast minority actors.

Sure, if you were a normal Latino citizen in the United States, this might not apply. You could probably find a humdrum job somewhere in Little Havana and have your 2 and 1/2 kids and your 2 and 1/2 cars and your little house with the white picket fence

and pink flamingos and all the other trimmings that they have there. But you are not. You are Elian.

I know you are young, Elian, but I must forewarn you of the pitfalls of being a celebrity in this country. There are bad people who work for so-called news magazines called "The National Enquirer" and "People" who will put your picture on their covers. You will suddenly find yourself in a love tryst with George Michael, Elton John and Don Rickles and not even know it. You will go through a horrible cocaine / heroine / crack / coffee / alcohol / Hot Pocket / Scented Kleenex addiction and be seen walking into the Betty Ford Clinic, even if you never imbibed any of those substances in your life. Remember, you are a celebrity now.

I know that right now it seems like America is a land of abundant ice cream and impromptu baseball games in the front yard. Indeed it is. But America is also the same place where Menudo once reigned the pop charts. I've enclosed several of their CD's, along with reruns of "Chico and the Man," "Welcome Back Kotter" and the entire canon of Jimmy Smits' work, both TV and film. I think you'll find this all very enlightening.

Wait for your father if you must. But my loving advice for you, young Elian, is to run as far away from this country as you can. I've enclosed a blow-up raft; a woman's wig, dress and makeup for your disguise; and two vials of shark repellent for the ride home. Good luck, and God bless.

This is "The Mysterious Voice in Italics" saying: if you're smart, Elian, you'll learn to play shortstop in a hurry! Until next week, just remember: this column cannot be reproduced, rebroadcast or retransmitted in any way, shape or form without the express written consent of Elian Gonzalez and Major League Baseball!

vision of the future for our town.

This PCD zoning is a perfect example of how some council members and the mayor feel that it is their job to dictate to the residents their perception of what is good for the city. Many of us don't have the same vision for our city. Well, enough is enough. I think the people in this town are finally fed up, and the 900 people who signed the petition are just a fraction of those who want city government given back to the people.

Jeffrey M. Madisen
North Ridgeville

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Letters to the Editor

Thanks for carrying petitions

To the Editor:

I want thank all those who carried petitions to challenge the PCD development in North Ridgeville. It's hard work getting all those signatures in the foul weather we are burdened with at this time of the year and it is much appreciated.

Placing an issue like this on the ballot is a last resort, reserved for issues like this where we find our elected officials working against us.

I urge our elected officials to embrace the democratic process and refrain from comments like those recently made to the press by Mayor Hill and Council Representatives Jean Brown and Jim Johnson. Their claim that signers did not understand what they were signing shows a lack of respect for the intelligence of the people they serve. I know exactly what I signed and I'm sure the great majority of signers also knew.

Assuming the petitions will pass the certification process, I look forward to a full and honest debate of the issue.

Dennis L. Johnson
North Ridgeville

Mayor clarifies PCD

To the Editor:

To clarify some misunderstandings among our residents regarding the Kingston Place Planned Community Development recently passed by Council in a 5-2 vote and the subject of a referendum petition, the following information is presented:

1. The extension of Mills Road was part of a county plan 35 years ago - long before current regulations, development in adjacent

areas and the expansion of Lorain County Community College. In fact, a representative of LCCC voiced opposition to the extension of Mills Road at a recent Council meeting. In a letter presented at a Council session, the Director of Lorain County Community Development explained that the County Thoroughfare Plan was intended to be reviewed annually and updated every five years (which it never was). The County Thoroughfare Plan will be updated beginning during the fourth quarter of 2000.

2. Mills Road has been a matter of contention between the City of North Ridgeville and Avon for decades because it is located in both cities. An extension would require approval by Avon - with residents of Camelot, a PCD, having a road in their front yards and back yards. Camelot Way, parallel to Mills, is planned by Avon as a collector road that will extend between Case and Stoney Ridge.

3. Another road from Stoney Ridge to Case is currently part of the preliminary plan of the PCD. The city is negotiating with the developer to pave part of Case Road, build turning lanes and install a traffic light.

4. A good part of traffic from the proposed PCD will go north to Route 90, rather than to the south and the center of North Ridgeville.

5. The commercial area for walk-to-grocery store, bank or day care facilities is only 5-7 percent (approximately 10 acres) of the PCD. This would further alleviate new residential traffic on Case and/or Stoney Ridge Road.

6. The land has been purchased by the developers and will be developed. The only choice we have as a City is either a house-by-house grid pattern development of 464-533 homes on lots of 90' x 150' or 76 1/2' x 150' or a Planned Community

Development with more than 20% dedicated forever to open green space, lakes, walking trails and wildlife habitat.

7. Planned Community Developments are being built all around us and nationwide - as a method to plan, manage and preserve open space. In fact, the Grand Canyon authority is in the process of building a PCD supported by environmental advocacy organizations. PCD's are also recommended by the Ohio EPA as part of their 20-year updated water quality plan. Loans from the EPA to help finance "open space design developments" are in process.

Although several public meetings were held regarding the particular PCD in question, unfortunately, few attended. In recent days, my office has received several phone calls from residents indicating they had signed the Kingston Place referendum petition, but were unclear as to the intent of the petition and issues. It is my hope this list helps to clarify the matter.

For further information, please feel free to either contact my office at 353-0811 or the Council Chairman of Buildings and Lands, Jim Johnson, at 327-4869. Mr. Johnson has stated he is willing to discuss the matter with individuals or groups of interested parties.

Deanna L. Hill
Mayor of the City of North Ridgeville

Citizens are well-educated

To the Editor:

I was one of a group that circulated a petition in North Ridgeville. The people that the petition was presented to were asked if they were registered voters. If they said yes, we informed them that the petition was to put the issue of allowing PCD's to be

built between Case and Stoney Ridge roads on the ballot, where the citizens would decide the issue, and not city council that had already approved it. They were then given the petition to read and sign if they so desired. Of the 136 people I presented it to, 131 signed. The other circulators were equally well received.

The mayor and the council people who voted to approve the PCDs should have been appreciative of the information that a significant representative portion of the electorate indicated by the overwhelming willingness to sign the petitions that the citizens don't want PCDs built. In light of this information they should change their stance so as to be responsive to the people. Instead, the mayor and those council people chose to make statements to the various press that the petition circulators gave false information to the people. They didn't say what that false information was. I believe we are due an apology or told what it was that was a lie. They also stated that the citizens didn't know what they were signing, that they needed educating and that the city government should make the decisions, not the residents.

Well I have news for the city council and the mayor - you work for the citizens of North Ridgeville, your job is to stay tuned to what the citizens want. They know what is best for them. Contrary to your opinion, they are well-educated and capable of making wise decisions. Let's hope the council and mayor will also make a wise decision and go the route of "If this is what the people want then that is the way it will be." There is no shame in admitting a wrong and then changing course. We all should respect that.

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New auxiliary cop joins the ranks

By Carol Klear

Keith Clapper has always wanted to be a policeman, and on April 7 he took the first step toward that dream, when he was sworn in as an auxiliary policeman with the North Ridgeville Department.

The Grafton resident, who presently drives a delivery truck, credits his wife, Kelly, with seeing a newspaper notice about a new training class for aspiring auxiliary police, and in January Clapper began attending school twice a week, four hours each night.

"It covered everything a regular policeman does," he said, and though Clapper and five other classmates — Lanny H. Grimmett, Paul C. DeMarco, Thomas P. Lear, David R. Myers and Patrolman Gorman — have received their badges, there is still more training required before they are allowed to ride in the police cruisers, including lessons in first aid and using pepper spray.

Clapper, 25, acknowledged that the training was intense, especially for a volunteer post, he was not the least deterred from his goal of becoming a full-fledged police officer. "I've wanted to do it ever since I was a freshman in high school," he said. And recently Clapper went to Avon and took a Civil Service test for that city's police department.

The written test was composed of 200 questions, he said, and moving on to the agility test is contingent on how well he did in the written portion.

When Clapper and the other auxiliary police officers begin riding with the regular police, they will provide back-up support. "If there's a shootout," he said, an auxiliary



Keith Clapper's wife, Kelly pins a badge on the newly-sworn North Ridgeville auxiliary police officer. (P&L: Klear)

would use the shot gun carried in the cruiser. The auxiliary police also provide security at the Corn Festival, traffic control and vacation checks, among other things.

"We're supposed to volunteer four hours a week," said Clapper, "but most of us are going to do 10 or 12 hours." And for this job, there is no pay.

The auxiliary police must also foot the bill for their uniforms, which can add up to something around \$400, and includes items such as pants, shirts, belts and boots. Though the tab seems high, Clapper said that after six months, the city of North Ridgeville provides a \$150 clothing allowance.

Clapper said that initially his wife was hesitant about him becoming a police officer, but she knows that something he's always wanted to do.

"Now she's proud of me," he said.

Obituaries:

DONALD L. PARSONS

Donald L. Parsons, 34, of Westlake, formerly of North Ridgeville, died April 7 at the University Hospitals of Cleveland after a sudden illness.

Born in Cleveland, he lived many years in Elyria. For eight years he lived in North Ridgeville and for the past four months he lived in Westlake.

Mr. Parsons was a 1963 graduate of Elyria High School. For the past nine years he was a truck driver at Kalt Manufacturing in North Ridgeville. He was a veteran and served with the Army in the armored tank division for eight years.

He enjoyed fishing, camping and being outdoors and was an avid sports fan.

Survivors include his wife of one year, Rudine (nee Rolland); stepson Adam Rolland, his parents; two sisters; and a niece.

Funeral services were held at Busch-Bogner Family Chapel, with the Rev. Kevin Kuehmel from the Walk of Faith Fellowship Church in Cleveland officiating.

Burial was in Butternut Ridge Cemetery in Eaton Township.

Memorials may be made to Malachi House, 2810 Clinton Ave., Cleveland 44113.

JOHN D. WILDAUER

John D. Wildauer, 75, of North Ridgeville died April 12 at EMH Regional Medical Center after a short illness.

Born in Reynoldsville, Pa., he lived in Elyria until 1961 and was a resident of North Ridgeville since 1968.

Mr. Wildauer served in the Navy Seabees during World War II.

For 32 years, he was an inspector for Bendix-Westinghouse in Elyria, retiring in 1982.

He was a member of VFW Post 1979 in Elyria and St. Peter Catholic Church in North Ridgeville.

He was an avid golfer and loved fishing, camping, bowling and dancing.

Survivors include his wife of 12 years, Lois (nee Drees, formerly Sloboda); a son, Ronald of Elyria; a stepson, Kenneth Sloboda; stepdaughters, Judith Sloboda, Debra Ozan and Rebecca Cammorata; a granddaughter; three step-grandchildren; a brother; and three sisters.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruth E. (nee Swab); his second wife, Coletta (nee Sittiger); two brothers; a sister; and his parents.

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

Burial was in St. Peter Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 43099 North Ridge Rd., Elyria 44035-1051.

Arrangements were handled by the David Bogner Family Funeral Home.

LORETTA LAXTON-FISHER

Loretta Laxton-Fisher, 42, of North Ridgeville died April 11 at St. John West Shore Hospital in Westlake after a long illness.

Born in Cleveland, she moved from Cleveland to North Ridgeville 23 years ago.

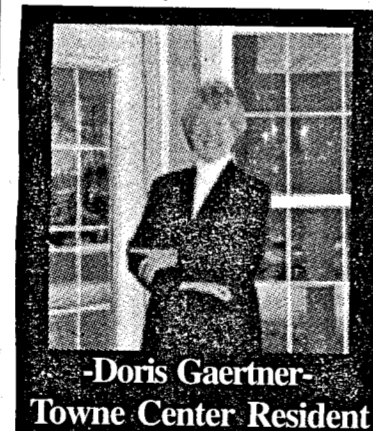
She was a member of Cathedral of Life Church in North Ridgeville. She enjoyed caring for children especially her nieces and nephews.

Survivors include her parents Juanita E. and Robert C. Fisher of North Ridgeville; a brother, Robert C. Fisher Jr. of Elyria; sisters Donna Jo. Hite of North Ridgeville and Vicki Lynn Carte of Elyria; several nieces and nephews a great-niece and two great-nephews.

Services were held at the David Bogner Family Funeral Home with John Helms, pastor of Cathedral of Life Church officiating.

Burial was in Elmhurst Park Cemetery, Avon.

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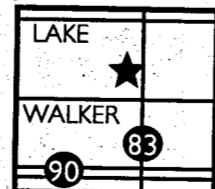
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Police Dept. Reports:

By Mary Swindell

Nobody likes to get bills, but at least they usually aren't a surprise.

But when a Center Ridge Road woman got a bill from AirTouch Cellular phone service in recent days, she was so surprised she was flabbergasted.

This was because she doesn't own a cell phone. Never has.

A representative of AirTouch's Fraud Department told police the company was aware of the fraud and was investigating. She said the local woman would not be held accountable for charges.

The person who apparently opened this and other fraudulent cellphone accounts is a former employee of Network Cellular in Bedford, according to reports. This person had been fired, a representative of Network Cellular told police.

Since AirTouch Cellular is considered the victim, the company was advised to contact Bedford Police if it wants to pursue charges. The company indicated it wouldn't because the amount of money it was defrauded was small.

Child endangering

An apparent drunker driver ran out of gas on Rte. 10 April 7 as he was driving from Akron to Elyria to pick up his paycheck. With him in the car were two boys, 9 and 10, the children of his girlfriend.

An officer on patrol spotted the 36-year-old Akron man's car pulled over on the westbound berm at about 2:15 p.m. As the officer pulled behind him to see what was up, the man was hiking away carrying a gas can.

The man's eyes were bloodshot and glassy, and he exuded an aroma of alcohol, although he denied drinking. He said he

didn't need any help finding a gas station, although he had to admit he didn't know whether there were any nearby. The officer demanded a driver's license. When the man said he didn't have one, the officer put him in the back of his cruiser.

Another officer arrived to take the boys to the station while the first officer drove the suspect. A check through the LEADS computer revealed that the man's license had been suspended indefinitely. He flunked field sobriety tests and was charged with DUI, driving under suspension, and child endangering. He was released under a \$3,000 bond when his father came to pick him and the two boys up.

While being booked, the man alternately was cooperative and surly, at times yelling that he wasn't "that damn drunk," that the next time he'd run somebody over so he'd be arrested on a legitimate charge, and that the court "would never see their money" if he is convicted.

Pistol-packer

While two officers were keeping an eye on the Ridgeview Shopping Center April 9 in the early morning hours, two men came up to them claiming that two men in a car nearby had threatened to kill them with a gun.

When the suspects were ordered out, officers found a fully loaded .22 caliber revolver on the floor of the car. Both had been drinking.

Jamal Walker, 18, of Cleveland Heights, admitted to owning the gun and was charged with carrying a concealed weapon, a fourth-degree felony. He and his 20-year-old friend, also of Cleveland Heights, were charged with underage consumption of alcohol.

Easter Sunday

6:00 am Sunrise Service at Butternut Ridge Cemetery

8:00 a.m. Earl Riser Service

9:30 a.m. Traditional Service with Choir

6:00 p.m. Evening Contemporary Service

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N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. \$40/month. 353-0860/info.
VFW #9871, 6:15 p.m. Ladies Aux. Visit to Brecksville Hospital.
HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for anyone who has experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. 934-1482/info.

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 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. \$7/class. 353-0860/info.
ROTARY CLUB, noon at the Office For Older Adults.

SATURDAY

N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT. 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. 4 p.m.-6 p.m. Ongoing Karate class for children and adults. \$20/4 lessons. Both classes held in the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 353-0860/info.

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ST. JOHN WEST SHORE HOSPITAL, 12:30 p.m.-2 p.m. Free blood pressure screenings. 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Free hearing screenings. Both held at Community Outreach Center, Bldg. #2, Westlake. Sponsored by CSA/St. John Ministries.
WOMEN'S OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL, 6:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m. Wilcox Elem. \$2 per night.
HARVEST LIFE BEREAVEMENT CENTER, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. "Mourning Hearts" support group for parents who have lost a child to death. 6:30 p.m. "Harvest Hope" support group for people who have experienced the death of someone close. 5255 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria 934-1482/info.

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Holy Saturday, April 22

"THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST" by Theodore Dubois

4:00 p.m. The St. Barnabas Sanctuary Choir and the WestSide Community Orchestra and Chorus present this cantata that focuses on the last words of Christ, concluding with the earthquake and His death. Following will be a candlelight service, bringing in the light of Christ and His resurrection.

Easter Day, April 23

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FOOTBALL BOOSTERS CLUB, 7 p.m. High School Cafeteria.

TUESDAY

OFFICE FOR OLDER ADULTS, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Watercolor Classes.
N.R. PARKS & REC. DEPT., 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults. \$7/class. 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Ongoing Body Sculpting class. \$40/month. Both classes held at the Sr. Center Multi-Purpose Room. 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Ongoing Fencing class for children and adults at the Middle School. 353-0860/info.
N.R. LIBRARY, 10:30 a.m. or 1 p.m.
LIONS CLUB, 6:30 p.m. Webster's Restaurant.
SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE AND ATTEMPTED SUICIDE, 7 p.m. EMH Conference Rm. 1, (8th floor).
TOPS CLUB #656, 7 p.m. Fields UM Church, Lorain Rd.
PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m. Council Chamber.

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. Fishing Club. 353-0828/info.
WESTLAKE TOASTMASTERS #497, 12:15 p.m.-1:15 p.m. Webster's Place.
WEIGHT WATCHERS, 6:30 p.m. First Congreg. Church, 36363 Center Ridge.
PARKS AND REC. COMMISSION, 7:30 p.m. Multi-purpose Rm.
VFW #9871, 8 p.m. Men's meeting at the post.
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Bankruptcies:

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00-11589 - Farrand, Craig C. and Farrand, Dreama C., etc., 35157 Center Ridge Rd., Box 81, North Ridgeville, OH 44039. Chapter 7.

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Growing Arts and Antiques Tour keeps getting bigger and better

By Carol Klear

Spring has sprung, as the saying goes, and in North Ridgeville that means it's time for the Growing Arts Tour - and this year, the May 6 event has a new name and lots of new places to visit.

The Growing Arts and Antiques Tour, will include some of North Ridgeville's antique and specialty shops, which are sure to have all kinds of items to enhance the beautiful annuals, perennials, shrubs and trees that you'll find in the garden centers.

The idea for adding the shops to the tour did not come from the antique dealers, said Dayle Noll, executive director of the North Ridgeville Visitors Bureau, "it came from the garden centers," in particular from two North Ridgeville businessmen, Jerry Hansen, owner of Bulk-n-Bushel, and Barry Stumm, owner of Emerald Valley Garden Center.

"They said it seemed a natural progression," said Noll, and would definitely add to the day. Jessie Lawell, the owner of the Blue Barn Interiors & Antiques, agreed and followed up.

"I am so excited about this year's tour which will show off the shops. They're bringing in inventory now," said Noll, which will include special garden tools, wicker furniture and statuary. Some shops also will feature special prices to attract visitors to the daylong fest.

At The Elms, on Center Ridge Rd. there will be potpourri from California, she said, with names like "Pond" and "Stream," as well as all sorts of gifts for the gardeners in your life.

Candy's Weatherlane Antiques across from St. Peter Church will attract visitors to its side-by-side shops, with many items priced at a 30 percent discount.

The Blue Barn on Center Ridge Road next to Bulk-n-Bushel, will have primitives, collectibles and other garden items, as well as many additions to your home furnishings, while North Ridgeville Antique & Collectible Shoppe, on Rt. 20, just west of Rt. 83, will feature an eclectic mix of vintage and contemporary items.

Joining this year's tour is Schulz's Flowerhouse on Lorain Road where Symbol's Greenhouse formerly operated. The business, which is in its third year, is the newest member of the Chamber of Commerce said Noll, and specializes in annuals and vegetables.

The other sites featuring "growing arts" are Don Mould's Plantation, J.P. Diederich Sons, Inc., Garden Village, R. B. Minute Greenhouse and Schrauf Landscaping, along with Worcester's Sales and Service and Bulk-n-Bushel.

Another unique stop at this year's Growing Arts and Antiques Tour is Sandy Ridge Reservation on Otten Road. The latest addition to the Lorain County Metro Parks features a 1.5-mile walking trail, as well as hundreds of plants and lots of animal creatures. Wildlife artist Dave Wenzel will exhibit his work in the Perry F. Johnson Wetland Center and naturalist, Tim Fairweather will be on hand to answer any questions.

There will lots going on at Butternut Corners Plaza, 34837-34885 Lorain Rd., beginning at 9 a.m. when members of the North Ridgeville Garden Club offer plantings from their own gardens for sale until 12 noon. A little tip to first-timers, you'd better get there early because it's always a popular shopping site.

Author, Sandra McLean Cutler, will have a book signing of her new work, "Dwarf and Unusual Conifers Coming of Age - A guide to Mature Garden Conifers," from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and OSU extension agent Fran Blank will be on hand to answer your gardening questions, as well.

To learn a little more about North Ridgeville, stop in at the Visitors Bureau office, located in the plaza, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. during the Growing Arts and Antiques Tour, and pick up some brochures and souvenirs.

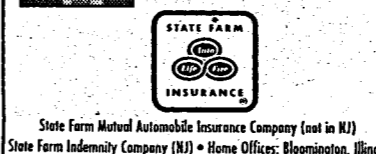


Mary Miller and Patti Johnson, employees of The Blue Barn, show off a few of the antique garden tools, flower pots, bird feeders and baskets that will be available during the May 6 Growing Arts and Antiques Tour. (P&L Klear)

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Northridge Health Center hosts open house

By Carol Klear

It's spring and The Northridge Health Center will swing open the doors of its skilled nursing facility for the first annual open house, April 20 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Northridge Health Center (formerly Altercare), 35990 Westminister Ave. is under new management and is celebrating a new name and a beautifully redecorated facility.

The center is managed by John O'Neill and under the leadership of administrator, Nicole Howard.

"We are proud of the local management and local administration," said Howard.

"We have made a lot of positive changes in staffing, as well as the interior," she said, adding that through the open house The Northridge Health Center demonstrates its desire to be "integrated into the community."

Howard said the facility is more closely "partnered" with the adjacent Northridge residential retirement apartments, which offers residents the opportunity for short-term stays for rehabilitation. Temporary rehab is also offered for post-surgical stays, as well, she said. Therapy services include



The Northridge Health Center is ready for Thursday's open house. Some of the people who are waiting to greet visitors are, from left, John O'Neill, who manages the facility, Tammy Sibert, admissions director and Nicole Howard, administrator. (P&L Klear)

physical, occupational and speech therapies.

The Northridge Health Center has 120 employees, said Howard, which includes

nursing staff, dietary, housekeeping, kitchen and management.

The Northridge Health Center staff will be waiting to welcome you on April 20.

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Another church is being planned for North Ridgeville, but will be part of the overall project of Cottages at Savannah housing units specifically for persons 55 and over.

Christ's Chapel, as it will be called, will be 12,000 square feet and constructed on two-plus acres of land, said developer Maurice Shave. It will be located near Center Ridge Road, with the sanctuary facing Center Ridge. Fellowship Hall will be at the rear of the structure. The building will follow the Western Reserve design, he said. The height of the steeple is still to be determined, said Shave.

Chief Building Inspector Guy Fursdor said that the proposed project calls for a 75-foot high steeple, which may require Shave applying to the Zoning Board for a variance.

There will be a swale between the cemetery and the western property line, said Shave. "The drainage has been well thought out," he said. The sanitary sewer will drain to the lift station that ends at the BP Station at Rtes. 83 and 20.

A garden area will welcome people along the walking path in front of the church, said Shave. He explained that seniors have a special need for fellowship and a church of this type, plans call for providing activities for those who visit the church.

Construction is expected to begin in approximately a month, he said.

Roads from pg. 1

funding "down to zero."

Hill said deciding which streets to restore this year, was based on safety concerns, traffic and the condition of the streets and was based on the expertise of City Engineer Stewart Lovece, Safety Service Director Dan Zirzow, Service Department Supervisor Jerry Krueger and herself.

The streets to be done this year are Stoney Ridge Road, Wallace Boulevard Davis Drive, Clark and Patton, pads on Ronald and Joseph, as well as the cul-de-sacs, Shady Moss Drive, Poplar, Hadaway Hickory Trail and Handyside.

Employees in the Service Department will be doing much of the work, said Hill which means the city "will be saving a lot of money by using our own employees."

Bernadine Butkowski, R at-large asked about repairing streets in her area, such as Noll, which she noted is in poor shape. Krueger said that if there were time and money left, they might "hit the area."

Asphalt is higher than expected this year said Krueger, but Chairman Al Swindig, D. 2, said that if the price of oil comes down at expected, perhaps there will be some relief in the price.

"If it goes down," said Lovece, "the asphalt industry will lag, and if prices are down, may be can be re-bid."

Deputy Auditor Donna Kiraly said, "If prices go down, they'll give you a break."

Krueger said that some streets may have to wait until next year for repairs. Swindig said, "We did Olive last year, we'll do Wallace this year and Cornell, next year."

"If we had the money, I'd love to do a couple of cross streets," said Krueger.

Swindig added, "I don't want the little side streets forgotten."

Krueger reminded the committee that the service department has other work to do. "We have a big schedule," he said, "I'm not giving up doing ditches, I can't put everyone on streets."

He also said that Center Ridge Road needs work, but with the Bainbridge Road project underway, Center Ridge is heavily traveled. However, he said, Case and Barret are the worst roads in the city.

"We're doing the best we can," said Hill. "The last levy they took all the money...we're spread too thin. We have to draw the line, someplace," said Kiraly.

BUSINESS REVIEW 2000

Hair System & Tanning Salon now offers finest in nail care

Hair Systems & Tanning Salon, 34887 Lorain Rd., North Ridgeville, has a new and exciting service to offer its clients in the person of Faye Handrosh.

Faye is the nail technician who can be found in the salon, which is in a shopping center at Island Road, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We're so proud to have Faye as part of our team," says co-owner Robin Cipullo. Her partner is her mom, Mary Jane Fisher.

"We wanted to be a full-service salon because many of our customers like to have their nails done when they have their hair done."

Faye and her husband, Gary, raise show cattle, soybeans, corn, oats and wheat on a farm in Penfield Township.

Faye is enthusiastic about nails and nail care, and has a wealth of knowledge about both.

Almost any woman can have attractive fingernails, whether real or acrylic, she says. What about the gal whose uncooperative nails break or curve under?

The answer to that problem is to soak the nails in a vitamin E wash.

"When you put natural nails in water, they expand and contract. Vitamin E takes the curve out of a nail. The curve is why it bends and cracks," said Faye as she was giving Robin a French manicure.

A French manicure involves highlighting the free edge of the nail in white and covering the entire nail with a light natural pink polish.

Artificial fingernails have been around since at least the 18th century when Chi-



Robin Cipullo gets a French manicure from Faye Handrosh while her mom, Mary Jane Fisher, looks on. Faye is the new nail tech at Hair Systems & Tanning Salon, which Robin and her mom, Mary Jane Fisher, own.

nese and Japanese aristocrats extended their nails with compounds that included gold and silver.

Today's tough acrylics are basically a byproduct of gasoline and propane production. Faye herself wears them.

"I've never had strong nails. Anybody who starts out with soft nails will end up with soft nails."

Acrylics sometimes get a bad press because of unscrupulous or poorly trained nail techs, says Faye.

"Acrylic doesn't let the nail breathe. It

seals the nail off from oxygen. This is not dangerous if you have it done right and keep up proper maintenance."

Some salons use an illegal substance called methyl methacrylate which can leave nails with the "green meanies," or fungus, or actually eat the nail plate.

"A lot of places use it because it's cheap. A sign to watch for is, if you go in and you see a lot of drills and no hand files, you should walk right back out. Methyl methacrylate hardens so fast and so much that they have to use drills to shape the nail. They

can't use files," said Faye.

Those with acrylic nails should go back to the nail tech every two or three weeks to have them filed and filled so there's no gap between the nail and cuticle, Faye said.

Faye also does pedicures which, like tans become popular as warm weather arrives.

Salon customers pay \$45 for a full set of acrylics and \$25 for maintenance, or \$15 for a natural nail manicure and \$20 for a Vitamin E soak. A pedicure is \$25.

Hair Systems & Tanning Salon provides its customers a full range of services, including perms, haircuts, highlights, eyebrow, waxing and tanning. The salon has a Sunvision Pro 28LX Wolff Systems tanning bed.

Hair Systems & Tanning Salon opened last August and has been attracting an increasing number of clients.

"I think people are realizing the quality and scope of our professional services," said Robin.

To welcome spring, the salon is offering \$3 off on all services in April and May.

Robin and Mary Jane point out the variety of hair care products, including shampoos and conditioners by such well-known names as Biologie, Iso and Artec. Major credit cards are accepted.

"We like to say that we're a cut above the rest," said Robin with a smile.

Business hours are 1 to 8 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The salon's phone number is 440-353-0084. You can find out more about Hair Systems & Tanning Salon on its website at www.angelfire.com/ia/hairsystems/.

JVS student passes grueling exam, earns American Welding certificate

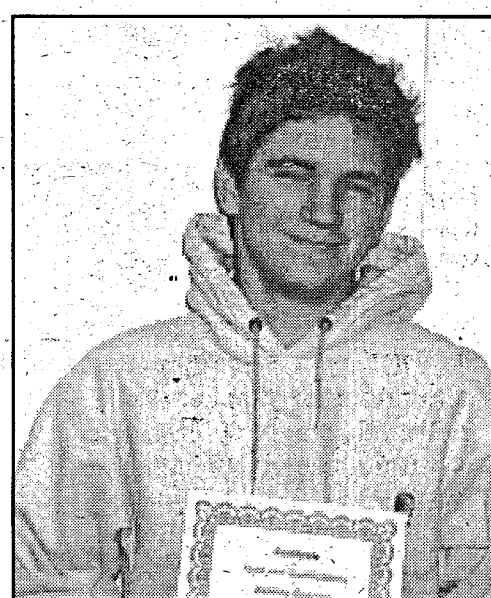
North Ridgeville resident George Tiller, a junior at Lorain County Joint Vocational School in the Welding and Fabrication Program recently passed a grueling three-hour exam and earned the American Welding Society Groove Certification.

To pass the test, George and six other students performed 16 individual welds in vertical-up and overhead positions, and are now certified welders. George said the exam was administered at the school and then shipped to Brook Park to Total Quality Test Labs Inc.

George admitted that the class is difficult, but he is able to practice what he learns at Retay's Welding Co. on Race Road, where he began working last month.

To do the work, the welders must don protective gear, said George, such as a face shield and leather gloves.

With the certification under his belt, in his senior year George said he will be taking more advanced courses, and hone his trade for the time after he graduates.



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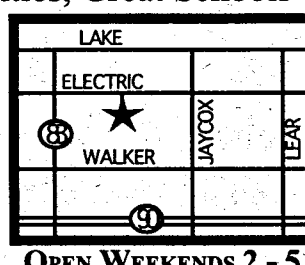
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Post office looking for new home

By Carol Klear

It may not be a brand new, built-from-scratch structure, but by 2001 North Ridgeville will have a bigger and better post office. That was the promise made by V. Robert Glogore, manager of administrative services for the United States Postal Service, during a public meeting Monday night.

At approximately 7,000 square feet, the North Ridgeville branch "is greatly undersized. We need twice as much space," he said. The proposed plan would expand the local branch to 17,000 square feet.

Postal service in America dates back to the 1600s; and was initiated to deliver messages. Over the years the postal department evolved into a branch of the government and from 1829 to 1971 the postmaster general held a post in the President's cabinet.

Victor Dubina, communications programs specialist with the Postal Service said that in 1970 the United States Postal Service was reorganized, and now "operates as a business," and since 1982, he said the service receives no tax dollars.

Glogore said he and several other post office officials are hoping to gain input from the city and citizens on the type of facility needed.

Though Glogore is looking ahead to providing an

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nash

Streidt, Nash tie the knot

Cora Daniela Streidt, daughter of Peter and Angelika Streidt of Old Greenwich, CN and Thomas Patrick Nash, son of Robert and Louise Nash of North Ridgeville were united in marriage at the Foss Park Chapel, Indian Hills, CO on Aug. 14, with Dr. Joseph Woodson officiating. A garden reception followed at Foss Park Lodge.

The bride wore a gown redesigned with the bodice made from fabric of her mother's wedding gown.

The maid of honor was Tanja Streidt, Denver, sister of the bride. The best man was Scott Cieslewicz of North Olmsted and Denver, long time friend of the groom. The wedding was attended by high school and college friends of the bride and groom in addition to family and friends from Ohio, Connecticut, New Jersey and Germany.

The bride graduated from Greenwich High School in 1989 and the University of Southern Connecticut in 1993 with a BS in education. She is a special education teacher in the Cherry Creek School District and also attends the University of Colorado, pursuing a masters degree in special education.

The groom graduated from North Olmsted High School in 1989 and Ohio University in 1994 with a degree in communications systems management. He is currently employed as a consultant/test engineer for Tanning Technology, Denver.

The couple honeymooned in Costa Rica and now reside in Denver.

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

Church of Christ, 36350 Chestnut Ridge Rd. Dennis Adams, 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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You can see the Ranger truck for the very first time at 10 a.m., May 6 at Bulk-n-Bushel on Center Ridge Road, during the Growing Arts and Antique Tour. As spirit for the Rangers grows, it's great to have the premier showing of the Ranger truck at the annual tour.

From its first stop at Bulk-n-Bushel the Ranger truck will move to the Corner Store where it will on display from May 7 to May 13, and from May 15 to May 20, the Ranger will be at Ron's Barbershop.

As May winds down the truck will be parked, where else, but at the home of the Rangers, North Ridgeville High School.

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expanded site for mail transactions by next year, he cautioned the audience that to date no funds have been allocated for the project. "My office puts together the financial numbers," he said, adding that money for capital projects is disbursed among regions. Ohio is part of the Allegheny region, he said, which also includes Pennsylvania, south New Jersey and parts of Delaware. Among the 5,000 facilities in the region, there are other facilities that are worse off than North Ridgeville's cramped quarters, he said.

"We're looking for lease property," said Glogore.

For the next two weeks he hopes to get feedback from the community, then a real estate consultant will be hired. "We'll work with officials and see what areas are available," he said.

St. Peter's from pg. 3

the community of St. Peter reached parochial status, with Father Victor Haussner named the first pastor.

The parish purchased the former North Ridgeville Village Hall, and created a school in which children were educated by the Sisters of St. Francis from Tiffin, but in 1893 the Dominicans left and until 1911 when the Sisters of Notre Dame took over, students were taught by lay teachers.

Though a fire took St. Peter's Church in 1914, a new facility was constructed and was dedicated May 27, 1923. The rectory was built two years later.

Today, more than 1,500 families make up the St. Peter family, that boasts a school from K through 8, a large gym (Kitt Hall) that seems always in use, and many active organizations, under the guidance of the Rev. Thomas Hyland.

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Show your Ranger spirit.

Sport Shorts:

Openings in girls softball

The North Ridgeville teams of the Ohio Girls Softball Organization has immediate opening in its 13- and 14-year-old division. This league plays teams from other communities in Lorain and Medina counties using high school (fastpitch) rules. For further information call 327-2527. Information on registration dates for the 15-year-old and over division is also available. This league is often called the Hot Stove League.

On Target

On Target's head coach Tom Nagy took 1st place in men's foil at the Northern Ohio Sectional Cup Tournament at Kent State University, April 1. Nagy also won the gold medal in men's sabre, defeating his three opponents.



St. Peter Catholic Church

North Ridgeville churches gear up for Holy Week

This week Christians commemorate in a special way the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. Some North Ridgeville churches are holding services in remembrance of that time in the life of Jesus.

Calvary Baptist Church, 114 Hope Ct., Elyria

Good Friday Service - 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday - 7 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service with breakfast following; 11 a.m. Easter Cantata, "Rise Again"

Calvary Ridge Church of the Nazarene, 34881 Center Ridge Rd.

Good Friday Service - 7 p.m.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service - 7 a.m.

Easter Service - 10:45 a.m.

Fields United Methodist Church, 34077 Lorain Rd.

Maundy Thursday - 7:30 p.m. worship service

Good Friday - 8 a.m. and 12 to 1 p.m., communion in sanctuary; 7:30 p.m., joint worship service with First Congregational Church at Fields

Easter Sunday - 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ, 36363 Center Ridge Rd.

Maundy Thursday - 6:30 p.m., potluck dinner; 7:30 p.m., worship

Good Friday - 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday - 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at South Central Park

Harvest Ridge Assembly of God, 35600 Lorain Rd.

Good Friday - 7 p.m. with communion

Easter Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

Northridge Christian Life Church, 35535 Center Ridge Rd.

Easter Sunday - 10 a.m.

St. Julie Billiard Catholic Church, 5500 Lear Nagle Rd.

Holy Thursday - 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday - 12 noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. Stations of the Cross; Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday - 12 noon, blessing of the food in the chapel; 8:30 p.m., Mass

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Easter Sunday - 6 a.m., 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. (church and gym), 12:30 p.m. Mass

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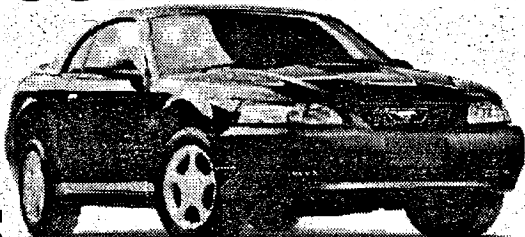
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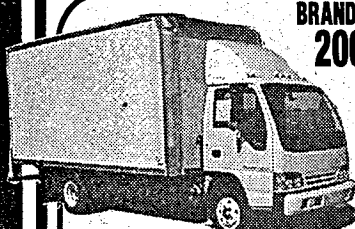
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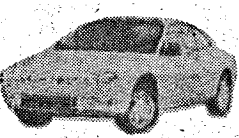
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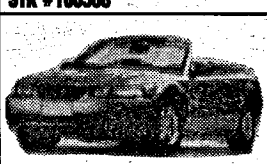
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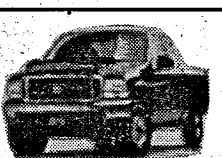


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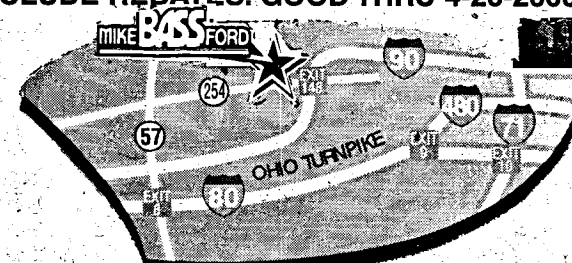
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