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New owners set to renovate Golden Lamb

The Golden Lamb in Lebanon - Ohio's oldest continuously operating inn and restaurant - will undergo a multimillion-dollar renovation under new management. **BUSINESS A13**

Disney brings scares on skates

Disney on Ice skates into town this week with the fuzzy and scary crew of creatures from the movie "Monsters Inc." **LIFE D1**

Cheney, Clinton to be dropping by

Former President Clinton and Vice President Dick Cheney are coming two weeks before the vote for midterm elections. Clinton will attend a fundraiser today; Cheney will speak at a luncheon Wednesday. **LOCAL B5**

Will Carolina be the turning point?

Many teammates are saying that the Sunday's victory over the Panthers might be the game that helps vault the Bengals to a memorable season. **SPORTS C1**

Study: Veggies keep brain young

Older people who ate more vegetables had better mental function than those who didn't, a diet study has found. **NATION & WORLD A2**

WEATHER

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Low 30°
Clouds and sun.

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Charter school founder indicted

Ex-DuBois official accused of theft, fraud

By Sharon Coolidge, Jennifer Mrozowski and Denise Smith Amos
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The founder of one of the state's top charter schools was indicted Monday, accused of stealing money from W.E.B. DuBois Academy and inflating student enrollment, bringing undeserved state money to the school.

Wilson Willard, 37, the school's founder who most re-

cently served as an adviser, was indicted by a Hamilton County grand jury on six charges of theft, two charges of unauthorized use of property, two charges of tampering with records and two charges of telecommunications fraud.

A warrant was issued for his arrest.

Willard, who resigned Oct. 16, is accused of taking \$24,000 from the academy to finance a home remodeling project and an additional

\$20,000 through unauthorized money transfers. He also is accused of inflating enrollment numbers submitted to the Ohio Department of Education.

It's unclear whether the school will remain open.

Terry Ryan, vice president for Ohio programs and policy at the Thomas B. Fordham Foundation, which oversees school operations, said the foundation's board will discuss the academy's future

next week.

"This will not interfere with our commitment to provide students with a superior education," board President Edward L. Burdell said in a prepared statement.

Ryan, whose organization took over sponsorship of the school in July 2005, said he knew the school was being investigated but didn't know the extent of the allegations.

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Wilson Willard, then superintendent of W.E.B. DuBois Academy in Over-the-Rhine, gave a new student instruction on her uniform in July 2005.

8th-grader shot dead at wheel of stolen car

Owner could face charges; teen had long record



Quavale Finnell



The Enquirer/Gary Landers

Police say this Ford Taurus was stolen by a teenager, who was shot by the car's owner, then crashed into another car and a fire hydrant before coming to a stop on this embankment wall.



Shooter's trouble
Car owner may have problem claiming self-defense. **A10**

By Eileen Kelley and William A. Weathers
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KENNEDY HEIGHTS - Quavale Finnell's 15th birthday is Thursday.

He didn't make it. Instead, his body landed in the Hamilton County morgue after he was shot before dawn Monday by a homeowner as the teen apparently tried to steal the man's car on Odin Avenue.

Police said Quavale was found in the driver's seat of a 1994 Ford Taurus with a gunshot wound in the 3700 block of Odin. He was an eighth-grader at Central Fairmount Elementary School, on the city's West Side.

Police said the bullet hit him in the chest, just under his left arm.

It wasn't clear why Quavale was in Kennedy Heights Monday morning. Some in the neighborhood said they think he lived there, but his mother, who lives on Grove Street in South Fairmount, told police that she expected him home before school.

Information sought

Anyone with any information on the shooting is asked call the Cincinnati Police Department's Criminal Investigation Section at 513-352-3452 or Crime Stoppers at 513-352-3040.

Police said Bennie D. Hall Jr., 61, the owner of a home on Odin, went outside at 6 a.m. to warm up his car and went back into his house.

When Hall came back outside, he saw someone driving away in the gray Ford Taurus, police said. Hall fired at the fleeing car.

Police said Quavale, who had a juvenile record with 13 cases ranging from jaywalking to breaking and entering, turned around in a dead end and sped away down another street before he crashed into a parked Kia and a fire hydrant.

The car finally came to a halt with its rear wheels on an embankment wall.

News of the shooting shook neighbors.

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24-year term for Enron's Skilling

Ex-CEO expresses defiance, remorse

By Juan A. Lozano
The Associated Press

HOUSTON - Former Enron CEO Jeffrey Skilling was ordered Monday to serve 24 years and four months in prison, the harshest punishment by far in Enron's scandalous collapse.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake denied Skilling's request for bond and ordered him to home confinement, wearing an ankle monitor until he is ordered to report to prison.

"His crimes have imposed on hundreds if not thousands a life sentence of poverty," Lake said.

Lake also ordered Skilling to undergo alcohol and mental-health counseling. Successful completion would take a year off his sentence.

Skilling insisted that he was remorseful but proclaimed his innocence.

"Your honor, I am innocent of these charges," Skilling said. "I'm innocent of every one of these charges.

Skilling's arrogance, belligerence and lack of contriteness under questioning made him a lightning rod for the rage generated after Enron sought bankruptcy protection in 2001.

Skilling was the last top official to be punished for the accounting tricks and shady business deals that led to the loss of thousands of jobs, more than \$60 billion in stock and more than \$2 billion in employee pensions after the company collapsed in 2001.

His remaining assets, about \$60 million, will be liquidated and divided among victims and attorneys, according to an agreement among lawyers for Enron employees, the company's savings and stock ownership plans, prosecutors and Skilling's legal team.

Outside the courthouse, Skilling vowed to appeal his sentence.

Skilling's co-defendant, Enron founder Kenneth Lay, died from heart disease July 5.



Skilling

Colorful figure had promised to bring restaurant back

Willie DeLuca dies short of reopening Sorrento's

By Steve Kemme
Enquirer staff writer

NORWOOD - For the last 18 months, Willie DeLuca immersed himself in the effort to resurrect Sorrento's Pizza and Restaurant after a fire gutted the Norwood landmark and killed his father, the restaurant's 82-year-old founder. He viewed reopening the

restaurant, which he had managed for years, as the best way to pay tribute to his father, Enrico DeLuca, an Italian immigrant who built the restaurant in 1956 with the help of his family. Willie, who was 7 years old at the time, helped haul the bricks to the Montgomery Road site.

But with the restaurant's reopening only weeks away,

DeLuca, 58, died of an apparent heart attack Sunday night at University Hospital.

His sister, Esa Stewart, of Norwood, said DeLuca called her at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, complaining that he couldn't breathe.

She called 911 and rushed to her brother's home.

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After a fire destroyed Sorrento's pizza in Norwood and eventually killed its founder, Enrico DeLuca, his son Willie looked over the damage and said he would reopen.

Backers sought

Money needed to host NAACP

After winning the 2008 national NAACP convention, community leaders and the local chapter need to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for upfront costs.

Mayor Mark Mallory said business and other leaders will be asked to donate, and companies will be asked to be sponsors.

Cincinnati beat out convention heavyweight Las Vegas for the event. **BUSINESS A13**