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## Giving thanks

Darline Matheson (left) of Farmington Hills receives a turkey and a hug from Cheryl Carter, director of Neighborhood House, at the Farmington Hills branch of the Salvation Army. The Mathesons have three daughters, ages 1-5 years old. Some 130 families received Thanksgiving baskets this year, according to Lt. Jon Rich of the Salvation Army's Farmington branch. "That's more than double the amount we gave out last year," he said. "It definitely has something to do with the

economy." The bulk are single parent families, Rich added. "Some are single adults. About one-quarter are nuclear family situations." The Salvation Army also held its annual Thanksgiving Day sit-down dinner Nov. 19 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Farmington Hills. Some 250 people were fed. "Sixty percent of the people who received Thanksgiving help were Farmington area residents," Rich said. "The rest were from Livonia, Novi and Southfield."

## on the agenda

Below are highlights from the agendas of government meetings this week. All meetings are open to the public.

**Farmington Hills City Council**  
City Council Chambers  
31555 11 Mile  
7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 26

In unfinished business the city

council will continue a public hearing on proposed changes in the industrial-research-office and light industrial districts and use of toxic-hazardous materials.

The council will consider enactment of an ordinance amendment to adopt by reference the United States Secretary of the Interior's standards for rehabilitation for the historical preservation ordinance of Farm-

ington Hills.

The council also will elect its officers for 1991 and receive a report from the city attorney on the release of executive session information.

The city's annual financial audit will be presented and meeting dates will be considered for a joint meeting of the city council and parks and recreation commission.

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## police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

### • THEFTS REPORTED

Weapons and a weapon case valued at \$975 were reported stolen from a pick-up truck Nov. 18.

Approximately \$350 cash was reported stolen from a house on Briar-ton, Nov. 21.

A television, VCR, stereo, microwave oven, jewelry and fur coats valued at more than \$2,900 were reported stolen from a unit on Roosevelt Court, in the Independence Green Apartments, Nov. 20-21.

A pearl necklace valued at \$500 was reported stolen from a house on Inkster, Nov. 20.

An AM/FM cassette, leather jacket and tapes valued at \$900 were reported stolen from a unit on Buchanan in the Independence Green Apartments, Nov. 17-18.

### • DAMAGED REPORTED

The rear window of a van parked on Barfield was smashed Nov. 10-22, causing about \$400 damage.

Headlights on two cars parked on Fredrickburg were smashed Nov. 22, causing approximately \$125 damage to each car. Headlights of a

car parked on nearby Petersburg also were damaged Nov. 22, causing \$150 damage.

### • GOLF BALLS THROWN

Farmington police are investigating a Nov. 19 incident at the Civic Theatre in which a group of youths were randomly throwing golf balls in the dark about 11:20 p.m. during a late movie show. One person was hit in the head. The suspects left the show in a red Mustang. Police say they were residents of Southfield, Redford Township and Farmington Hills.

### • OVERTURNED CAR

A car overturned after it hit a rock in the road on Drakeshire Lane in Farmington on Nov. 19, police said. The woman driver, headed east, was taken to Providence Hospital where she was treated for a minor eye injury. She was adjusting her upper visor when her car hit the rock, police said.

### • STOLEN STEREO

Almost \$1,700 in stereo equipment was taken Nov. 18 from a 1985 Pontiac Firebird parked in the lot of Chatham Hills Apartments in Farmington.

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Thousands have highly acclaimed this conference for its dissemination of information not available from any other source. During the two-hour session, participants will review full-service preretirement and retirement living concepts through a color slide series of communities from the east to the west coast.

In addition, a new and different concept in active retirement/preretirement living being considered for Farmington Hills will be discussed to determine its potential for active adults desiring a full menu of services from home and yard maintenance to security and health/fitness programs. The concept offers options not found in lifetime entrance fee, expensive rental packages, or resort communities. Each participant will be asked to complete a simple written survey to provide direction for the development and the public's acceptance of this community.

The conference is free of charge. However, seating is limited and will be by reservation only.

Please call Nancy Fees (313) 442-9860, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., or write for reservations for you and your friends to RETIREMENT CONFERENCE, 30405 Folsom Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336 for one of the times and locations below:

• **Hilton Inn - Novi**  
21111 Haggerty Road  
8 Mile Rd. Exit off I-75  
Novi, MI  
Tuesday, Dec. 11  
10:00 A.M. or  
2:00 P.M.

• **Botsford General Hospital**  
Administration & Education Building  
28050 Grand River Ave.  
Farmington Hills, MI  
Wednesday, Dec. 12  
10:00 A.M.

• **Botsford General Hospital**  
Administration & Education Building  
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Thursday, Dec. 13  
2:00 P.M.

Each session will end promptly two hours from the above starting times.

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