

YMCA highlights

These YMCA highlights appear courtesy of the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. For information, call 553-4020.

Site" programming as well as corporate membership discounts are available. Call Greg Voss at the Y for more information.

● **FALL OPEN HOUSE** — The Farmington Area YMCA will be hosting its annual Fall Open House on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The YMCA staff and board will be available to give building tours and explain YMCA membership and programs. The Open House will also include cider and doughnuts, an obstacle course for youth, door prizes and free miniature footballs and balloons for the kids.

● **CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP** — The Farmington YMCA has established a corporate membership program for local businesses. "On

● **PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS** — The Farmington YMCA offers a variety of preschool programs for children ages 18 months to 5 years. Call the Y or stop in to inquire about our "Pixies and Pals," "Tiny Tots," "Terrific Twos," "Mini Critters," or "Crispy Critters" program.

● **FALL PROGRAM REGISTRATION** — The Farmington Y will be holding registration for its Fall II Programs the week of Oct. 24. Programs range from preschool enrichment to seniors exercise classes. Program member registration is from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25.

campus pipeline

If you have news from a college, university or other campus of higher education — and there's a Farmington-area connection — we'd like to hear from you so we can share your news item with other Farmington Observer readers. Send items to Campus Pipeline, Farmington Observer, 3203 Grand River, Farmington 48024.

NAMED LECTURER

Daniel Catrinar of Farmington Hills was named a lecturer in Lawrence Institute of Technology's School of Management, Southfield. He received bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from Walsh College.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities at LIT, Catrinar is an ac-

counting instructor at Dorsey Business School.

● **ASSISTANT PROFESSOR** — Mohammad Hassan of Farmington Hills was named an assistant professor in Lawrence Institute of Technology's School of Engineering, Southfield.

Hassan received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Baghdad, and a master's degree in electronic engineering from the University of Technology in Baghdad. He also received a master's degree in electrical engineering from Wayne State University.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities at LIT, Hassan is a member of Wayne State University's part-time faculty.



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Corporate headquarters

Michigan National Corp.'s new world headquarters (above) is going up on Inkster and I-696 in Farmington Hills. About 1,000 employees will move beginning in January. The move is scheduled to be complete by May. The 287,000-square-foot complex consists of four two-story buildings with pitched slate roofs. General contractor for the \$25 million project is Farmington Hills-based Jonna Construction. Architect is

Luckenbach/Ziegelman of Birmingham. The building will include employee health facilities, including an indoor track, said Ariadne Magoulas, vice president. At left, Kenna Vokes of C.J. Rogers Construction uses an electronic level to make sure that an incoming water line is covered with the proper amount of dirt.

road watch

This column was prepared by Farmington Hills city manager William Costick's staff.

This space will list current conditions in a "no surprises" campaign to inform motorists of the road improvements under way. Additional repairs and improvements will continue for the next two years; the city administration asks for your patience.

The end result will be less congestion, better traffic capacity and improved road safety in the community.

● **I-696 widening:** Orchard Lake Road is restricted to three lanes during the bridge widening. The bridges that carry I-696 over Drake Road are currently being widened. Construction on the temporary road for eastbound traffic to use next spring is approximately 50 percent complete.

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● **The intersection at 11 Mile and Middlebelt** is being widened to five lanes. The final steps in road construction are scheduled for this week.

● **Drake Road paving** between 11 Mile and I-696: The new bridge will be placed this week; concrete and gutter construction will start next week. The road is closed to through

traffic until the end of October.

● **The road paving at the intersection of Nine Mile and Farmington Road** is complete with final cleanup in progress.

● **The resurfacing of 14 Mile Road** between Orchard Lake Road and Farmington Road is complete. Shoulder work and final cleanup are underway.

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