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Bank robbery at Fifth Third leaves no clues

At 1:16 p.m on Thursday Jan. 14, a lone black male entered the Fifth Third Bank at 2601 Far Hills Avenue in Oakwood. The subject approached a teller and presented a note demanding hundreds, fifties and twenties. The note alluded to a gun, but none was displayed by the robber.

The suspect is described as a very thin black male in his twenties, approximately 5' 9" to 5' 10" and 120 to 150 pounds. The suspect was wearing a black jacket and black jeans with gold designs on the pockets and black shoes. He had on a black Cincinnati Bengals baseball style hat and wore a white surgical or dust mask to cover his face. The suspect did not have on gloves and took the money in his hands. The demand note was not recovered.

The suspect fled from the rear door of the bank and appears to have gone westbound on Dell Park towards Hillview. Fresh tracks in the snow led to the street at that location and it appears the suspect entered a vehicle.

Oakwood Police crews arrived on the scene quickly and secured the bank and processed the crime scene for evidence. At this time it is not believed that today's robbery is related to the robbery of a Fifth Third Bank in Kettering on Wednesday. Anyone with information about this robbery is asked to contact Detective Hill of the Oakwood Police Department at (937) 298-2122.



At right: photo of bank robbery suspect showing teller a note.

Routsong, city to attempt compromise

By Lance Winkler

The city of Oakwood and Routsong Realty are planning to meet on Monday, Jan. 25 in an attempt to find common ground regarding the denial of the site development plan for the former Routsong Funeral Home located at 6 Oakwood Ave. Routsong filed an appeal on Dec. 21 in the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court stating that "the Oakwood City Council acted on Dec. 4, 2009, by operation of its Zoning Ordinance in failing to set this matter for a hearing on the

Appellant's appeal from the City of Oakwood Planning Commission, which had rendered its decision on September 23, 2009, and which was appealed by Routsong on October 5, 2009

A public hearing concerning the appeal was announced for Dec. 14 and subsequently canceled because the meeting would have taken place past the 60-day deadline required for appellants to file motions. The Oakwood Planning Commission denied the site development plan on Sept. 23.

Routsong's site development plan involves demolishing the existing structure at 6 Oakwood Ave. and building a one-story structure measuring 8,130 square feet with parking and outdoor seating.

'The city officials will be meeting on with Routsong officials to see if they can find middle ground," said Dalma Grandjean, Oakwood city attorney. When asked what constitutes "middle ground" she replied, "Consistent with the Oakwood code of ordinances, which is what we go by."

Wrestlers finish 1st at Valleyview Invitational

By Kelly Kooser

After a full day of wrestling, the Oakwood wrestling team was able to take home a share of the championship with host Valley View by outpacing the 12 team field and putting 12 of their 13 team members into at least a top six placement on the podium.

Leading the way for the Lumberjacks, going undefeated (5-0), and taking home titles were Kevin Lee (119 lbs), Alex Kooser (130 lbs.) and Jameson Kordik (140 lbs.). Taking runner-up honors and placing second was Will LeBoeuf (145 lbs.). Placing third for Oakwood were Steven Harrell

(103 lbs.), and Jake Horlacher (285 lbs.). Taking fourth place honors were Daniel Ehler (112 lbs.), Brian Huey (152 lbs.), and Dan Pohlman (160 lbs.). Placing fifth was Cameron Wedding (189 lbs.) and taking sixth place for Oakwood was Kyle Hagan (171 lbs.) and Sam Stanley (215 lbs.). Also winning a key match for the team's championship was Pete McMillan (135 lbs.).

Next up for Oakwood is a Dual match with Beavercreek at home in the "Pit" on Wed, Jan. 20. Please come out for your last chance to see this outstanding team compete at home this year.

7th annual MLK Breakfast a success

The Cities of Kettering and Oakwood hosted the seventh annual Martin Luther King Breakfast Celebration on Monday, Jan. 18. This year's program, themed "Applying the Dream", featured Pastor Robert E. Jones of College Hill Community Church as the speaker.

Pastor Jones has been providing pastoral leadership at College Hill Community Church for more than 30 years. Pastor Jones was born and grew up in North Carolina. After arriving in Dayton in 1977, Pastor Jones received a Doctorate of Ministry from United Theological Seminary

in 1994. Pastor Jones has received numerous local and national awards, including the Liberty Bell Award for Outstanding Community Service from the Dayton Bar Association and The James E. Stamp Award from the United Negro College Fund. He and his wife, Karen Jones, reside in the Dayton area with their son, Darrell.

Two dozen students were recognized in both the Written Expression and Visual Art categories for their entries. In the K-2 Written Expression category, Lochlan Hendrix placed first and Elizabeth Vaughn placed second, Both attend E.D. Smith Elementary. Harman Elementary had two winners as well with Peyton Sawyer and Jaclyn Frank winning second and third place respectively in the 6-8 Written Expression category.

Newly-elected Oakwood Mayor William Duncan and Kettering Mayor Don Patterson had individual remarks for the gathering at the opening breakfast.

The Kettering Oakwood MLK Breakfast was sponsored by Kettering Medical Center Network, Town & Country Shopping Center, and Limited Brands.



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\$700 donated to Ronald McDonald House



Caroline Filburn and Emily Haluschak celebrated their 14th birthday by having a dance party on Dec. 30, 2009. Instead of gifts they requested their friends to bring a donation for the Ronald McDonald House in Dayton. They raised approximately \$700! They wish to thank all their friends who contributed.

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'Winter Wonders' auction Jan. 23

St. Paul's Episcopal Church invites the community to join us for "Winter Wonders," a benefit auction of fine collectibles on Saturday, Jan. 23, to benefit Bridge Riding for the Disabled. The Bridge Riding program is dedicated to helping disabled people, both children and adults, find new freedom through their experiences with horses. It serves individuals with various diagnoses, including cerebral palsy, autism, mental retardation, strokes, and multiple sclerosis. The horses and volunteers work through issues with balance, tight muscles, communication skills, and improving overall independence. The Bridge Riding for the Disabled program, a non-profit organization, is in need of our community support.

The "Winter Wonders" auction will provide a festive evening of bidding on many valuable and unique items donated by members of the congregation specifically for this project. The Preview Party will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the auction at 7 p.m. Join us, pick up a paddle and bid for a great cause! Refreshments will be served.

All members of the community are warmly invited to attend. St. Paul's Episcopal Church is located at 33 W. Dixon Avenue. For more information about attending or donating to this event, please contact Sharon Ray at 293-1154. For general information about the Bridge Riding for the Disabled program, you may visit their web site at www.bridgeriding.org.

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Notes from the Edge... **Un**

Niel Lorenz



I just finished one of my least favorite jobs....un-decorating the house after the holidays. I loved decorating it in early December because the house looked so festive. A mere month ago I thought I was Martha Stupid Stewart, bounding around the living room spewing boughs, bows, balls, bowls, and tiny bright bulbs hither and thither with abandon. As usual, I had total amnesia as to how I would feel about them in a month. Whether you decorate with a tree or a menorah or whatever - it doesn't matter...you still have to un it. The day of reckoning arrived today, as it does every January and I once again paid for my spree. I had to un-decorate it all, stow it in boxes, and lug it back to the attic until next year... at which time I shall become stupid once more and repeat the process.

I have decided that "un" may be my least favorite word. I hate to "un" anything. How can anyone like to unload the dishwasher, unpack from a trip, unstick burned-on lasagna, or unfreeze a windshield? It is easy to spend hours unclogging a drain, unkinking a chain, undergoing a root canal, or unlocking a car with the keys trapped inside, all just to get back to where you started in the first place. Ugh!

Now to be fair, there are some really, really good "uns"....starting with the fabulously useful 'undo' button on the computer. That little sucker is a sanity saver. It is also just plain fun to unwrap a CD, unfold forgotten cash from a jacket pocket, uncork a special wine, and undress a fat baby at jammie time. Saying unable to an unreasonable request, untying your sneakers after the gym, listening to an unabridged recorded book, and finding an unscheduled hour in your day are all "un" treats. I think unbaked cookie dough is delicious, Underoos are funny, Underarmor sportswear is awesome, and an unfurled American flag is one of the best things ever.

So, all things considered, I guess it's about even on the good and not so good "uns" and the only ones left are those you wish you could "un" but can't. Those are the occasions when at one time or another we'd all like to unsend the snarky email, uncut a stupid hairdo, unburn the overdone roast, unscramble our brains after reading about healthcare, or unsay an unkind thing. We all need a lifesize undo button for those and if you find one let me know.

Well, we're off and running into 2010. Let's hope it is a really good year when we are finally able to unravel that biggest "un" of all....the unfathomable mind of a teenager.

Engagement

Patterson-Judy

Bob and Robin Folkerth are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter, Whitney Patterson, to Brad Judy, son of Dan and Diane Judy.

The Bride-elect graduated from Oakwood High School and Wright State University. She is employed by Cintas Corporation as an account manager.

The Groom-to-be graduated from Oakwood High School and Miami University. He is currently working with the Burd Brothers Inc. as director of marketing.

A wedding is planned for June 5, 2010 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Oakwood.



Whitney Patterson and Brad Judy

Oakwood City Council cordially invites Oakwood residents to an Open House honoring

Mayor Judy Cook

for her 20 years of outstanding service on Oakwood City Council as both Mayor and Council Member.

Monday, January 25, 2010 4:00 ~ 7:00 P.M. at the Oakwood Community Center 105 Patterson Road.



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.. Dee Dee Nagel, Richard Brame

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. Dana Whitney

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Presentations will take place at 5:30 P.M.

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Alumnus to keynote DCOWA dinner

When Charles Ford was a senior at Oakwood High School in 1968, he received a scholarship from the Dayton Council on World Affairs (DCOWA) for a trip to Spain. Although he didn't realize it at the time, this was the start of a career spanning more than 30 years in international diplomacy and commerce that will come full circle when he addresses the DCOWA Annual Meeting on Monday, Jan. 25.

Ford, who served as U.S. Ambassador to Honduras from 2005 to 2008, will reflect on his experiences in the Latin American country and discuss the political unrest that has characterized the country in recent months. During his tenure in Honduras he implemented a \$500 million development program, implemented a major trade agreement, led crisis management teams responding to natural disasters and a major airplane crash, and developed strategy to coordinate the programs of 14 U.S. government agencies.

He received the Distinguished Service Award from President Bush

in 2008 for "sustained, extraordinary accomplishment in the conduct of foreign policy" during his tenure in Honduras. Ford also earned Department of Commerce medal awards in 1990, 1994, 1997 and 2003.

Ford holds a B.A. in economics from the College of William and Mary and a M.A. in Latin American area studies from George Washington University. His mother, Wanda Ford, was a long-time member of the Oakwood school board.

The annual meeting, with a reception at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m., will be held at Sinclair Community College Ponitz Building, Charity Early Room. The DCOWA is headquartered at the Wright State University Center for International Education, which is handling arrangements for this program. Tickets are \$40 for DCOWA members, \$50 for the public and \$20 for students. Reservations, which are required for the dinner event, can be made at (937) 775-5512. For more details via email go to michelle.streeter@wright.edu.

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'Round Town



Andrew Leakas

Andrew Leakas, Oakwood High School class of '76, received one of the six '2010 Outstanding Mentors Awards' at a celebration luncheon at Miami Valley Golf Club last Thursday. "Better Mentors, Better Children' is the by-word for this collaborative mentoring program. A quote from Lady Bird Johnson on the program read: "Children are likely to live up to what you believe in them." Another quote from **Oprah** Winfrey was: "A Mentor is someone who allows you to see the hope inside yourself."

The Mistress of Ceremonies was Marsha Bonhart. The guest speaker was **Rev. Dr. W. Wilson Goode, Sr.,** the former mayor of Philadelphia. In his remarks he said..."Montgomery County, Ohio has one of the best mentoring programs in the country!"

Ann Leakas Dennison, Andy's Mother, had told of her son's honor when playing bridge last week with friends. "I'll stop by your house with the flyers, program, and photos after the luncheon...I'm so proud of Andy! He owned a Title Company... and one day he decided to sell his company, his house, and his car and become a mentor at the Gospel Mission on Burns Street. He has two daughters ...Andy now mentors thirty to thirty two students...his success and his students progress is legendary...!"

Bill Rogers was in Dayton last week for his monthly visit to his office in the Bank One Building. Bill lives in Maine but what with all that electronic communication stuff he's in both places simultaneously! "You know, it's warmer in Maine than it is here in Dayton!" "How's the kayaking...is the river frozen?" Not all the way across, but it's frozen on the edges so we can't really get out on the water." "How about your eagles? We loved seeing them when we visited." "There are not as many... probably because the fish population is down..."

You haven't really had a true gourmet meal 'til you have dinner at Lorenz Warwar's home. Everyone starts out in the kitchen. Lorenz and her Sou-Chef Salam Mulipadie were stirring and chopping, looking in ovens, and offering everyone their seemingly endless variety of Lebanese/Syrian hors'd ouvres. "You must try this...here's a plate...help yourself...have more...you haven't tried this..." By this time everyone was stuffed-to-the-gills - but that was only the hors'd ouvres. "Now you'll leave the kitchen and sit at the dining room table while we arrange our buffet table!" And with that - eggplant casseroles, beautiful beef, delicious rice, breads, green salads, and 'sides' were offered. Or we should say 'ordered' to be eaten!

As everyone groaned: "I can't eat another bite!" – the dessert was served! 'It' was a huge bowl filled with a gelatinous base and covered with ground nuts etc. "Now this hasn't a calorie!" said Lorenz. "It's made with rice flour and…" And it was absolutely delicious and who cared about calories!

And the next several hours was pure delight! The ten to twelve guests all sat around the table and **Dr. Sam Mulipadie** was asked to tell a joke. He did and there-upon so did Salam Mulipadie, and **Weezie McGinnis**, ...and **Burt Saidel** would have been hard put to maintain his 'top joke teller reputation!'

Dick Cummings talked about the progress he's making on the building covering the 'Deeds Barn' at Carillon Park. "It's been too cold to work – at least for several of my crew of Volunteers...most of them are over eighty and they're the best. Burt Saidel and his 'God Squad' are always there ...and you can imagine what our lunch conversation is like... hope I'll remember to tell some of these joke to tell Burt."

Do & Jack Wagner were at the table. And Do's sister, **Phyllis** was there from Florida. **Marty** and **Fred Ohmer** hadn't left for Florida yet ...'cause it's too cold down there and the trip down would be tough. And besides...what would the 'Chicken Gang' do without us?"

Jan. 18th the seventh annual

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Breakfast was held at Christ United Methodist Church in Kettering. People were invited for a 7:30 AM breakfast and there were several hundred participants.

George Liston was one of the early arrivals. He was a Judge for the 'K through 12 MLK' art and literary competition for Oakwood, and Kettering students. When asked about his son, Jeff Liston, Oakwood '74 grad, he said Jeff had been named in the top fifty lawyers of Columbus. Eva Garman of One Lincoln Park Manor was another friend who'd bought a table for the Breakfast.

Joanne McPortland was at the table. Judging from the number of Committee members who consulted with her during the program she obviously was a prime mover for the event. Mary Beth Gibson, Mary Hawn, and Laurie Quill were introduced to the table.

Oakwood's former Mayor, Judy Cook was involved with the student contestants. Jamie Jarosik served as Mistress of Ceremonies, Rabbi Bernard Barsky gave the opening prayer. Kettering Mayor Don Patterson, and Oakwood's Mayor William Duncan greeted guests.

Megan Ritter, first place winner of the 'Written Expression' category reminded attendees that Dr. King won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964...and was assassinated in 1968 at the age of thirty nine!



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January is school board recognition month

By Dr. Mary Jo Scalzo Superintendent, Oakwood Schools

It is hard to believe it is the middle of January already - the month of new beginnings. For students, educators, and educational policy makers, it is a second chance to recommit ourselves to the optimism and determination with which we began the school year. It is an opportunity to examine priorities and review the goals we set in August, evaluate current status and direction, and make adjustments as necessary. January is also the opportune time to recognize the elected officials who, as members of the Board of Education, are charged with carrying out the constitutional mandate to administer the school system of each district.

School board members make policy; approve contracts with employees; choose curriculum; adopt budgets; and select a superintendent, treasurer and business manager to administer the district. Their primary agenda is student achievement and their role is to invest in sound decision-making that supports community engagement and fiscal accountability in promoting student achievement. More emphatically, as federal and state mandates legislated by politicians become more prescriptive about what students learn, who will teach them, what kinds of services, facilities, and funding will support instruction, members of local boards of education must keep a keen eye on the political landscape and be the voice of their communities in keeping state legislators apprised of their community's educational priorities.

Being an effective school board member requires a commitment to leadership, and consensus building. It demands fortitude, resiliency, and perseverance in tackling complex funding, educational and social issues. In governing our public schools, board members give countless hours of personal time with little compensation for their efforts. Their public service exemplifies the tradition of volunteerism that is a hallmark of American society.

This January, communities throughout Ohio are invited to honor the contributions and dedication of their local school board members:

Oakwood Board of Education Sam Davis Chris Epley Kathy Hollingsworth Mike Miller Elizabeth Reger Kettering Board of Education George Bayless Jim Brown Julie Gilmore Lori Sims Jim Trent

Let us salute the members of the Oakwood and Kettering Boards of Education for their commitment to public service. Let us appreciate the voice they bring to public debate. Let us thank them for their unselfish devotion of time and service to carry on the mission and business of these school districts. Let us take the time to recognize their commitment to our communities.

Student aid applications now available

Parents of high school seniors: Now is the time to fill out the free application for Student Aid (FAFSA). The application is available online at www.fafsa. ed.gov. A Student Aid Report (SAR) is generated from the completed FAFSA application and is required for most scholarships, including all of those offered through the Dayton-Montgomery County Scholarship Program (DMCSP). The DMCSP scholarship applications will be available in the OHS Guidance Office on Feb. 22, 2010. The deadline for all of the DMCSP scholarships is March 23, 2010.

Do you need help completing your FAFSA? College Goal Sunday is a day when FREE, professional assistance completing your FAFSA. This event will be held on Feb. 14, 2010, at both Wright State University and the University of Dayton, at 2 p.m. To register, go to <u>www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org.</u> Please consult with the individual college your student will be attending in the fall for specific FAFSA deadlines to be considered for financial aid.

The Guidance Office updates the Scholarship Section of the PrepHQ website with every scholarship opportunity that comes into the office. Please check the website on a regular basis www.prephq.com/?id=Oakwood. Use your senior student's account number to access information on the site.

Islamic sociologist to speak at Wright Library

Dr. Musa Shteiwi, a Fulbright Visiting Specialist at Central State University. Wright State University, and Sinclair Community College through the Fulbright's "Direct Access to the Muslim World" program, will present a lecture, "Societal Modernization in the Middle East," at Wright Memorial Public Library on Thursday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. Dr. Shteiwi, who earned his Master's and Ph.D at the University of Cincinnati, is a sociologist with fourteen years of experience teaching at the University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan, where he teaches in the Gender Studies and Human Rights and Development programs in addition to the Sociology Department. This program will take place in the library meeting room. Anyone with questions can contact the library at (937) 294-7171.





65 OHS students attend OMUN conference

Sixty-five Oakwood High School students attended Ohio Model United Nations (OMUN), Ohio's largest global education and leadership program, in Columbus, Ohio during Jan. 10–12. These dedicated students were involved in an adventure that not only taught the peacekeeping and humanitarian efforts of the United Nations, but also introduced them to other cultures throughout the world. Oakwood students represented seven different nations that included the following members:

Romania- Sofia Snyder,

Stephanie Telek, Kristie Enns, Jenny McCarthy, Sarah McAllister, Margaret Thompson, Jessica Herringer, Amy Thie, Alexandra Morris, and Erika Meitzner

Maldives- Rachel Ramey, Maddie Burke, Maddie Maney, M.E. Labrie, Grace Hahn, Tiffany Loftus, Katherine Andersen, Grant Cothrel, Annie Bartlett, Celia Rasmussen, Sophie Shephard, and Kathryn Witteosh

Ghana- Ally Brock, Sam Smith, Peter McMillan, Shelby Howell, Madeline Lehrner, Courtney Bachmann, Jackie Pavlofsky, Kim Eldridge, and Kate Hochwalt

Ethiopia- Tia Manavis, Emma Hahn, Taylor Morrissey, Colette Belden, Ryan White, Duncan Richards, Alexa Coon, Hank Beyer, and Katja Molinara

Haiti- Audrey Maney, Tristan Anstadt, Daniel Dreshner, Cody Officer, Hunter Anstadt, Troy Gould, Drew Smith, Erin Golden, Sam Swift, Katie Taylor, and Hunter Hubbard

Sri Lanka- Maddy DeBrosse, Rita Oliss, Autumn Bruno, Ericka Griep, Hannah McCarthy, Ellen Vireckl, Sarah Wilhoit, and Grace

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Serbia- Tyler Murphy, Nick Grilliot, Tyler Maschino, Leo Schenk, Raphael Crum, and Cameron Long

While the art of debate and the use of compromise and peace negotiation are highly stressed over competition, individuals and nations are still recognized for accomplishments, and Oakwood did not leave empty-handed! Congratulations are in order to the members of Romania for receiving an Outstanding Nation award. Attendee, Tyler Murphy, received an Outstanding Leader award for work within his group. Madeline Lehrner was elected as a Council President for next year's OMUN. Finally, Tyler Dillon and Mason Cammel represented Oakwood well as two of this year's OMUN Council Presidents.

Many thanks to Mrs. Barb Telek for chaperoning. Her continued support and dedication is immeasurable and assists advisors in being able to take such a large group of students. Overall, these Oakwood student participants well represented their school, community and families!

Smith 6th graders compete in Geography Bee



The sixth graders in Mrs. Buffington's social studies classes at Smith Elementary School competed in the National Geography Bee, a contest sponsored by the National Geographic Society. 90 sixth graders participated in seven preliminary rounds of the Geography Bee. Ten students advanced to the final rounds and two students earned a spot in the championship round. Henry Mosser and Alex Yungblut battled it out in the championship round. Congratulations to Henry Mosser, Smith School's Geography Bee Champion! Alex Yungblut was the runner-up, and Jason Otis earned third place. The other finalists included Jack Eifert, Megan Schmitz, Abby Welch, Abby Eifert, Olivia Anstadt, Cassidy Fry, and Samantha Wolf.





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Muse Machines' Singin' in the Rain 'sensational'

— Arts





The Muse Machine's target for its annual musical has a bull's eye riddled with dead center shots. For 26 years, this burgeoning bunch of young artists has delighted audiences with fully staged musicals.

Season after season, the exuberant crowd leaving the theater has a single paean, "This one was the best ever." What is the secret to their amazing success story?

Is it the sheer beauty of these kids on stage? Is it the expert direction of mentors like now retired choreographer Nat Horne and music director David Düsing? Is it the tremendous support of the Muse Machine staff who gathers the "nitty gritty" pieces such as sets, tickets and rehearsal schedules into a performable mass? Is it the devoted costume making, car pooling and encouraging parents? Is it the inspiration of Suzy Bassani and her kitchen table associates who carried this spark of an idea into reality?

The answer is simple – it is all of these priceless ingredients mixed together in a bowl sparkling with joy, devotion and, by the end, complete exhaustion. We remember the early musicals, held in high school auditoriums. They were good with the promise of things to come.

The break came, more than 20 years ago when Suzy prevailed on Nat Horne and David Düsing to take several months' hiatus in their careers to come to Dayton each year. They were able to transmit their own experience, talent and love for theater to generations of this amazing talent pool.

That history brings us to this year's extravaganza. The Comden/ Green/Brown/Freed film musical *Singin' in the Rain* is the most successful musical film in history. It is on TV forever reminding us that Gene Kelly, Donald O'Connor and Debbie Reynolds are the best. But – are they? With a display

of sheer guts and indomitable will, the Muse Machine kids brought *Singin' in the Rain* to life on the Victoria stage, including streaming rain, flashing umbrellas and non-stop dancing. It was sensational!

The great songs, "You Are My Lucky Star," "You Were Meant for Me," and, of course, "Singin' in the Rain," were all belted out with verve and élan. The wellremembered rain sequence poured gallons of water over our smiling kids and spread their moistened joy into the audience.

The cast was all-star down to a few completely darling little kids hoofing it with the rest. The principals, yes, there is a plot and a happy ending, are amazing talents. To make it simple, Gene Kelly was played by rubber-legged Oakwood's Tyler Rife. Donald O'Connor lived again in the irrepressible persona of Oakwood's Noah Berry, and darling Debbie Reynolds was just as darling when played by Versailles' Abby Brown.

The most amazing and unusual role was sex-bomb Lina Lamont, originally played by Jean Hagen. Stunning beauty Bradley Farmer not only looked the part to abject perfection but was able to create the grating voice which moved silent films into "talkies."

Listening to her assassinating the dulcet tones of a singing star with comic perfection and who knows what damage to her vocal apparatus, was a new experience. It made the show even greater than the sum of all its parts.

There was an additional milestone reached this year. The first Muse Machine three generational span went into theatrical history when Molly Woodhull trod the same boards as her grandmother Jean did in her cameo appearance in *Damn Yankees*.

Another amazing first was the clever interjection of black and white movies, capturing the lost magic of the silent screen. The student orchestra gave the music life from first to last notes. The choreography, now in the inspired hands and feet of Lula Elzy, carried on the genius of Nat Horne.

The entire production was in honor of Nat. His smile clearly indicated how proud he was of his kids. So were we! Every member of the cast, the backstage crew, the orchestra, the film created under David Sherman, the production of Douglas Merk and the organizational skills of Luke Dennis and staff made this another "best one ever." My bet is that they will repeat that "best one ever" next year. Soirees Musicales

This is the last season of the storied piano recital series, Soirées Musicales. Iconic piano mentor Don Hageman has created and nursed it for 40 years. He has brought many of the world's greatest pianists to Dayton, often for many visits.

At each of this season's recitals we hear the same comment – only so many more to go. In this case, there are only three more. The loyal audience is yet to come to grips with reality, but we revel in each experience.

For the January concert, Don returned Cuban pianist Juana Zayas to the Shiloh Church stage. Zayas has an amazing technical brilliance and indomitable power, giving the magnificent Grotrian piano orchestral qualities.

This program, beginning with Bach and moving through ten Scarlatti sonatas to a Clemente sonata was a bit too much of that genre of music. The dynamic sameness of Zayas' playing rendered them into a too similar musical offering.

The original name for the piano was *pianoforte* meaning soft-loud. Perhaps this concert could have been called a Forte Recital instead of a Piano Recital?

Nevertheless, Zayas' brilliance is absolute. The audience loved her incredible speed and power especially in Chopin and Liszt works ending the printed program. After three encores, the pianist and piano deserved the kudos of the audience.

Alas, only three more to go. What will replace Don and his magnificent artists?





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Bach Birthday Bash slated for Jan. 22

Celebrate the birthday of one of music's greatest and oldest, J.S. Bach. Peter Schickele and P.D.Q. Bach come to Dayton, Friday January 22, 2010 for a 325th birthday party. For decades, Peter Schickele has entertained audiences young and old with his presentations of the alleged music of one of the real Bach's many children, (the also alleged) P.D.Q. Bach. Even if classical music isn't your thing, this is a fun evening! It's classical music's answer to Saturday Night Live.

The Bach Birthday Bash features Schickele (or his alter ego, Professor Schickele) and P.D.Q. Bach in an evening of laughter, music, satire and mischief. Joining Professor Schickele will be singers Michele Eaton and David Dusing (Musical Director of the Muse Machine.

Patron tickets are \$100, which include reserved seating and the gala reception with refreshments served. Supporter tickets are \$28 for reserved seating. Tickets are available through Culture Works online at http://cultureworks.tix. com or by calling 937-222-2787. Proceeds from the Bach Birthday Bash will help to underwrite the performance of a major Bach work in 2011, according to Bach Society Board President Margaret Karns.

So, mark your calendars for a lot of fun and a little mischief as Peter Schickele and P.D.Q. Bach come to the Dayton Masonic Center Friday, Jan. 22 at 7 p.m. Patron tickets are \$100 which includes reserved seating and the gala reception with refreshments served. Supporter tickets are \$28 for reserved seating. Tickets are available through Culture Works online at http://cultureworks.tix. com or by calling 937-222-2787.

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Individual base metal materials are purchased by the student, all other supplies are provided by Rosewood. Instructor: Teresa Olavarria, Oakwood resident. Register by calling 296-0294.

Young Victoria a china doll set piece

By Frank Stanko

Viewers of *The Young Victoria*, playing at the Neon Theatre, are not necessarily there for the history. The story of Victoria's early years as Queen of England is available to anyone with an encyclopedia.

Since we know Victoria's safe from revolution or assassination, the viewer focuses on the woman herself. As played by Emily Blunt, Victoria is a fairly ordinary young woman, not like the china doll she is likened to by her main rival, Sir John (Mark Strong). She slouches in garden benches, lets her feet dangle as she sits, and often looks uncertain.

She has every right to be. King William (Jim Broadbent) is aging, and she's next in line. Her mother, the Duchess of Kent (Miranda Richardson), and Kent's obviously kept man, Sir John, provide self-serving advice, but like any 17-year-old, Victoria has little interest in what adults have to say.

Although Victoria did cap-

ture my sympathy and interest, I put up with what seemed like an inordinate amount of time watching teenage angst, right down to such purple lines of dialogue as "Sometimes a palace can be a prison."

It's a shame such flamboyance didn't carry into writer Julian Fellowes' portrayal of Victoria's two suitors, Lord Melbourne (Paul Bettany) and Prince Albert (Rupert Friend). Both are merely too nice. We see Albert studying Victoria's likes and dislikes, and the sly rebuke she gives him for this, but that's early on. From then on, their marriage is guaranteed.

Furthermore, it's a shame *The Young Victoria* is so bound to its castle sets. If Victoria is going to insist Albert has such passion for the poor, I want to see him doing more than drawing her a picture of a duplex. The poor that Victoria cares so much about (lest we missed it, an end title says so), provide only unintentional comedy, claiming Victoria fell under the spell of "the great seducer" Melbourne. Picking out Victoria's ladies-in-waiting is seduction?

The closest thing to villains *The Young Victoria* offers is Richardson and Strong. Richardson does her best, but she's terminally subdued. Thus, Strong is left with the villain duties, which he does with relish and much kicking. Kicking Victoria's dog and later a chair in Buckingham Palace...I expected him to kick a sack of money after being accused ofmismanaging Victoria's funds.

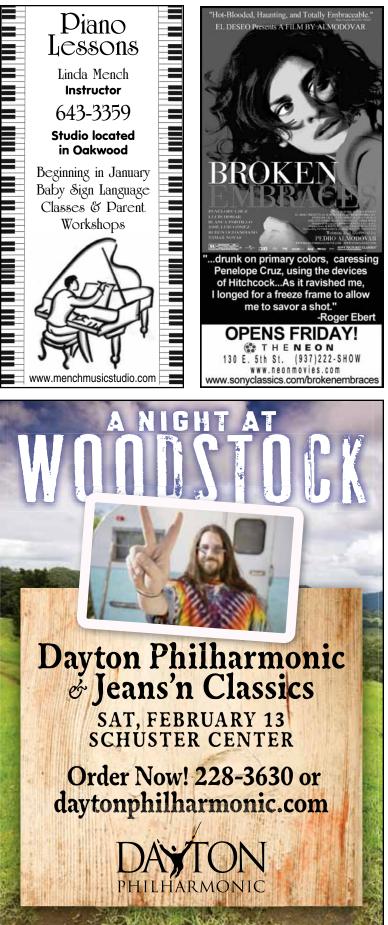
Director Jean-Marc Vallée uses many visual tricks in *The Young Victoria*. Some work, some don't. A line of goblets on King William's banquet table emerging from a soft focus blur works. Beginning a crucial scene with five seconds of soft focus doesn't work. Although I was thankful for subtitles to identify various castles early on, I think Buckingham Palace is recognizable on its own.

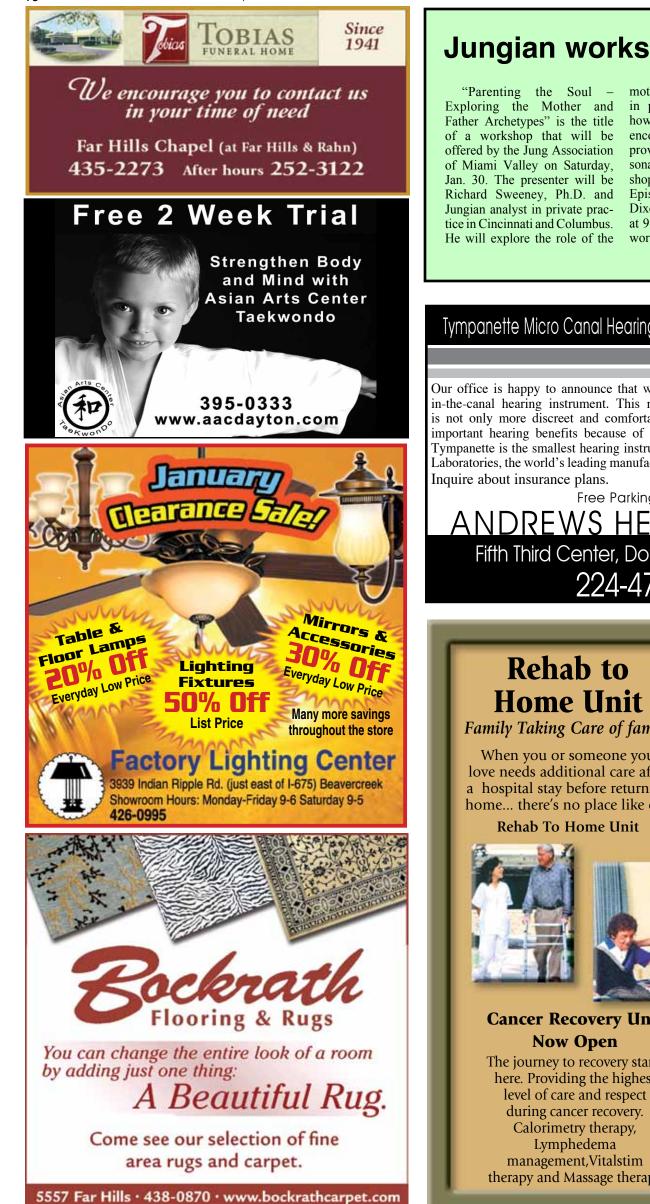
Hazardous waste pickup offered Jan. 23

Oakwood Rotary volunteers will come to your home on Saturday, Jan. 23, to collect some of the things we all have taking up space in our basements or garages that the weekly trash pickup are not permitted to collect: paint cans, stains, thinners, pesticides and batteries.

Call 296-5155 and leave your name, address before Friday, Jan. 22 at noon, and the items will be collected between 9 a.m. and noon on Saturday, Jan. 23. There is no charge for this volunteer service, yet you may make a tax-deductible donation to the "Oakwood Rotary Club Foundation" and leave that with the items in a well-marked envelope or mail to PO Box 512, Dayton OH 45409.







Jungian workshop slated for Jan. 30

mother and father archetypes in personal development and how family complexes can be encountered and transformed, providing healing for the personality and the soul. The workshop will take place at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 33 West Dixon, Oakwood. It will begin at 9:30 and end at 1:30. Lunchworthy snacks and beverages will be provided. 3.5 CEU's are approved for social workers, counselors, and marriage and family therapists. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$45 for those pre–registered by Jan. 28 and \$55 at the door. Send registration to Jung Association, 6399 Sweet Briar Lane, Dayton, Ohio 45459. See us on the web at www.jungdayton.org.



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On Dec. 16, we mailed 2,399 lids to Yoplait for its breast cancer fundraiser for Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Each lid is worth 10 cents so we mailed in \$233.90 worth! Thank you to everyone who participated by bringing in lids or sponsoring our collection cans around town, especially in the schools and Wright Library!

BIG THANK YOU'S to our local Brownie troops for their help with this fundraiser. Brownie Troop 32523 led by Vicki Campbell created the beautiful bright pink collection boxes and distributed them around town. Brownie Troop 30031 led by Darcy Plunkett took on the Herculean task of sorting, counting, and bagging the 2,000+ lids at their December meeting.

We have collected lids in our community for the last six years, and this makes our total contribution almost 16,000 lids, or \$1,600. Thank you to all the families who participate each year. If you have questions about this fundraiser or want to join our team, please contact Leigh Ann Fulford at 294-3816.

Here's to a CURE and SOON!

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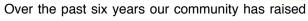


Brownie Troop 32523 creates and shows off Yoplait Lid containers that they distributed around town to collect yogurt lids for breast cancer.





Brownie Troop 30031 sorts, counts, and bags more than 2,000 foil yogurt lids. Over the past six years our community has raised more than \$1,600 for the Susan G. Komen fundraiser sponsored by Yoplait.









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TO ORDER TICKETS, CALL 937-496-3863. Buy tickets, listen to artist sound clips & see the complete calendar at www.cityfolk.org.

After school movie at Wright Library

On Friday, Jan. 22, at 3:45 p.m., the library will be showing *Hotel* for Dogs, an adaptation of the Lois Duncan novel of the same name about two orphans who take in stray dogs at an empty hotel. Both movies are rated PG. The movie will be shown in the Library Meeting Room.

Feel free to bring your own snacks and drinks. For more information, please contact the Youth Services Department at 294-7171.

Oakwood singles info meeting Jan. 26

POSSSIE: Professional Oakwood Singles in Service, Socialization and Self Improvement Education marked its one year anniversary in December 2009, celebrating the first ever effort in Oakwood to unite single members of the community for community service involvement, social activities and educational opportunities.

The composition of the group includes professionals from multiple disciplines including nursing, law, finance, teaching, veterinary medicine, small business and many others. The age range of members is wide, from the 30's to 70's, with the average probably in the 40's. Many new friendships have been formed amongst these single community members whom, prior to joining the group, did not know each other.

The only major challenge the group has faced over the year was not having a dedicated place to hold its meetings on a regular basis. The group hopes to see more men joining its ranks this year. Currently, ladies outnumber the men. If you are a single resident of Oakwood and would like to meet new friends with whom to socialize, serve the community and learn through attending workshops, you should consider joining this group.

An informational meeting for prospective new members will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Wright Library meeting room. For details, call Kathy at 974-4951.

Oakwood Girl Scouts taking cookie orders

Beginning Jan. 8, girls in the Oakwood area began taking Girl Scout cookie orders. All proceeds from the sale of Girl Scout cookies stay in the local community. Girl Scout cookies are a familiar part of American culture. For more than 80 years, Girl Scouts, with the enthusiastic support of their families have helped ensure the success of local Girl Scout cookie activities.

"I sold Girl Scout cookies when I was a girl, and now my daughter is selling them today" said Brownie Troop leader and *Oakwood Register* office manager, Vicki Auditore.

This year Girl Scout cookies are available in eight varieties and sell for \$3.50 per package. Perennial favorites include Thin Mints, Shortbreads, Caramel DeLites, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Peanut Butter Patties, Lemonades, Thanks-A-Lots and Reduced Fat Daisy Go Rounds.

To locate cookies, volunteer your time, make a donation or find out more, call 1-800-233-4845 or visit www.girlscoutsofwesternohio. org.





Kickball

Youth Activities **Snowman Building**

Looking for something to do during Winter Break? On Friday, Feb.19, come down to Old River Sports Complex with your friends and build a snowman. This is open to children of all ages.

Adults are encouraged to attend, required if children are less than 12 years of age. This activity is outside, please dress appropriately.

18th Annual Family 2-on-2 Basketball Tournament

This Round Robin half court basketball tournament is open to any Oakwood child in 3rd through 6th grade and a related adult (example teams: father/daughter, aunt/nephew, etc.) Teams will be split into a boys and girls division. If there are not enough teams to split into two divisions, we will integrate boys and girls together like in past years. Teams will be place in divisions according to grade level and gender of the youth. The adult player must be 18 years of age or older.

Youth Volleyball

Bump-Set-Spike. Learn the Basics of volleyball under the instruction of Kelly Neff & Julie Thompson. This fun, fast-paced sport is open to boys and girls grades 4th through 6th.

Girls Field Hockey

Another season of OCC Field Hockey is around the corner! In cooperation with OHS, the program will start indoors, at OHS West Gym. It will move to Irving Field on Irving Avenue next to Patterson Park Little League Complex. This fun, fast-paced sport is open to girls grades 4th through 6th Learn the basics of this exciting sport in a safe and educational atmosphere. Mouth guards, shin guards, and gym shoes are required. All other equipment will be provided. Lindsay Schafer coach of OHS Girls Field Hockey team will again be coaching this year along with the high school varsity and JV players. Please indicate shirt size when registration.

Coach Pitch & Teeball Clinics

T-ball will explain the fundamentals of hitting off of a tee, throwing a baseball, fielding ground balls and running the bases. Parents will learn side-by-side with their future all-star players. This is an opportunity to be with your child as they establish stronger motor skills and develop a sense of accomplishment. To be able

your child is priceless. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Coach pitch will explain the fundamentals of hitting a pitch from the Coach, throwing a baseball, fielding ground balls, running the bases, proper way to catch fly balls, which base to throw to and why. This is a great introduction to the sport of baseball. Volunteer coaches are needed.

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Letters to the Editor

Thank you, Oakwood!

A tremendous thank you to all of the generous people who donated eyeglasses for the Mayan People of Guatemala. Because of you there will be 580 people in the Lake Atitlan area who will be able to see their

schoolwork, work more efficiently to earn a living, and be able to see the beautiful countryside and colors of Guatemala. Sharon, the founder of www.MayanFamilies.com, a non profit organization in Guatemala

Mess left at Wright mansion

This morning as I was walking my dog, I counted 60 piles of dog feces on the lawn of Hawthorn Hill along the sidewalks bordering Harman and Park Avenues and an additional 15 piles between the mansion property and the corner of Ridgeway Road. The Wright mansion is the crown jewel of Oakwood and a national treasure, so I simply

don't understand how so many people could be so thoughtless. Maybe they thought dog poop would melt away with the snow or maybe they just didn't care. Whatever the case, they've left an unsanitary, disgusting mess for the rest of us.

Please remind people to clean up after their pets even when it snows. And please join conscienwhom the eyeglasses will benefit, is thrilled with the amount collected!

Muchas Gracias! The Wagner Family

tious dog owners in asking the city to position more public trash cans and/or pet stations throughout the neighborhoods to make it easier to dispose of pet waste. Thank you for your help in keeping Oakwood beautiful.

D. M. Price Oakwood

House Bill 2 affects driver's license charges

Hey Folks,

Just wanted to tell you all of a change in the law for renewing your licenses, plates and stickers. In the past you had the entire month of your birthday to renew. BUT...due to the fact the Ohio State Highway Patrol is running in a huge deficit, they changed the law so that you must renew PRIOR to your birthday. This was due to the passage of HB2.

They intentionally did not inform anyone so they can attach a \$20 late fee to every person with a license in Ohio who doesn't know about the change! (I didn't see any of this on the news or in the paper.) They got me for two cars this month and they refused to waive it. That was \$40 I had to pay. This state is sneaky so I want to make sure that no other person pays it. Make certain that you forward this email or one of your own to everyone you have in your contact book. This is not right and we should not be tricked into paying for the State's inability to run a business within a budget.

Ohio's license renewal website: https://www.oplates.com/

Michael D. Ryan

Police Report

DECEMBER 31

Incidents

BURGLARY: In the 100 block of Woodburn Ave. – Missing items reported: Sony flat-screen TV, large diamond ring, CD of photos. Investigation will follow.

JANUARY 1

Incidents

KEG ORDINANCE VIOLATION: In the 900 block of Runnymede Rd. – Police investigated allegation of underage drinking party. Person found by curb with odor of intoxicant and unsteady on feet waiting for ride from and released to mother. Upon entering house 40 people were in vestibule. Contact information taken, party dispersed, parents contacted to determine they arrived home safely. 18-year-old resident arrested.

Citations

Latoria Glover, speeding Joseph Voiles, expired plates

JANUARY 2

Incidents

THEFT: In the Oakwood Community Center parking area – NUVI 250 GPS was stolen from unlocked truck during night. No damage to vehicle, no serial number, no evidence.

Citations

Michael J. Scott, speeding

JANUARY 3

Incidents

FAILURE TO DISCLOSE PERSONAL INFORMATION TO PEACE OFFI-CER: In the 200 block of E. Dixon Ave. – Juvenile refused to disclose personal information to peace officer when asked at alleged underage drinking party on Runnymede Rd. January 1, 2010. Later, juvenile was consequently placed under arrest, transported to police station, charged and released to parents.

Citations

Bhavya Rehani, expired plates Conner Charbat, speeding Terry Hill, expired plates

JANUARY 4

Citations

Jeffery J. Spires, speeding Holly Kerr, speeding, school zone Lee Kellogg, speeding Demetria Barnett, speeding Rachel Wilhoit, following too closely Janine Baer, expired plates Theresa Hammons, speeding Alicia Slusser, speeding Nelson D. Steinke, speeding Dale A. Tucker, driving under suspension
JANUARY 5

Citations

Matthew C. Owens, speeding David B. Manley, non stop red light Thomas H. Shafor, parking where signs prohibit Kim Y. Wade, stop sign Susan M. Gosser, speeding Jill P. Strong, speeding Ian B. Ballard, expired plates Alexander Cox Taylor, expired plates Evan Marlin, speeding Stephanie Fraser Dennis, speeding, school zone

Lee C. Kennedy, seat belt required

JANUARY 6

Incidents

FAILURE TO CONTROL & LEAV-ING SCENE OF ACCIDENT - Near intersection of Telford and Far Hills unit #1 (Douglas Simon, Jr.) drove vehicle off road traveling through bushes and striking metal gate then driving north-bound through front yard before exiting back onto Far Hills and failing to report incident to property owners or police. Unit #1 left part of front bumper assembly and license plate nearby and came back just long enough to retrieve front license plate. Off-duty police officer witnessed retrieval, followed Chevy S-10 to get license number and called it into police station. Suspect was located, interviewed, and read Miranda Rights. Driver admitted to not stopping, agreed to write voluntary statement and released with two citations

BURGLARY – In the 500 block of Acorn Dr. resident reported a stolen Sony Blue Ray disc player. Upon arrival home at 8:25pm discovered rear bedroom window had been broken and muddy footprints across bed. Photographs of footprints leading to and from window were taken and fingerprints inside the house were dusted. Investigation continues.

Citations

Barbara Delph, speeding Douglas Simon, Jr., leaving the scene of an accident, failure to control Mary Schmitt, seat belt required

JANUARY 7

Incidents

VEHICLE TRESPASS – In the 500 block of Woodview complainant advised Toyota SW may have been entered during night as it was parked in driveway near street. No official report taken.

VEHICLE TRESPASS – In the 0-99 block of Greenmount Blvd. resident found all compartments in vehicle open inside Toyota, unlocked and parked in driveway. Nothing taken and leather bag left undis-Continued on page 15

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PART 1 CRIMES

November 1, 2009 – January 11, 2010

12/22/09	Agg. burglary	327 Forrer Blvd.
11/25/09	Att. burglary	1101 Runnymede
11/10/09	Breaking & entering	1526 E. Schantz
11/23/09	Breaking & entering	412 Greenmount
12/29/09	Breaking & entering	820 Oakwood
12/14/09	Breaking & entering	437 Hadley
11/24/09	Burglary	206 Wiltshire
11/24/09	Burglary	1211 Runnymede
11/25/09	Burglary	235 Ridgewood
12/30/09	Burglary	314 Spirea
12/31/09	Burglary	132 Woodburn
01/06/10	Burglary	536 Acorn
01/09/10	Burglary	901 Acorn
11/25/09	Theft from vehicle	444 E. Schantz
11/29/09	Theft from vehicle	40 Shafor Circle
11/29/09	Theft from vehicle	104 Acacia
12/14/09	Theft from vehicle	404 Corona
12/15/09	Theft from vehicle	555 Acorn
12/15/09	Theft from vehicle	820 Acorn
12/18/09	Theft from vehicle	249 Orchard
12/22/09	Theft from vehicle	401 E. Hadley
12/22/09	Theft from vehicle	410 Telford
11/25/09	Theft from vehicle	2532 Roanoke
11/27/09	Theft from vehicle	318 Beverly
12/29/09	Theft from vehicle	21 Walnut
12/30/09	Theft from vehicle	516 Shafor Blvd.
12/31/09	Theft from vehicle	30 Grandon
01/02/10	Theft from vehicle	50 Ivanhoe
01/06/10	Theft from vehicle	35 Greenmount
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	4 Greenmount
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	235 Acorn
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	552 Woodview
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	16 Greenmount
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	325 E. Thruston
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	11 Greenmount
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	508 Acorn
01/07/10	Theft from vehicle	235 Acorn
01/09/10	Theft from vehicle	W. Dixon/Harman
12/25/09	Vehicle theft	101 W. Hadley
01/07/10	Vehicle theft	356 Telford
01/09/10	Vehicle theft	901 Acorn

Some crime prevention tips to consider

By Capt. Randy Baldridge Oakwood Safety Officer

Graphed out above are a series of eight burglaries, three car thefts, four breaking and enterings and 25 thefts from vehicles, all taking place in Oakwood from Nov. 1, 2009 to Jan. 11, 2010.

To protect yourself and your property, the Oakwood Public Safety Department would like to suggest the following crime prevention and safety tips. If going out, park in a well lighted area, lock your vehicle and remove all valuables and place them out of sight. Upon returning to your vehicle, know where you parked and attempt to stay with other shoppers when in parking lots. Have your keys ready as you approach your vehicle and scan the area for suspicious persons or activity. Return to the store if at anytime you do not feel safe. Ask for security or the police to

be called for an escort if necessary. Do not leave your purse unattended in a shopping cart even for a few seconds. Do not give out your personal information to anyone you do not know. Identity theft is a growing problem with many unsuspecting victims. Carefully review all credit card and bank statements to make sure you authorized the transactions on your accounts.

At home, keep doors and windows locked. Do not open your doors to strangers. If going away, stop your deliveries or have a neighbor retrieve all mail, newspapers and packages daily. Consider leaving lights on timers both inside and out. Have a neighbor watch your home and consider requesting the Safety Department conduct vacation house checks while you are away. This is a free service provided to our residents as an extra crime prevention measure and to provide some added peace of mind to you while you are away from your home.

At home, park your cars in a well lighted area or leave outside lights turned on. Lock car doors and remove all valuables, including loose change, from the interior. Crime prevention measures work to deter criminals who are in many cases opportunists looking for quick easy cash or valuables they can sell. Preventing and deterring crime takes a community wide effort and a partnership between residents and the Safety Department.

Most crimes are deterred and criminals apprehended when alert citizens see suspicious activity and call 911 immediately to report it. Never hesitate to report what you believe to be suspicious or illegal activity to the Safety Department so we can investigate and take the appropriate action.

Police Report

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turbed. Dusted for prints and checked with neighbors

VEHICLE TRESPASS - In the 0-99 block of Greenmount Blvd. Chevy pickup parked on street had change missing from ashtray and contents of glove box strewn about. No prints found.

VEHICLE TRESPASS - In the 200 block of Acorn resident reported glove box contents strewn about in both vehicles. Chevy truck and GMC Yukon as they were unlocked and parked behind house. Shoe prints in snow photographed, no fingerprints lifted.

VEHICLE TRESPASS - In the 0-99 block of Greenmount Blvd. resident heard door to their black Ford opening in driveway and observed suspect fleeing on foot through yards. Console of vehicle out of order and glove box ajar. Nothing missing. Shoe prints photographed. Investigation continues.

GRAND THEFT - In the 300 block of Telford police were dispatched to the scene of reported auto theft. Complainant stated they woke in morning to find Toyota missing from driveway. Broken tempered glass was present indicating forced entry.

Pharmaceuticals were stored in vehicle at time of theft. Vehicle recovered on Gunkel St. in Dayton with back driver's side

window broken and trunk ajar. Contents of purse were dumped on front seat and few pharmaceutical samples strewn about on ground. Tow truck sent to retrieve vehicle. Victim advised.

ACCIDENT - Near the intersection of Schenck Ave. and E. Schantz Ave. unit #1 (Steve Catalano) lost control traveling east on Schenck, went up on curb and collided with row of shrubs. Bushes damaged, report taken and property owner advised.

JANUARY 8

Incidents

ACCIDENT - Near the intersection of Orchard Dr. and Hathaway Rd. Unit #1 (Valentina Shampton) was traveling eastbound on Orchard Dr. when approached stop sign at Hathaway. Road was covered with ice and snow and when unit #1 applied brakes it slid through intersection. Unit #2 (Aaron S. Delidow) swerved to the right to avoid impact and struck telephone pole. No injuries. Unit #1 not cited due to weather conditions. Unit #2 towed from scene.



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of the City of Oakwood, Montgomery County, Ohio, will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 4:30 p.m., in the Oakwood Council Chambers, 30 Park Avenue, Dayton, OH, 45419, to review a request by Larry Hyatt to vary the rear yard setback for an addition at 218 Rubicon Road, and known as lot #129, pt 128.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Kip Bohachek, Chair Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)





