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Robert Gregory Clark, 79



CANFIELD - There will be services at 11 a.m. Friday at Paradise United Methodist Church for Robert Gregory Clark, 79, a beloved and loyal brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend, who peacefully departed this earth on Saturday, Dec. 24.

He was born May 21,1926 in Niles, the son of William E. and Ethel B. (Martin) Clark.

He was a graduate of Niles McKinley High School class of 1947 and a Pharmacist's Mate in the U.S. Navv in the European Theater during WWII. He attended Youngstown State

University, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in Education and ultimately obtaining a Master's of Arts Degree in English Literature from Kent State University (Alpha Phi Omega).

Bob spent 30 years in the teaching profession in the Austintown, Vienna and Niles schools systems. The majority of his teaching career was within the Niles Public School system, where he taught English and journalism and was administrator of the Occupational Work Experience Program (OWE). After retiring from teaching, Bob held jobs with Gordon Brothers, Armstrong Cable and Agency Real Estate.

He was a member of Argus Lodge No. 545 F.&A.M., a Prophet of the Aut Mori Grotto's Clown Unit, affectionately known as "Stoney The Clown," the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Youngstown, Ruth Shrine No. 64, the Greater Youngstown Track and Field Officials Association, the Youngstown/Columbiana Association of Realtors, American Legion Post No. 177 and attended Paradise United Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Laura (Spencer-VanBrocklin); three sons, Anthony and wife Nancy (Keene) of Ephrata, Pa., Robert and wife Tracy (Seifert) of Central Lakes, Mich., and John VanBrocklin of Youngstown: a daughter, Jacklyn R. (Van Brocklin) Bertolini of Austintown: four grandchildren, Travis Clark, Stephanie VanBrocklin, and Jessica and Ralph Bertolini; and a great-grandchild James VanBrocklin. He is also survived by his sister Ethel (Clark) Jullian of Niles. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother William E. Clark, Jr. of Liberty; and twin sister, Phyllis J. (Clark-Lincoln) Fry of Mineral Ridge.

William G. "Metz" Metzenroth, 77

WARREN – William G. "Metz" Metzenroth, 77, of Mahoning Avenue N.W., died at 4:30 a.m. Monday at Forum Health Trumbull Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He was born Jan. 13, 1928 in Warren, the son of William J. and Georgia (Matthews) Metzenroth. Mr. Metzenroth was owner/operator of Warren Harley-Davidson Sales Inc. since 1969. He was also a foreman in the 21" mill at Copperweld Steel for 33 years, retiring in 1982.

He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the Warren Harley Owners Group and the Warren Buckaroos Motorcycle Club. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle, NASCAR and was an avid fan of the Miami Dolphins.

He is survived by his wife, the former Doris N. Brown, whom he married June 23, 1950; his daughters, Pamela (Frank) Schaffer and Paula Montgomery and companion Rick Nolan, all of Champion; and his grandchildren, Corey Metzenroth, Joseph "Jake" Schaffer and Scott Montgomery.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Roberts-Clark Chapel, where there will be funeral services at 11 a.m. Friday.

Burial will be at Pineview Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's preferred charity. 12-28-05

John Keith "Johnny" Warrington, 32

YOUNGWOOD, PA. – John Keith "Johnny" Warrington, 32, died Saturday as a result of injuries sustained in an auto accident.

He was born Jan. 29, 1973 in Youngstown, a son of Margaret (Huffman) Turnauckas of Greensburg and Ronald Warrington of Youngstown

In addition to his parents, Johnny is survived by his wife, Joy (Campbell) Warrington of Youngwood; three sons, Dray Campbell and Dylan Warrington both of Youngwood, and Jacob Ruman of Niles; five brothers and sisters, Brian (Jennifer) Warrington of Smithton, Anita (Anthony) Cupo of Sarasota, Fla., Shana Mounsey of Irwin, Cassie Warrington and Andrew Warrington, both of Youngstown; stepfather, John (Debbie) Mounsey of Girard; stepmother, Bonnie Warrington of Youngstown;

George Henry Dietz, M.D., 77



BOARDMAN - There will be services at 9:45 a.m. Friday at the Higgins-Reardon Funeral Home, Board-

man-Canfield Chapel and at 10:30 a.m. at St. Dominic Church for George Henry Dietz, M.D., 77, who passed away Christmas day at Forum Health Northside Medical Center surrounded by his family, after courageously fighting a short illness.

Dr. Dietz was born July 18, 1928 in New York, N.Y., the son of Henry Jacob and Lucy Dietz.

He graduated summa cum laude (General Excellence Medal-First in Class) from Iona Preparatory School in New Rochelle, N.Y. in 1946. He received a Bachelor of Science in 1950 from Manhattan College in New York, N.Y. on a full academic scholarship, where he received the Biology Medal (next in Merit) and was inducted into the Epsilon Sigma Pi Honor Fraternity. He then received his Doctorate of Medicine in 1954 from State University of New York, College of Medicine, Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, N.Y., also a full four-year academic scholarship, where he received the Mosby Scholarship Book Award for scholastic excellence and was inducted into the Alpha Omega Alpha National Honor Medical Society.

Dr. Dietz immediately completed his general surgery internship at The New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center in New York City, where he then also completed his two year residency in general surgery.

He completed his residency training in plastic surgery at the Bronx Veterans Administration in Bronx, N.Y. and at The New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center in 1961.

Dr. Dietz was commissioned as a Lt. jg. with the U.S. Naval Reserve, Medical Corps on Jan. 26, 1953. He served active duty with the U.S. Navy as a Lieutenant from July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1957, during which time he crossed the Atlantic Ocean 48 time on the U.S.N.S. General Simon B. Buckner. He received a Letter of Commendation, Commanding Officer and honorably discharged on Nov. 23, 1966 after serving inactive reserve since July 1, 1957.

On Feb. 7, 1959, he married the former Carolynn Irene Beard at St. Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church in Manhattan. He moved from New York City in 1962 to Youngstown to enter private practice where he limited his practice to plastic and reconstructive surgery. Dr. Dietz was certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery and retired from the full time practice on Feb. 28, 1993. He was recently honored by the Ohio State Medical Association for his 50-years in medicine. He was very active with his professional affiliations. He was president of the Mahoning County Medical Society in 1978 and served as its secretary from 1972 to 1976. In 1985, he was also the president of the Ohio Valley Society for Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, and served as its vice-president, secretary and treasurer. He was elected to serve on the Board of Governors for the International Society of Clinical Plastic Surgeons, where he also held offices of Treasurer and Membership Chairman

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He was also a member of various social organizations including the Ohio Historical Society, Friends of Old Sturbridge Village, The Chesterton Club, the Butler Institute of American Art, Youngstown Club, Youngstown Country Club, American Legion, Youngstown Maennerchor, and the Knights of Columbus where he was a Third Degree Knight of the St. Dominic Bishop Fenwick Council 13586 and a Fourth Degree Knight of the Bishop Malone Assembly 826. He was also a member of St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

He loved to travel with his wife, which included visits to every single state in the U.S., a trip around the world to celebrate their 25th anniversary, a multitude of countries on five continents and yearly trips to his favorite city, London. He was a gourmet cook and avid reader.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Susan Dietz and Carrie Dietz, both of Columbus; five sons, George Dietz Jr. and Peter Dietz, both of Columbus, Dr. Andrew (Betsy) Dietz of Marlton, N.J., Atty. James (Denise) Dietz of Canfield, and Christopher Dietz of North Olmsted; and three grandchildren, James Dietz Jr, Luke Dietz and Fiona Carolynn Dietz.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Atty. Robert Michael Dietz. Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m.

and 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

This obituary may be viewed and condolences sent at www.higginsreardon.com



Theresa C. Butler, 53 AUSTINTOWN – There will be

services Friday at 9:15 a.m. at the Clemente Funeral Home in Struthers and at 10 a.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church for Theresa C. Butler, 53, who died Tuesday morning at Shepherd of the Valley in Boardman.

Theresa was born July 19, 1952 in Youngstown, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine Mihaly, and was a lifelong area resident.

She was a licensed mortgage broker and had been an assistant vice president for Household Financial International Corp. She had most recently worked for Pinnacle Equity Corp. in Boardman. At her job, she was known as a diligent worker who got the job done!

She was a member of the Ohio Mortgage Broker's Association and Little Sisters of the Golden Heart. She was a member of the church.

She leaves her husband John Butler Sr.; two children, to whom she was a loving and devoted mother, a son, John Jr, of Youngstown, and a daughter, Kathleen, who is at-

Suspect's bond set at \$2M for charges involving slayings

A judge found the man accused of two murders is

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unable to hire a lawyer.

JEFFERSON – A 32-year-old man charged with the Christmas night murders of his estranged wife and her friend has been ordered held without bond.

John Marsh, of 6785 Slater Road. is in the Ashtabula County Jail on a \$2 million bond set Tuesday by Judge Robert S. Wynn of the county's Eastern District Court.

Judge Wynn found Marsh indigent; thus he will receive a court-appointed attorney.

He faces two counts of aggravated murder and one count each of aggravated burglary and aggravated

kidnapping. Marsh is accused of the shooting deaths of Jennifer Marsh, 30, and her friend David Beach, 32, at their Williamson Township home at 7251 Bailey Road on Sunday night.

John Marsh does not live far from the scene of the murders.

Jennifer Marsh and Beach were each shot several times, according to the Ashtabula County Coroner's Of-

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Richard Mongell, coroner's chief investigator, said a handgun used in the slayings was retrieved from John Marsh's home.

Family's situation

Jennifer Marsh rented the house Dec. 1, Mongell said.

The Marshes have three children; 7-year-old Katlyn, and 4-year-old Lucas were at the Bailey Road home with their mother and Beach during the killings.

The daughter called 911 to report the shooting. Authorities said Marsh took Lucas with him, but the child was later found unharmed in his father's home.

A second son, Kurtis, 12, was not at home during the shooting. He was with relatives.

Jennifer Marsh's father, Charles Mercer, told The Associated Press that his daughter filed for divorce in September. She accused her husband of domestic violence and obtained a protection order for him to stay away from her.

"There were threats but not much we could do," Mercer said.

The Mercers are seeking custody of their three grandchildren.

Police chief cut costs, hopes to buy cruiser

Reduction of overtime helped police stay within a \$315,000 budget.

By NANCY TULLIS VINDICATOR STAFF WRITER

LEETONIA – After about three years of penny-pinching, police Chief John Soldano hopes his 2006 budget will include money for a new cruiser.

Soldano said the department has not bought a new cruiser for about four years. He said he decided to ask for one for 2006 because the department was on a more firm financial footing in 2005 than in the three

years preceding. The police budget comes directly from the general fund. There is no police levy in place. Soldano said he is hesitant to ask village residents for a police levy because many residents are elderly on fixed incomes.

Cutting costs

Keeping within a tight budget the past few years has meant not only There have been no violent crimes in no new purchases, but also reducthe village in 2005. Soldano said potion in expenses, such as cruiser lice and dispatchers have developed maintenance and purchase of equipand maintain a good rapport with ment and office supplies, he said. the community, particularly within Soldano said he never had to lay off the school system. any officers or dispatchers, just ad-

time in 2005, compared with about 150 hours in 2004. Personnel worked a lot of overtime in 2004 because of turnover among dispatchers.

Dispatchers left for jobs that were full-time and paid better, he said. Now there is more stability among dispatchers. Two who have found full-time employment also continue to dispatch in Leetonia, he said. All dispatchers are part-time workers.

'We don't have much turnover at all among our officers," said Soldano, who is in his ninth year as chief. "Most of them have worked with me long enough to know how I like the department to operate. It is love of the job and dedication that keeps people here. It's not the money."

There are four full-time officers, including Soldano, and nine parttime patrolmen, he said. Soldano's second in command, a sergeant, earns \$11.85 per hour, the highestpaid patrolman makes \$10.65 per hour, and the chief dispatcher earns \$9.41 per hour, he said.

Soldano said that despite tight budgets, the department is effective.

Chris Wetzel is the only school re-

source officer currently working in

Columbiana County, Soldano said.

Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at Higgins Funeral Home, Boardman-Canfield Chapel and from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday at the church.

There will be a Masonic service at 6:45 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home

Memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Paradise United Church of Christ Building Fund

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Jacquelyn F. "Jackie" Hughes, 69

NEW BEDFORD, PA. - Jacquelyn F. "Jackie" Hughes, 69, died Tuesday morning at Jameson Memorial Hospital in New Castle, Pa.

She was born July 7, 1936 in Pennsylvania, a daughter of James and Irene Young Pearce, and lived most of her life in the New Bedford-New Castle area.

Mrs. Hughes was a manager at the Tic Toc Food Mart on McCartney Road in Youngstown for 22 years, retiring in 1998. She was a member of the New Bedford Presbyterian Church and enjoyed bowling, cooking and being with her family.

She leaves her husband, Leman J. Hughes, whom she married July 12, 1957; a son, Steven L. Hughes of New Bedford; four daughters, Jodi (Thomas) Gargasz of Pulaski, Pa., Beth Ann (Kenneth) Longwill of New Bedford, Heather Hughes of Bellefonte, Pa., and Courtney (Jeffrey) Longwill of New Bedford; a brother, William Pearce of Danville, Va.; three sisters, Jean Stanley and Nancy Welsh, both of New Castle, and Shirley Stutz of Pensacola, Fla.; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Sally Smith.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 10 to 11 a.m. Friday at the Kelley-Robb Funeral Home in Hubbard, where there will be funeral services at 11 a.m. Friday.

To view this obituary and to send condolences to the family, please visit www.kelley-robb.com. 12-28-05

six uncles; four aunts, five nieces; three nephews and 24 cousins.

Johnny was preceded in death by two aunts and two cousins.

He was employed as a driver at Waste Management in North Huntington. Johnny's hobbies included working on cars and spending time with his dogs.

Family and friends will be received from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today at the Vala Funeral Home, Inc., 463 Athena Drive in Delmont, Pa.

There will be services for Johnny Thursday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home, with the Rev. Michael Pacelli officiating. Interment will follow at Twin Val-

ley Memorial Park in Delmont. 12-28-05

Mary C. Barkelew, 91

BOARDMAN - There will be services at 11 a.m. Thursday at Saint Charles Church for Mary C. Barkelew, 91, who died Monday morning at Forum Health Northside Medical Center.

Mary was born April 2, 1914 in Youngstown, a daughter of Thomas B. and Nellie Redden Canavan, and was a lifelong area resident.

She was a graduate of South High School and St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing. She was a registered nurse, having worked at St. Elizabeth Health Center for the Visiting Nurses Association.

Mary was a member of the church. She was on the board of directors for the Visiting Nurses Association (VNA) and was a past member of the Lake Milton Boat Club.

Her husband, Oden V. Barkelew, whom she married Sept. 30, 1939, died in 1989.

She leaves a daughter, Jan-Marie (Bryan) Logan, with whom she made her home; three sisters, Delores Fullerman and Jo Ann Canavan, both of Boardman, and Helen Rooney of Farmington, Mich.; four grandchildren, Shannon (Brian) Ewert of Canfield, Joel Barkelew of Canfield, Erik Logan of Niles and Raven Logan of Boardman; and a great-grandson, Blake Ewert of Canfield.

Friends may call from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the church.

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

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From 1978 through 1988, he served on the Board of Trustees for the Mahoning and Shenango Area Health Education Network.

His memberships in other professional organizations included the Ohio State Medical Association, American Medical Association, American College of Surgeons, Herbert Conway Society, American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, Northeast Ohio Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons, International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, Canadian Society for Aesthetic (Cosmetic) Plastic Surgery, Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, and The Royal Society of Medicine in London, England.

Dr. Dietz accepted teaching appointments as an instructor in surgery at The New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center, and was an assistant professor of surgery at the Northeast Ohio Universities, College of Medicine from 1978 until he retired. He published a number of articles in medical journals, presented a variety of original papers nationally and internationally, and was invited to speak to national and international conferences during his medical career

In 1992, Dr. Dietz received the Distinguished Physician Award from the Mahoning County Medical Society and in 1993, he received the Youngstown Y.W.C.A. Man of the Year for Outstanding Community Service.

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tending school in Pittsburgh: a brother, Steve Mihaly of Phoenix; and three sisters, Kathleen Zvara of Phoenix. Mary Holt of Youngstown and Christine Wasely of Youngstown.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. 12-28-05

David Amil Mentges, 50

NEWARK - There will be a funeral service at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Utica Church of Christ, with Alan Pratt officiating, for David Amil Mentges, 50, formerly of Canfield, who died Dec. 25 at his residence.

He was born June 23, 1955 in Youngstown, to Amil J. Mentges and Lois J. (Farmer) Mentges.

David was employed at the Newark and Columbus area as a respiratory therapist and registered nurse for 20 years. He was a member of the Utica Presbyterian Church and served as an elder.

He served four years in the U.S. Navy and returned to Ohio and attended The Ohio State University and was an avid Buckeye football and basketball fan. He coached baseball, soccer and basketball and he loved to bicycle.

He is survived by his wife of 25 years, Sharon (Stockdale) Mentges; a son, Eric a student at Ohio University in Athens; his mother, Lois Mentges and sister, Carol Mentges, both of Canfield; his brother and sister-inlaw, Tom and Barbara Mentges of Poland; six nieces; two nephews; aunts, uncles and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, Amil Mentges. Family request, in lieu of flowers,

contributions be made to Hospice of Central Ohio, 2269 Cherry Valley Road, Newark, OH 43055.

Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. todav at the Utica Church of Christ, 115 N. Central Ave. in Utica.

Burial will follow in Newark Memorial Gardens.

Law-Baker Funeral Home, 34 N. Main St., Utica is assisting the family with arrangements.

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justed some shifts. The biggest difference this year from 2004 was that reduction of overtime helped police stay within budget, Soldano said.

"A lot of overtime can kill a budget very quickly," he said.

The police budget is about \$315,000 of the village's \$669,000 general fund. Clerk Judy Garlough estimates the 2006 general fund budget will be about the same.

Soldano said police and dispatchers worked about 85 hours of over-

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Wetzel is assigned full time to work with pupils, staff and parents of Leetonia Schools Wetzel is in the third year of a three-year grant, and Soldano hopes the village can pay Wetzel's salary and benefits when the Community Oriented Policing Services grant from

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the U.S. Department of Justice ex-

Appropriations for 2006 pass in spite of concerns

pires.

One trustee and the trusteeelect asked, unsuccessfully, for a delay.

> By KATIE LIBECCO VINDICATOR STAFF WRITER

BOARDMAN – Tensions ran high at the township trustees meeting as they adopted appropriations for 2006, including the purchase of a new firetruck for the city.

Elaine Mancini and Thomas Costello voted for the adoption of the appropriations presented by Clerk William Leicht; Trustee Kathy Miller voted against it.

"The last two years, we did this in January. We didn't do this in December. Why can't it wait a week? I don't know why we're doing this now," Miller said.

Mancini and Costello did not see the need to wait.

"Nothing's going to change. You can delay it, but I've worked on this for months. I won't change anything," Leicht said.

He contended that in previous years the pay period fell differently and work was not prepared this early.

The appropriations follow the plan the board set in 1999 to use money in the reserves before putting a tax levy on the ballot, which Leicht predicts will happen in 2008. He said if voters reject the levy, the city could face lavoffs.

"There are no increases in this plan," Leicht said several times during the meeting, while Miller questioned the way the appropriations were determined.

New firetruck

The three trustees' votes divided the same way for the purchase of a firetruck through a state purchasing program, at the recommendation of fire Chief James Dorman. The 500-gallon pumper will cost \$331,586.87 and will be ready to use in about a year.

Dorman said the truck is the first in a plan to "help spread out" the costs of replacing trucks and avoid having to purchase several trucks in the same year.

The department will also likely have to replace its ladder truck in 2009, which Dorman said is projected to cost about \$980,000.

Tuesday was the last meeting for Trustee Thomas Costello, who was defeated in November by incoming Trustee Robyn Gallitto.

Gallitto asked the board to delay the votes on the firetruck and a \$35,000 contribution to Boardman schools' Community Television Network and Studio Channel 19, so the budget could be further reviewed. She also requested the 2006 appropriations be tabled for additional review.

The panel agreed to delay only the vote on the schools' donation for a review of Channel 19's operating costs and budget.

Before the meeting, Leicht said plans for a new main fire station depend on the possible purchase of land, which he said he would present to trustees during executive session. No action was taken afterward.