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Hundreds fill Sikh area temple to mourn Wisconsin shooting

Members of various faiths show solidarity

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RICHFIELD — Hundreds of mourners of different faiths and a handful of political leaders packed the Sikh Temple on Broadview Road for a prayer service Sunday to remember the six people who were killed by a gunman the previous Sunday in a Wisconsin temple.

A sense of sadness drew a Cleveland Heights woman to the service that began at noon.

"I wanted to support this group of people," said Judith Watson, an Episcopalian. "It's very sad."

Paula Campbell and Joe Konen, a Cleveland couple, attended to support the Sikh community.

Everyone left their shoes at the door and covered their heads. They

crowded into the spacious temple and sat on the floor to hear a dozen speakers, after photos of the six slain were projected on a screen.

Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor, U.S. Sen. Sherrod Brown and Richfield Mayor Bobbie Beshara took the podium, while Attorney General Mike DeWine spoke by phone.

All expressed sorrow and solidarity with families of the victims and other Sikhs. DeWine invited Sikhs to meet with him if they have any con-

cerns about how they are treated in Ohio.

"When the Sikh community is attacked, we are all attacked. No group is safe," he said.

There were Jewish, Hindu, Muslim and Lutheran speakers who all encouraged unity and a shared presence with Sikhs, who number between 5,000 and 7,000 in Ohio and worship in temples here, including in Bedford, Columbus and Dayton.

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St. Adalbert, rooted in 1st black parish, reopens with standing-room-only Mass



Parishioner Linda Gamble reunites with a longtime friend at the reopening Mass at St. Adalbert Catholic Church on Sunday. The church had been closed for two years. St. Adalbert was the ninth church to reopen. It was standing room only at the celebration Mass Sunday.

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St. Adalbert parish, which traces its roots to the first and only African-American Catholic church in Cleveland, was resurrected Sunday after two years in limbo.

The church, on East 83rd Street, had been among 50 churches closed by Bishop Richard Lennon over a 15-month period beginning in 2009.

His reasons were shortages of priests, cash and people in the pews.

But parishioners from 11 of the 50, including St. Adalbert, appealed

the closings to Rome, resulting in Vatican decrees critical of the bishop, stating he did not properly follow procedures when he closed them.

During the appeals, the diocese was prohibited from selling the church properties or their artifacts, so the 11 sat locked, dark and empty.

In April, Lennon announced he would reopen the 11 churches rather than appeal the Vatican's decrees.

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"I'm so happy, I can't see straight,"

said Clarice Kinard, climbing the stone steps. "This is history."

In 1922, the Cleveland Catholic Diocese established Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament on East 79th Street as the first and only black Catholic parish.

By 1961, Blessed Sacrament was in need of major repairs, so the diocese closed it and the congregation migrated a few blocks away to a dying Bohemian church on East 83rd Street, St. Adalbert.

When the black parishioners settled in, they painted the faces of Jesus, Mary and Joseph black, as they

are today.

And on Sunday, for the first time in two years, there were lighted candles on the altar, fresh, cool holy water in the fountains, and arrays for fresh-cut flowers throughout the 101-year-old sanctuary.

Parishioner Phillis Clippis, wearing a crimson dress, took the pulpit and bid the congregation "Good morning."

A sea of faces, both white and black, responded "Good morning" and spontaneously erupted into applause.

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GREATER CLEVELAND INNOVATIONS

Local inventor still likes tinkering with innovations for everyday life

This story is part of a midsummer series about lesser-known inventions, ideas and innovations that originated in Northeast Ohio. If you have suggestions for future stories, please email your ideas to metrodesk@plained.com.

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The next time you jam on your anti-lock brakes and the car comes to a stuttering, safe halt, think of Thomas Penkalski.

Penkalski, 77, of Broadview Heights, was working for the Eaton Corp. in Southfield, Mich., in 1966 when he was asked to develop the electronics for what became the anti-lock braking system now standard in many vehicles. The patent was awarded to Eaton in 1970.

Another part of the Eaton team worked out the mechanics of the device, which causes the brakes to activate in a series of pulses to avoid a

skid.

"A car won't skid until the wheels lock up," said Penkalski. "By using the pulsing system, the anti-lock brakes slow the car and keep it moving in a straight line. It took me about a year to figure out how to electronically make the brakes work."

That's not all Penkalski accomplished. Over his career, he has come up with many inventions and innovations that still affect everyday life. He said he has always been interested in making new things and improving old ones. It helped that he worked at companies that encouraged such thinking.

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WHATEVER HAPPENED TO ... ?

USS Cod keeps engines operational, though it isn't going anywhere soon

Whatever happened to efforts to restore engines for the USS Cod?

Last November, two World War II vintage 1,600-horsepower diesel engines originally made in Cleveland were moved into the ArcelorMittal Cleveland facility in Cuyahoga Heights for use in rebuilding engines of the USS Cod Submarine Memorial, berthed on the lakefront near East Ninth Street.

The engines are being stored as a source of future replacement parts for the historic sub's four main engines, according to Paul Farace, director of the memorial. "They represent strategic looooooong-term insurance to ensure that the Cod will be able to fascinate Clevelanders for literally the next century," he said.

Farace said restoring the engines to operable condition, involving the efforts of Cleveland volunteers David

"Whatever happened to ...?" is a weekly series updating some of the most newsworthy and interesting local stories covered in The Plain Dealer. Have a suggestion on a story we should update? Send it to John C. Kuehner at jkuehner@plained.com, or call 216-999-5325.

Today, we answer these questions:

Whatever happened to ...

... efforts to restore engines for the USS Cod?

... Freshbag, the company that delivered fresh, healthy food to Cleveland-area apartments and offices?

Smith and Darrel Flint, was a three-year project.

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Tipoff

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RTA debates deal with Kansas firm

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority is all about moving people. But some board members think it should do more to move jobs into Greater Cleveland.

On Tuesday, three board members pointedly questioned the RTA staff's recommendation to award a \$950,000 contract for a passenger survey to a company in Kansas, rather than to a Cleveland-area company.

"I can't get past the fact that there's no way to get this done locally," said board member Valerie McCall, chief of government affairs for Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson.

This isn't just any survey. RTA needs someone to interview, face to face, thousands of riders, not only on their use of public transportation but also on how they use all modes of travel. It's part of a survey that RTA is doing with the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, a planning body that dispenses tens of millions of federal dollars yearly for transportation projects in this region. (The region does not extend as far as Kansas, in case you were wondering.)

NOACA must do the massive survey to update its computer modeling for future travel needs. Federal officials require the modeling, which assures a steady flow of federal cash.

RTA staffers told the board that only a handful of companies can handle the surveys and sophisticated data input. None of them is local.

Three firms submitted proposals. The two best came from companies based in Olathe, Kan., and Atlanta, staffers said.

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Brown didn't send billions abroad



Sherrod Brown "sent billions of our tax dollars to foreign countries."

Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel

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Federal spending is a major issue in the U.S. Senate campaign of Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel, the Republican trying to unseat incumbent Democrat Sherrod Brown. Mandel says spending is wasteful and unsustainable, and he names Brown as a reason.

Among several claims in Mandel's TV ad "Change," which accuses Brown of trying to hide his record, is one that says "Brown sent billions of our tax dollars to foreign countries."

PolitiFact Ohio can't say if spending is wasteful, and we don't have a crystal ball to judge if it is sustainable.

But we can assess whether Brown is "hiding" (as the ad states) that he has sent billions of tax dollars overseas.

The ad's claim is spoken by an announcer and appears on screen next to a photo of Brown. In the background is a blended collage of the flags of Panama, China and South Korea.

The source cited in the ad for the claim is an article that appeared Sept. 9, 2010, in the Washington Times.

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Many of state's wealthiest school districts are here

Ten of the 25 wealthiest school districts in the state, based on median household income, are in the Cleveland-Akron area, though the Orlentangy School District in Delaware County ranks first at \$76,444. Here are the top area districts and their rank among the 614 districts statewide:

Median household income for area districts among Ohio's 25 wealthiest (ranked by median-household income)

Rank	District	County	Household income
2.	Orange	Cuyahoga	\$75,280
3.	Hudson	Summit	\$75,016
8.	Chagrin Falls	Cuyahoga	\$68,241
14.	Revere	Summit	\$64,158
16.	Avon	Lorain	\$60,407
17.	Bay Village	Cuyahoga	\$59,936
18.	Kenston	Geauga	\$59,605
19.	Beachwood	Cuyahoga	\$58,396
22.	Solon	Cuyahoga	\$57,065
25.	Highland	Medina	\$55,365

SOURCE: Ohio Department of Taxation, 2010 tax returns

— Rich Ecker, The Plain Dealer

cleveland.com/datacentral to find incomes for all districts in the state and previous Statistical Snapshots