

# LIFETIMES



From left, attorney Dennis Zavinski, Portage County Republican Party treasurer, and attorney Norman Sandvoss, GOP chair, look at the tennis racket without strings Sandvoss was given in honor of his service as his successor, Andrew Manning, looks on.



Linda Sandvoss and her husband, attorney Norman Sandvoss, chat with attorney Craig Stephens, Democratic Party chairman and member of the Portage County Board of Elections, and Nancy Hansford, former chairman of the Portage County Republicans.

## OUT AND ABOUT

# Send-off party honors Norman Sandvoss

Attorney Norman Sandvoss, who is stepping down from his post as chairman of the Portage County Republican Party, received a send-off recently at a dinner attended by Republicans as well as members of the Portage County Board of Elections.

Besides advocating for Republican candidates and issues as chairman for nearly 13 years, Sandvoss has served on the Board of

Elections in a period noteworthy for harmonious relationship with Democrats.

When he first went on the board, Sandvoss said he was pleasantly surprised to learn, "we park our politics at the door."

The focus, he said, has always been on conducting honest and well run elections in which the integrity of the vote is sacred.

Despite occasional cries of voter fraud in

big registration efforts, Sandvoss has said the issue of fraud is "overblown. In certain instances, it looks more like voter suppression. The goal should be getting people to vote. Explain the differences between the philosophies of the two parties to the voters and let the people decide," Sandvoss says.

"As a Republican I believe the American people will be happier and better off in the

long run with less government intrusion into their lives," he said.

On some issues, however, Democrats and Republicans face the same problems, he said. "We have to fill our precinct committee seats. We need to attract good candidates and we need to encourage citizen donations to fund their campaigns. Even though we are rivals, why not treat one another civilly?"



Attorneys John Flynn and Richard Wilson with Charlotte Steinert, Jean Davis, Portage County Elections Board member, and Norman Sandvoss



Nancy Auran, Portage County Women's Republican Club president, Andrew Manning, incoming chairman, attorneys Norman Sandvoss and Dennis Zavinski, and Faith Lyon, Portage County Republican vice chair

## WEDDINGS

### Rubright-Krysiak

#### Now living in Nevada

Rachael Rubright became the bride of Andrew Krysiak in a March 14 ceremony at St. John's United Church of Christ in South Amherst. The Rev. Paul Eaton served as officiant.

The bride is the daughter of Philip Rubright of South Amherst and the late Ladyne Rubright.

The groom's parents are Allan and Pam Krysiak of Rootstown.

The bride was escorted by her father. She chose a handmade ivory halter with a lace-up back and hand-strung, antique pearl accents. Her matching hand-woven wedding shawl featured accents of golden and silver thread, and she wore a silk flower crown. The gown and all accessories were created by the bride.

In keeping with the color theme of purple and ivory, the bride carried a nosegay of ivory roses, purple freesia and baby's-breath.

Selena Barnfather of Cleveland served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Anya Clingman of Kent and Maggie Holobaugh of Tacoma Park, Md., cousin of the bride.

Scott Krysiak of Rootstown served as his brother's best man. Groomsmen were Douglas Krysiak of Rootstown, brother of the groom, and Matthew Ru-



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Krysiak

bright of South Amherst, brother of the bride.

An evening reception was held following the ceremony at Lakeview Beach Rose Cafe in Lorain, overlooking Lake Erie.

Special guests included Ladyne Diekman, grandmother of the bride, and Sandra Brown, aunt of the bride, both of Hawaii; Eleanor Pennell of Ravenna and Helen Krysiak of Lakewood, both grandmothers of the groom; Cheryl and John Jacobs of Florida, aunt and uncle of the bride; Pat Holobaugh of Maryland, aunt of the bride; and

many friends from Nevada, Colorado, Illinois and Missouri.

The bride is a graduate of Firelands High School and earned an associate degree from Lorain County Community College. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Kent State University and currently is enrolled in the culinary arts program at the University of Nevada at Reno. Her husband is a graduate of Rootstown High School and currently is attending the University of Nevada in Reno, where the Krysiaks are now residing.

### Risch-Weber

#### Spring vows unite pair

Allison Risch and Joe Weber were united in marriage in an April 4 ceremony at the Kennebunkport Inn in Kennebunkport, Maine.

The bride is the daughter of Mike and Chris Risch of Logan. The parents of the groom are Robert and Ruth Weber of Kent.

Amy Risch of Cincinnati served as her sister's maid of honor, and Ryan Weber of Madison, Wis., was his brother's best man.

A reception was held at the inn immediately following the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Ohio University and currently works as a paralegal.

The groom is a graduate of Kent State University and is a district conserva-



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weber

tionist for Aroostook County in Maine.

The Webers reside in Caribou, Maine.

## CLUB NEWS

### Memorial Day to meet

The final meeting for the Ravenna Memorial Day Association committee will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 1055, located at 6000 New Milford Road.

People should bring their receipts to this meeting if they wish to be reimbursed for expenses incurred for the Memorial Day program.

The committee wishes to thank the community for its support on Memorial Day to honor all the deceased veterans.

### Club celebrates 51 years

The Randolph Garden Club will be celebrating its 51st anniversary with a dinner to be held at 6:30 p.m. June 15 at the Randolph Community Center, 1639 S.R. 44 (in the back). Hostesses for the evening will be Nita Laubert and Jane Bedard.

Inspiration will be given by Debby Bulgrin. A program on perennials in the garden will be presented by Jun Penafleur.

Reservations are needed for the dinner. For information, call Debby Bulgrin, president, at 330-877-4486.