

obituarials

NORMAN H. TOBEL

Mr. Tobel, 73, of Southfield died Dec. 14 in Providence Hospital, Southfield. Mr. Tobel was a salesman for Dunhams. He was the first Fire Chief of Southfield. Mr. Tobel organized the Southfield Goodfellows and Fire Department in 1942. He was a member of Hope United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; sons, Charles, Marvin and Gary; a daughter, Erma Weasch; sisters, Dorothy Johnson and Betty Plick; brother, Charles Jr., 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 17 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Carlyle F. Stewart officiating. Burial was in Southfield Cemetery, Southfield.

BETTY G. HOUGHTON

Mrs. Houghton, 64, of Farmington died Dec. 16 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia.

Born in Bad Axe, Mich., Mrs. Houghton was a legal secretary for Ogelsby

Attorneys. She was a member of Farmington Elks (Vista).

Survivors include her son, Phil; daughters, Rebecca Houghton and Teresa Firli; two grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 19 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Mass was celebrated in Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church with the Rev. Kean Cronin officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Memorials may be made to the Diabetics Association.

NITA A. GRAVES

Mrs. Graves, 78, of Farmington died Dec. 16.

Mrs. Graves was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Harold; sons, Neil and Kermit; a daughter, Karen Alexander; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 19 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Ronald E. Cary officiating. Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Birmingham.

JUNE LUCILLE ANDRIDGE

Mrs. Andridge, 69, of Wilcox died Dec. 16.

Mrs. Andridge was in Lansing, Mich. Mrs. Andridge was a homemaker. Survivors include her son, Douglas, Phillip and Richard; daughters, Linda Lee and Carla Sanabria; seven grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 19 at the Redford Baptist Church with the Rev. Wesley Evans officiating. Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

LEONARD F. KING, JR.

Mr. King, 59, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 17 in Bolsoford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Mr. King was a meat cutter at Kroger Store in downtown Farmington. He was a World War II Coast Guard veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Marian; sons, John and William; a daughter, Kristina King; one grandchild.

Services were Dec. 20 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Carl Schultz officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

recreation news

Each week the Farmington Hills Parks & Recreation Department will present a synopsis of upcoming activities in this column. For further information regarding our programs, contact our office at 474-6115. Matters regarding City Council agenda items, call our Newsline at 476-3838.

YOUTH BASKETBALL REGISTRATION — Registration is being accepted until Dec. 28, for girls in grades 9-12 for the winter recreational basketball program. Games will be played on Saturdays, beginning Jan. 5, at Oakland Community College for eight weeks. Registration flyers will be distributed to the schools or register-in-person at the Parks and Recreation office. Registration fee is \$14.

DOWNHILL SKIING — Registration is being accepted at the Parks & Recreation office for all elementary, middle and high school students. The first session is scheduled for Fridays, Jan. 4, 11 and 18. There will be a Tuesday schedule, Jan. 8, 15 and 22 for middle and high school students that will be picked up at Oakland Community College only. The ski buses will depart from sites at 4:30 p.m. and return approximately 10:15 p.m. The fee is \$36 per participant and includes tow ticket, lessons and transportation. Ski rental is additional. Register early, call space is limited.

FITNESS — Enjoy toning your body to a formulated routine of exercise and dance. The twice-a-week sessions will meet on Monday and Wednesday, beginning Jan. 7, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Pleasantville Club, 38500 Nine Mile Road, in Farmington Hills. The fee for this nine-week session is \$35 and you may pre-register at the Parks & Recreation offices.

BILL KOCH SKI LEAGUE — The Bill Koch Ski League is a Cross Country Ski Club directed to boys and girls 7-13 years of age. The league offers lessons, games, races, club patch, newsletter and more. The first session is scheduled for three consecutive Saturdays, beginning Jan. 5, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Glen Oaks Ski Center. The fee for the three-week session is \$25 and includes ski rental; \$15 with your own equipment.

YOUTH BAND — The Parks and Recreation Division is sponsoring a youth concert band for children in grades 6, 7 and 8, who have had at least six months previous instrumental instruction. Classes will be scheduled for Thursdays, beginning Jan. 10 for 10 weeks. All participants must furnish their own instruments. Registration fee is \$10 per participant.

ICE SKATING — Learn to skate or improve your technique; our lessons include the beginner through advanced. Classes meet for 30 minutes, once a week, for six weeks. Classes begin Jan. 8, and are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. for children and 7:30 and 8 p.m. for adults. All lessons will be at Beech Woods Arena and the class fee is \$25.

CPR — This American Red Cross course is a nine-hour comprehensive class and refresher course. The session will run Tuesday, Jan. 15, Thursday, Jan. 17, and Tuesday, Jan. 22. Classes will be held at O.E. Dunckel Middle School and will run from 7-10 p.m. the class fee is \$5 and includes books and handouts. Registration is required for this class.

cable connection

By Lark Samouellen
special writer

Happy New Year to our community access family.

We are looking forward to increased television programming because so many of the graduates are realizing that the most difficult step in the decision to produce a show. Pay close attention to the cable time in between programs. There are so many delightful short public service announcements about getting involved, that you won't be able to miss the fun.

On Dec. 29, the Federal Cable Deregulation Bill went into effect. This legislation was established to provide guidelines for cable industry involvement with communities throughout the nation. It does ensure that our community may continue to monitor the quality of cable and enforce our expected standards throughout the life of our franchise.

The bill also reinforces community programming as we are initiating today. The basic premise for all to think about is that the education and enjoyment which is available through cable television production shall remain intact as long as you participate.

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE CHANNEL 12
Monday, Dec. 31
• 12 noon — Rotary Senior Citizens

Christmas luncheon. Novi High Choir and Band.

• 1 p.m. — Rock Hot Shots. Playoff game.

• 1:30 p.m. — Christmas Program. First and second grade students - Orchard Hills Elementary School, Novi.
• 2 p.m. — Old Fashioned Christmas. Area high school students.

Tuesday, Jan. 1

• No programming. Wednesday, Jan. 2

• 12 noon — Cooking with Class. Holiday Hors D'oeuvres. • 12:30 p.m. — Shores of Your Mind.

• 1 p.m. — Farmington Community Library. Express Food Fun.

• 1:30 p.m. — Through the Years. Farmington High School Choir.

• 6 p.m. — Cooking with Class. Holiday Hors D'oeuvres.

• 6:30 p.m. — Shores of Your Mind.

• 7 p.m. — Farmington Community Library. Express Food Fun.

• 7:30 p.m. — Through the Years. Farmington High School Choir.

Thursday, Jan. 3

• 12 noon — Self Protection Lecture. Farmington Hills Police Dept.

• 1 p.m. — Health Talks. Healthy snacks, ear infections and scoliosis update.

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