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Tributes

Melissa S. Hanna, 20

YOUNGSTOWN - Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the Higgins-Reardon Funeral Home, Austintown Chapel for Melissa S. Hanna, 20, who passed away early Friday morning from injuries sustained in an auto accident.

Melissa was born Feb. 8, 1990, in Youngstown.

Melissa was a 2008 graduate of Austintown Fitch High School. She was a cashier and cook for Burger King. She was an artist and loved camping.

Melissa leaves her mother, Sheila Hanna, and stepfather, Joseph Popio; her son, Cameron McCracken, at home; her maternal grandparents, George and Geri Missik of Youngstown; her great-grandmother, Rose Missik of Youngstown; and her aunt, Jill Missik of Toledo.

Friends and family may call on Monday from 5 to 8 p.m. and Tuesday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

The family requested that material tributes take the form of donations to a memorial fund in care of the funeral home.



6-6-10

Rudolph F. "Rudy" Simchick, 81



YOUNGSTOWN - Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Wasko Funeral Home and a Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. at St. Joseph the Provider Church in Campbell for Rudolph F. "Rudy" Simchick, 81, who passed away Thursday, June 3, 2010, while working at home on the property that he treasured.

Rudy was born Oct. 1, 1928, in Campbell, the son of the late Thomas and Josephine Kotwica Simchick.

Rudy was self employed at R.S. Excavating as a driver for many years. He had a very strong work ethic and was instrumental in the development of the City of Campbell.

He enjoyed hunting at his cabin in the mountains of Pennsylvania and spending time with his grandchildren, family and friends. He was easily recognized by his captivating smile and cowboy hat that he always wore.

He was a very kind-hearted man, always wanting to help those in need. Children were drawn to his gentle manner and enjoyed their rides on his backhoe.

Rudy also liked to dance, especially the polka. Many people were entertained by his colorful stories, which often taught a lesson in life. He looked forward to a relaxing walk with his dog around the property he loved, at the end of each day.

Rudy is survived by his wife of 25 years, the former Betty Stellmar, whom he married on Oct. 27, 1984; his children, Debbie (Bill) Savage of Boardman, Audrey (Mike) Raggio of Tacoma, Wash., Shirley (Dan) Grim Sr. of Greenville, Pa., and David Dimoff and Matthew Dimoff, both of Youngstown; his grandchildren, Christine Graves, Steven Graves Jr., Nick Savage, Ryan Savage, Joe Sadosky, Sean Sadosky, Amanda Grim and Daniel Grim Jr.; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Eleanor (Nick) Mistovich of Campbell; and sisters-in-law, Ann Simchick, Natalie Simchick, Marge (Tom) Janosik, Patty (Jim) Lavernick, Dorothy Stellmar and Darlene Stellmar.

He also leaves Joe (Margaret) Daltorio, Carl Daltorio, Audrey Crea, Sibi Triscori and many nieces, nephews and good friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, the former Patricia Daltorio who passed away in 1983; a son Gregory Dimoff; two sisters, Mary Mady and Florence Janoso; four brothers, Edward, John, Julius, and Stanley Simchick; sister-in-law, Stephanie Simchick and brothers-in-law, John W. Mady, Frank Stellmar and James Stellmar.

The Simchick family has entrusted their loved one to the care of the Wasko Funeral Home and will receive friends Monday from 5 to 8 p.m.

Visit www.waskofamily.com to view this obituary.

6-6-10

William H. Hall, 83



BOARDMAN - Services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Lane Funeral Home, Austintown Chapel for William H. Hall, 83, who passed away Friday at Hospice House.

William was born March 5, 1927, in Youngstown, the son of Henry and Alice (Patterson) Hall, and was a lifelong area resident.

He attended Jackson Elementary School and went to Woodrow Wilson High School. In the 11th grade at Wilson, he enlisted in the Navy Reserves in 1944. Serving in the Navy Seabee 29th Navel Construction Battalion in the Philippine Islands in 1945, and on Truk Atoll in the Caroline Islands, upon being discharged from the Navy Seabee's in 1946, he went back to Woodrow Wilson and graduated in January of 1947. In 1947 he started working at U.S. Steel in the machine shop, and in 1951 after leaving U.S. Steel, Bill started working as an Apprentice Bricklayer with Buehlt Construction Company, and the Bricklayers Union Local No. 8 of Youngstown. After 50 years as a bricklayer, he received a Life Member Gold Card in 2001, of Local No. 8 and the Allied Craftsmen of America.

He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church, the Scottish Clan MacDonald of Youngstown, World War II Navy Seabee and the U.S. Navy Seabee Island No. 8 in Youngstown, the F&A.M. Hillman Lodge No. 481, now the Wick Lodge No. 481 since 1963, Scottish Rite Valley of Youngstown 32nd Degree, a member of the Shiners Al Koran Temple of Cleveland, the Youngstown Shrine Club, that he loved and served on the board of directors of for five years. He also served on the board of directors of the Crescent Company and was a driver for the Shriner's Children's Hospital for 15 years and the Clothing Salesman for the Youngstown Shrine Club for over five years. He was a former member of the Aut Mori Grotto for about 20 years.

Bill was very proud to be a member of the Property's Committee at the Boy Scout Camp Stambaugh in Canfield for many years and received the Silver Beaver Award in 2005 from the Great Western Reserve Council, Boy Scouts of America. He also received the National Endowment Award from the Boy Scouts of America in 2004. Bill loved sports, and was an avid Cleveland Indians and Browns fan as well as Ohio State. He was also an avid bowler with many different leagues around the Youngstown area. He loved being with friends and playing golf in leagues with the VFW of Struthers, the Argus Golf League, and was proud to have a hole in one at Diamond Back Golf Course. Most of all William loved being with his children and grandchildren, whom he adored.

His wife, the former Donna Cole, whom he married July 29, 1977, passed away October of 2009.

William leaves six children, Norma Bones of Boardman, Carol Kirschke of North Lima, Jean Cleg-horn of Houston, James Hall of Boardman, Dorothy Hall of Seaside, Ore., and Scott Hall of Houston; two stepchildren, Jeffery Gibson of Akron and Cheryl Haid of Berlin Center; as well as 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild, Sydney Jennell Johnson.

Besides his parents and wife, William was preceded in death by two sisters, Grace Harker and Ellen Haag.

Family and friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and again from 10 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

Family and friends may visit www.lanefuneralhomes.com to view this obituary and to send condolences.

6-6-10

Virginia A. DiTecco, 87

BOARDMAN - There will be funeral services at 10 a.m. on Monday, June 7, 2010, at the Rossi Brothers & Lellio Funeral Home in Boardman, followed by a 10:30 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at the Sacred Heart Church in Youngstown, with the Rev. Kevin Peters celebrating the Mass, for Virginia A. DiTecco, 87, who passed away Friday morning, June 4.

Virginia was born April 28, 1923, in Campbell, the daughter of Vittorio and Maria (Gasberlina) DiTecco.

She was a gifted seamstress with the Moyer Manufacturing Company for 43 years, retiring in 1985. She was a 1941 graduate of Campbell Memorial High School.

Virginia will be dearly remembered by her sister, Rose Polito Gallagher; her good friend, Pat Arquilla and family; and her nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents, Virginia was preceded in death by three sisters, Viola Collins, Amelia Tauro and Jean Romanelli and two brothers, Leonard and Phillip Detec.

Family and friends may call from 9 to 10 a.m. Monday at the Rossi Brothers & Lellio Funeral Home, 4442 South Ave. in Boardman.



6-6-10

Janice "Jan" Vaughn, 63



BOARDMAN - The former Jan DiTommaso went home to be with the Lord on Friday, June 4, 2010.

Jan was born on July 4, 1946, in Akron.

Jan graduated from Riggs LaMar and Sayre in Akron before moving to Youngstown as a young girl and remained here for the rest of her life.

She was a former hairdresser and taught at the Youngstown Beauty School and worked at various hair salons. She sold Real Estate a number of years for Neopolitain Realty, before marrying her husband, James E. Vaughn, on Oct. 2, 1981.

Jan was an avid golfer, winning various tournaments in the area. She was a past member and Ladies Golf chairman of Tippecanoe Country Club. She attended Youngstown State University and was an EMT and worked in the ER at St. Elizabeth's Health Center.

Jan and her husband, Jim, were owner and operators of Vaughn's Dairy Mart in Canfield, where she started the Canfield Business Association in 1988. She also owned and operated the Vaughn's Adult Life Center, the only independent adult day care in the Tri-state area. Jan was an artist and loved to sculpt, make and sell jewelry, and decorate houses. She loved to collect antiques, and opened an antique shoppe "Krista's Korner" in Chippawa, Pa. Her most important thing was being around her family and friends, having fun, and cooking big holiday dinners for everyone.

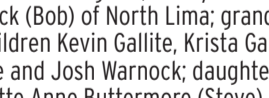
She is survived by her husband, Jim; they were inseparable soul mates and they enjoyed living life to its fullest and mostly enjoyed doing things together. She also leaves a daughter, Robbyn Warnock (Bob) of North Lima; grandchildren Kevin Gallite, Krista Gallite and Josh Warnock; daughters, Bette Anne Buttermore (Steve) of Dayton; grandchildren Bryce Buttermore, Stephanie (Nate) Stegman and Ann Buttermore; daughter, Barbara Dickert (David) of St. Louis; and grandchildren John and Mary Catherine; daughter, Evie Vaughn of Florida; and her most dearest sister, Anna Pera (John) of Canfield. She is also survived by her lifelong friend, Peggy Yerrace of Cleveland; and many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Genevieve Stuyke and Vito and Susie DiTommaso.

Jan will be sadly missed by all. Family and friends may call on Monday June 7, 2010, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at the Rossi Brothers & Lellio Funeral Home, 4442 South Ave. in Boardman.

Burial will take place at Lake Park Cemetery in Youngstown.



6-6-10

Thomas, "Twig" "YT" Hartwig, 57

TAMPA, FLA. - A memorial Mass will be celebrated Saturday, June 19, at 11 a.m. at St. Edward Church for Thomas "Twig" "YT" Hartwig, 57, formerly of Youngstown, who passed away May 29, 2010.

Tom was born Sept. 13, 1952, in Youngstown, the son of Warren "Babe" and Patricia Joyce Hartwig.

He proudly served in the U.S. Army in Korea. Prior to moving to Florida, he worked for U.S. Steel for many years in Youngstown and Lorain, and was a volunteer firefighter in the City of Sheffield Lake. Tom was also an avid fan of the Cleveland Browns and Cleveland Indians.

Tom is survived by his mother, Patricia A. Hartwig of Youngstown; his loving companion, Margaret Sprague of Tampa; his children, Brian (Kerriann) Hartwig of Lake-wood and Stacy Hartwig of Chicago; his brothers and sisters, Bob Hartwig, John Hartwig, Paul Hartwig and Mary Hartwig, all of Youngstown, Bill Hartwig of Bethesda, Md., Patty (Jerry) Resatar of Hubbard and Sue (Rich) Sferra of Tampa; eight nieces and nephews, Cathi (Chuck) Matt, P.J., Johnny, Jason, Kati, Anthony and Audrey; as well as many other loving family members and friends.

Tom was preceded in death by his father, Warren "Babe" Hartwig. The family will receive friends in the church one hour before the memorial Mass.

The family requests that memorial tributes take the form of contributions to the American Heart Association, 900 Dr. MLK St. N., St. Petersburg, FL 33716.

Arrangements are being handled by McVean, Hughes and McClurkin Funeral Home.

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Terrence Ralph Orr, 55



EASTON, WIS. - Terrence Ralph Orr, 55, formerly of Hubbard, died Friday, May 21, 2010, at the Golden Living Center in Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

Terrence was born July 26, 1954, in Youngstown, a son of Robert G. and T. Rhodena Pero Orr.

He worked for many years as a patient care consultant for the Salem Convalescent Home in Salem. Most recently, he had worked as a manager for Kohl's Department Store in Lake Delton, Wis.

He was an animal lover who for many years was active in showing Arabian horses, and also loved breeding and selling rare species of birds and rabbits.

He leaves his mother, Rhodena Orr; his brothers, Jerry Orr, William (Mary Jo) Orr, Brian Orr; and a sister, Renee (Ken) Possert, all of Hubbard; and two step siblings, Kaye Brooks and Garth Coonce. He also leaves 10 nieces and nephews and seven great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Gerald Orr, and his nephew, Blane Hepfner, both of whom entered the kingdom of heaven within the last year.

A memorial gathering will be held Sunday, June 13, 2010, at 2 p.m. at Captain Dick's Resort in Wisconsin Dells.

The Picha Funeral Home and Crematory of Wisconsin Dells assisted the family with arrangements.

Family and friends are invited to visit the funeral home's Web site at www.stewart-kyle.com to share memories and condolences with the family.

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Michael Edward Yasechko, 40



WARNER ROBINS, GA. - Michael Yasechko, 40, entered into rest Sunday, May 30, 2010.

Mike was born Jan. 19, 1970, in Youngstown.

He was a proud veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Mike was a civilian Lead Aircraft Electrician assigned to the 562nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron at Robins Air Force Base.

His father, John Edward Yasechko, preceded him in death.

His memory will forever be treasured by his loving mother, Carol Masiello of Lascassas, Tenn.; brothers John Michael Yasechko of Hawkinsville, Ga., and James Edward Yasechko of Bonaire, Ga.; his twin sister, Michelle Lee Page of Fort Belvoir, Va.; and so many other loving relatives and friends.

Funeral Services will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2010, in the chapel of McCullough Funeral Home. The family will visit with friends following the service until 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 9, 2010, in St. John's Cemetery in Lowellville.

Go to www.mcculloughfh.com to sign the Online Registry for the family.

McCullough Funeral Home has charge of arrangements.

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June E. Patchen, 87

COLUMBIANA - June E. Patchen, 87, passed away at 10:10 p.m. on Friday, June 4, 2010, at Parkside Health Center.

June was born Nov. 18, 1922, in Grand Rapids, Mich., the daughter of James Erwin and Maude May Phelps White. June was the last of a family of seven children.

Mrs. Patchen moved to Columbiana in 1945. She had worked at the Poultry Association of Columbiana. June was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Columbiana. She was a 60 year life member of the American Legion Benjamin Firestone Post No. 290 where she helped out with the street fair every year. June was also a member of the 40 & 8. She loved dancing, bowling, traveling and writing poetry.

Mrs. Patchen was preceded in death on June 13, 2003, by her husband, Robert G. Patchen. They were married Sept. 6, 1942.

June is survived by 11 of 12 nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by an infant son and daughter; her sisters, Blanche Rolf, Ruth White, Audrey Trimble and Erma Garey; her brothers, Cecil White and Lloyd White; and a niece, Cindy Reece.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at the Seederly-Mong & Beck Funeral Home in Columbiana with the Rev. Renae Meggitt officiating.

Burial will be at Columbiana Cemetery.

Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m., Monday, June 7, 2010, at the Seederly-Mong & Beck Funeral Home in Columbiana.

Friends may visit www.seederly-mongandbeck.com to view this obituary, sign the guest register or send private condolences online.

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OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Volunteer Corps

Summer of Service 2010:

The Summer of Service program offers students an opportunity to work with a team of other young people to accomplish an important initiative at a local nonprofit organization. All projects are supervised by a trained adult team leader and coordinated by HOVN. Students can register for one project or an entire summer of projects based on their interests and availability. The projects for this year are with Habitat for Humanity, Mill Creek MetroParks, Youngstown Playhouse, Assumption Village, Lien Forward Ohio, and Trumbull Soil & Water Conservation District. For a full list of projects and details, call 330-782-5877 or e-mail cadams@hovn.org. Projects begin June 16.

Summer of Service Adult

Team Leaders:

We are seeking adult team leaders, 21 and older, to work alongside a small group of youth on service projects at Youngstown Playhouse, Mill Creek MetroParks, Habitat for Humanity ReStore, Lien Forward Ohio, and Assumption Village. We will provide you with training and supplies. If you are a youth leader, coach, teacher, retiree or college student, this is a great summer opportunity for you. Call Corrie at 330-782-5877 for details.

Biggest Weekend of the

Summer:

This year three of our Valley's biggest events are coming together for one weekend, July 9-11. The Tour of the Valley professional cycling event, the YSU Festival of the Arts and the Youngstown Jazz Festival will all take place the same weekend in an effort to draw visitors to the city. You can be a part of this weekend by volunteering a few hours at one of these events:

Tour of the Valley:

Volunteers are needed at the tour July 9-11 to direct traffic along the course, assist with rider registration and event setup and cleanup. Meals and T-shirts will be provided to volunteers who work a four-hour shift on one or all three days of the event. Volunteers must be at least 18. For more information, visit www.tourofthevalley.com or contact Jenn Quinlan at 330-261-0320 or e-mail carbonracing09@gmail.com.

Summer Festival of the Arts:

Many opportunities are available if you have a few hours or a whole day to give. Volunteers can help artists set up their booths or work with our Hands-On Art tent to assisting with musical, dance and theater productions. For more information, visit www.yso.edu/sfa or contact Lori Factor at 330-941-2307 or e-mail lfactor@ysu.edu.

Benefit Bank appointments:

Appointments Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting Tuesday for the Ohio Benefit Bank through the Ohio Veteran's Project. The Ohio Veteran's Project is designed to assist veterans in Mahoning and Trumbull counties and give them the opportunity to access social services and provide needed support. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact HandsOn Volunteer Network at 330-782-5877. Additionally, if you are a veteran and interested in mentoring a recent veteran or in being certified as a Benefit Bank counselor, contact us.

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