



Norm Goers exemplified the effort put through by the City of Farmington to clean up the area as he sheds some of the tree debris. He and other DPW workers from both Farmington and Farmington Hills worked around the clock to clean up the area. (Staff photo)

Chilly cities cope

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Dunkle with their French poodle, Peppy.

"My hands have never been so cold," Mrs. Finkbeiner said. "We don't have a fireplace. I never had to get out of my house before to get warm, and I've been married 50 years."

In addition to Dunkle and Harrison, power was not disrupted at Longacre or Highmeadow elementary schools. But the entire district, which includes Farmington, Farmington Hills and a portion of West Bloomfield, was shut down. By Tuesday, power was still out at 10 schools.

FARMINGTON HILLS police moved

13 residents from the Oak Hill Nursing Home annex to the main building on Gill and Grand River by schoolbus. That building was running on auxiliary power.

At Botsford Hospital, an increase in anxiety-related ailments was reported by Dorine Kramp, nursing supervisor in the emergency room.

"We usually handle 90 to 110 emergencies in an average 24 hour period. We've been running slightly beyond that," Mrs. Kramp said.

Three Farmington residents, overcome by carbon monoxide while trying to keep warm, were treated and released from Botsford Tuesday morning.



Ray Bordinus, of Farmington, took on the task of clearing the tattered branches by manning his chain saw. (Staff photo)

Businesses stay dark

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ians were faced with patrons asking them how long meat will remain edible in a freezer without power.

Others tried booking a room in the Farmington Holiday Inn only to discover they would do just as well staying home.

ON MONDAY AFTERNOON clerks were giving hotel guests flashlights with their room keys. The dark hotel's restaurant and bar were closed. Elevators were inoperable although there were patrons with rooms on the fourth and fifth floors.

Guests who wanted to charge their expenses found the clerks filling out the information by hand. The electric

cash register which also processed charge plates was out of order.

"We offer them another place to go or extra blankets and a flashlight," said clerk Bunny Galt.

Cold residents were staying away from stores such as Crowley's in the Kendallwood Shopping Center on Twelve Mile.

"The power failure has curtailed traffic quite a bit," said Crowley's manager Mario Ilari.

While homeowners worried over spoiled food, their problems didn't match those of the White Castle regional office in Farmington Hills. On Monday afternoon, employees were trying to avoid opening the doors to the walk-in freezers.

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