



Middlefield

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PJ's The Store opens to packed house

MIDDLEFIELD— What a wonderful thing it was last Sunday to see downtown Middlefield looking so vital. Throughout the grand opening day of PJ's "The Store," cars filled the store parking area and overflowed to Skyline Trail.

Store worker Joanne Rennert Boisvert estimated that the establishment served 70 breakfasts on opening day. Things at one point got so crazy that a visiting relative was reportedly put to work. Boisvert and the store's new proprietor, Phyllis Turner, were both in high spirits although, after hosting 250 diners at the Benevolent Association dinner the night before, Boisvert admitted that by afternoon she was ready for a power-nap.

Such a grand opening the store enjoyed that nearly all the fruit, milk, and home baked muffins, breads and

other baked goods sold out by mid-afternoon. Yet even that late in the day, folks lingered at the luncheon tables, enjoying the coffee and each other's company.

Having missed the wheat and raisin, this reporter did manage to snatch the last loaf of homemade white bread, with promises that everything was to be restocked. One counter sported sizable lists of requests for particular newspapers, cigarettes, and favorite brands of other items for the store to stock. Why run across two counties for an item if the store can bring it to you?

The renovated facility will now be open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., 7 days a week. Breakfast and lunch will be served daily, and pizza will be available on Friday and Saturday evenings. To order ahead, call PJ's "The Store" at 623-2112.