

OBITUARIES

SISTER MARY A. CHRISTIE

Services for Sister Mary Agnes Christie, 81, Sister of Mercy, were held March 12 at the McAuley Center Chapel in Farmington Hills with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Sister Mary Agnes Christie, also known as Sister Mary Carina, died March 9, 2001. She was a teacher, administrator and pastoral minister. Born in Saginaw, she was taught by the Sisters of Mercy at St. Andrew Parish school. At 17, she joined the Sisters of Mercy at Mt. St. Agnes, Dubuque, Iowa, and in 1943 took final vows at Detroit's novitiate house on the Mercy College campus.

For 24 years, Sister Agnes was a teacher; her skills were also recruited in the supervision of student teachers. She taught at Immaculate Conception, Traverse City; Holy Name, Grand Rapids; Visitation, Bay City; St. Brigid, Midland; St. Casimir, Posen; St. Patrick, Ada; Holy Cross, Lansing; St. Mary Magdalen, Hazel Park; and in Detroit St. Monica and Immaculate Heart of Mary schools.

Meanwhile, she earned degrees from Mercy College of

Detroit, Catholic University of America, and Teachers College, Columbia University. She also attended the Theological Institute at DePere, Wis.

In 1964, she was elected to a three-year term on the Sisters of Mercy Leadership Team, after which she joined the Department of Education faculty of Mercy College of Detroit and served as education consultant for the Detroit, Dubuque (Iowa) and Lansing dioceses.

In 1977, after 30-some years in education, she accepted a position in pastoral ministry at St. Agnes parish, Freeland. On her retirement in 1992, the parish renamed its education wing, the Christie Center.

Sister Agnes retired to McAuley Center in 1995. She is survived by a brother, William; several nieces and nephews; and the sisters of her community.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mercy Retirement Fund, 29000, 11 Mile, Farmington Hills, MI 48337-1405.

ELIJAH M. YOUNG

Services for infant Elijah Michael Young of Pontiac were March 16 at Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington

by her husband, Clyde. Memorial contributions may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation.

Arrangements made by Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington.

HELEN A. NUERNBERG

Services for Helen A. Nuernberg, 73, of Farmington Hills, will be held 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 20 at St. Fabian Catholic Church in Farmington Hills. Visitation will be held from 2-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Sunday and Monday, March 18 and 19 at McCabe Funeral Home in Farmington Hills.

Mrs. Nuernberg was born in Detroit and died March 16, 2001 at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She worked as a secretary for Daigleish Cadillac for 45 years and was an original member of St. Fabian Catholic Church.

She is survived by husband M.E. "Gus"; children, Marion (Joseph) Guerriero, Anita Collins and Rita Dziedzic; grandchildren, Victoria, Collin, Alyson, Paige and Sean; three sisters; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Reconciliation Ministries, "The River," 43700 Merrill, Sterling Heights, MI 48314.

EDNA M. CENTERS

Services for Edna Marie Centers, 95, of Livonia were March 17 at St. Gerald Catholic Church in Farmington with the Rev. Gerald McEnhill officiating.

Mrs. Centers was born May 6, 1905, in Detroit and died March 10, 2001, at Marywood Nursing Center in Livonia. She was the secretary/treasurer/owner of Titus Welding.

She is survived by sons Claude (Patricia) and Paul (Mary Lou); daughter, Joanne (William) Dixon; 14 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death

Learn how to give pets first-aid at Four-Legged Friends

Four-Legged Friends of Farmington is hosting a pet first-aid session from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 31, and also taking registration for two obedience courses.

According to co-owner Kim Thomas, an American Red Cross representative will show pet owners how to treat an injured or sick dog, for example.

It will cost \$25 to attend the session, including the cost for a first-aid book.

Then, beginning Tuesday, April 3 are two seven-week obedience courses to be taught by

instructor Ed Updyke.

Puppy obedience training is from 7-8 p.m., while canines age six months and up are eligible to attend an hour-long session that begins at 8:15 p.m.

"We call it a 'bachelor of attitude' degree that they're working toward," said Thomas, jokingly.

Space is limited for all of the events. Call Four-Legged Friends at (248) 474-1100 in order to pre-register. It is located at 33400 Nine Mile Road in Farmington, just east of Farmington Road.

Car wash donates profits to FFIA

In support of Farmington Families in Action's abuse education projects Colonial Car Wash in Farmington will be donating portion of its car wash profits to the cause throughout the month of March.

Fifty percent of each \$5.75 car will benefit FFIA's efforts to bring substance abuse awareness to the Farmington/Farm-

ington Hills community.

FFIA offers programs for children such as B.A.B.E.S. (Beginning Addiction Basic Education Studies) and G.R.I.P. (Generations Responding to Issues and Problems) for the whole family.

For tickets or more information, please contact Becky Dworkin at 681-4646.

Local Dems host candidates

Democratic governor candidate state Sen. Gary Peters will be the principal speaker at this month's meeting of the Farmington Democratic Club.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 21, at the Pinefitters Hall, 30100 Northwestern Highway, just north of Inkster.

Democratic club chairman Gerald Goldberg said that all of the five present Democratic candidates for governor will be invited to speak to the Farmington Democrats during the next few months.

The meeting is open to the public.

Hills student attends conference

Michelle Patrick of Farmington Hills recently attended the National Young Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C.

This unique leadership development program invites high school students - based on scholastic merit, community involvement and leadership contributions - to interact with today's national leaders.

NYLC scholars work through many issues facing our nation today through a series of simulations and meet face-to-face with members of the U. S. Congress on their staff as well as other influential personalities.

"The National Young Leaders Conference inspires exceptional high school students like Michelle Patrick to take leadership initiative, to face challenges head-on and to gain confidence in making positive changes in their communities and throughout the world," said Michael Lasday, executive director of the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, the organization that sponsors the NYLC.

Vincent Pan, co-founder and executive director of Heads Up, set the tone for the conference in a keynote address.

Pan focused his address on the students and encouraged, "You all have it in you to make a positive difference in the world throughout life. Don't allow anyone to tell you otherwise. Don't watch the world go by. Make the world go through you."

Former U. S. Rep. Toby Moffett of Connecticut welcomed the

students to the floor of the U. S. House of Representatives, an honor usually reserved for members of Congress and their special guests.

Moffett pointed out several of the fascinating and historic features of the room before he told the students, "You are not attending National Young Leaders Conference because you are run-of-the-mill. You're special people because you are leaders with the desire to become better leaders in your communities and in our country."

Moffett added, "If you're truly interested in exploring leadership opportunities, I recommend that you volunteer on campaigns in your state legislatures or your school boards. You can volunteer for your members of Congress, or a challenger in an election effort."

Because leadership goes beyond what happens on Capitol Hill, Patrick had the opportunity to interact with a panel of renowned journalists at the National Press Club. Students were given the chance to ask questions regarding national and international current events, as well as for advice and perspectives on how to start a career in journalism.

CYLC is a nonprofit, nonpartisan leadership education organization. Founded in 1985, CYLC is committed to educating, motivating and inspiring young people to achieve their full leadership potential.

POLICE CALLS

The following reports were filed during the past week with the Farmington and Farmington Hills Police Departments:

Break-in

A 36-year-old Dearborn woman told Farmington police that \$2,500 worth of catering equipment was stolen March 11-12 from a storage unit she rented at Public Storage Company, 34050 Nine Mile Road, in Farmington.

Stamps taken

Farmington Post Office employees reported that a young man stole 160 books of 34-cent stamps out of racks in the lobby at 4:45 p.m. March 6. The stamps are worth more than \$1,000.

Police have a videotape of the theft and describe the man as 6-foot, 8-inches tall, 160 pounds, 18 years old, with black hair, a black T-shirt with red lettering and black pants.

Shoplifting

Farmington Hills police arrested an 18-year-old Redford woman Tuesday, March 13, after security officers at Kohl's department store, 30150 Grand River, said she tried to steal a bra, panties, tank top, T-shirt and a sweat shirt worth a total

of \$105.

The security officer told police the woman took the items into a fitting room, removed the tags, stuffed the bra, panties and tank top in her purse and put on the T-shirt and sweat shirt. She was stopped after leaving the store with the listed items.

Farmington Hills police also arrested a 21-year-old Farmington woman after Kohl's security officials said she tried to steal blue jeans, a T-shirt, shorts, two vests, a blouse and two candles worth a total of \$90.58.

The security officer told police the woman wore some of the clothes out of the store while carrying the rest of the items in pockets.

Police found the woman was carrying a false I.D., identifying her as someone else.

Stolen vehicle

Police recovered a 2000 GMC Yukon Thursday that was reported stolen from Bob Saks Oldsmobile in Farmington Hills March 6. Bob Saks personnel suspected a 21-year-old Detroit man who often test drive vehicles. They believe the man made a copy of the key when he test drove the Yukon.

Police found the vehicle at the suspect's residence.



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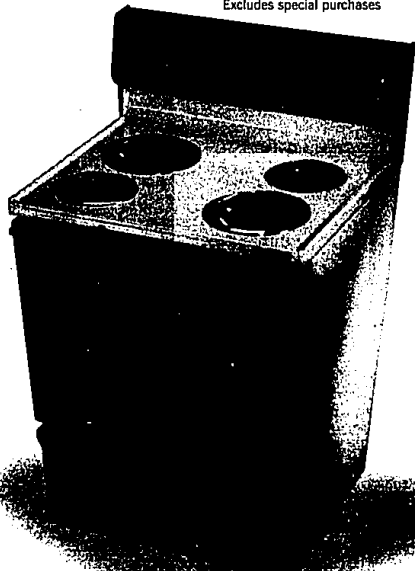
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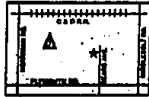
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