

OAKLAND DIGEST

Oakland Digest provides a summary of headlines stories from around the county during the week leading up to Oct. 12.

BIRMINGHAM
Intravenous poisoning death: The body of a 66-year-old Kentucky woman was found at the Quality Inn in Bloomfield Township on Oct. 8. A letter found in the room stated that she was a patient of assisted suicide crusader Jack Kevorkian of West Bloomfield. Calls to Geoffrey Fieger, Kevorkian's Southfield-based attorney, were not returned. The latest death marks the third in two months at the hotel.

National Bank of Detroit officials say they expect to have a buyer for their Main Street branch in Clarkston by the end of October. Residents don't want to lose the downtown bank, which has been in existence since the 1920s, and hope another bank will make the purchase.

FARMINGTON
Council snubs company move: Farmington Hills council members Oct. 6 reaffirmed their stand against granting exit permits to local companies leaving and moving to other communities for tax breaks. A Wayne County community offers tax breaks to new companies.

Members of the M-24 Task Force Committee are expected to soon select a traffic consultant to prepare a road study of the thoroughfare. The study will be presented to the Michigan Department of Transportation in February in hope of obtaining federal funds to alleviate congestion and improve safety on the road.

ROCHESTER
Stalking complaint: A Rochester Hills Meijer store employee has filed a stalking complaint against a 27-year-old Royal Oak man. According to the

employee, the man started stalking her a year ago, by frequently coming through her check-out line and staring at her. Oakland County Sheriff's Department investigators contacted the man about the complaint Oct. 7. He denied the allegations.

SOUTHFIELD
Tel-12 traffic considered: The intersection of Telegraph and 12 Mile Road topped the Oakland County Traffic Improvement Association's list of frequent crashes sites. Although the Tel-12 intersection hasn't had a

fatality in three years, city officials responded by again proposing a new ramp near or at Franklin road. Both the Michigan Highway Department and Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments have endorsed the suggestion, but funding is a problem, said city administrator Robert Block.

TROY
Peace Garden: The Troy Peace Garden came a step closer to reality Oct. 4 at a groundbreaking ceremony at its future site in the civic center. The garden will

features a display of the word "Peace" in 55 languages.

WEST BLOOMFIELD
Movie theater moves in: Crowning the development of the northwest corner of 14 Mile and Hogerty in Commerce Township, a United Artists movie theater will open its doors there next January. Since last spring, the site has changed from a primarily vacant and residential area to a bustling shopping spot.

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CLARKSTON
NBD expects sale soon:

LAKE ORION
M-24 fix-up moving quickly:

Michigan Directory Company honored

The Yellow Pages Publishers Association (YPPA) awarded Michigan Directory Company the gold award for CO-OP Advertising at the 10th annual convention at The Mirage in Las Vegas on Sept. 30.

"This year's APY award is particularly noteworthy due to the stiff competition from the seven regional Bell operating companies, CTE, Sprint, MCI, plus several national and international directory publishers."

Michigan Directory Company was recognized for its development and implementation of a unique customer focused strategy that has significantly increased the use of CO-OP advertising.

Through strong upper management support, education of sales staff and customers, development of sales support materials and ad design, Michigan Directory has increased its CO-OP sales penetration 500 percent since 1990.

The award was presented at the chairman's dinner with 1,000 YPPA members in attendance. Michigan Directory was selected from 380 entries.

Michigan Directory Company is a HomeTown Communications Network company based in Michigan with offices in Howell, Pigeon and Port Huron.

Judges were Joel Davis, professor of advertising at San Diego State University; Gabe Samuels, Advertising Research Federation, and Bill Biglow, advertising professor at the University of Wisconsin.

The company was founded in 1978 and is the oldest publisher of county and community telephone directories in the state.

Mike Needles, vice president/general manager said,

HomeTown Communications Network is the parent company of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

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