

## recreation news

Each week, the Recreation Division of the Farmington Hills Department of Special Services presents a synopsis of upcoming activities in this column.

For further information regarding programs, please call the recreation office at 473-8570. Pre-registration is required for most activities.

For matters regarding city council agenda items, call the city's Newsline at 476-3838.

### HALLOWEEN HAUNTED WALK

The Recreation Division will host its fourth annual Halloween Haunted Walk Friday-Saturday, Oct. 25-26, at Heritage Park. We are looking for groups, organizations or individuals who would be interested in creating a station on the trails to provide the chilling effect of the spirit of Halloween. If you or your group/organization are interested, call Dave Justus at 473-9580.

### PARKEY'S SERIES

Hurley the Panda invites children ages 5-10 to join him for a special Halloween event called "Ghost & Goblins Goodies." Children will create Halloween crafts and hear a story or two. The event will be held on Saturday, Oct. 26, from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Visitor Center at Heritage Park. Remember to wear your costume. Pre-registration is required.

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

An informal meeting will be held

on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Visitor Center in Heritage Park. The meeting will address league structure, registration dates, fees and other pertinent information. Heritage Park is located on Farmington Road south of 11 Mile.

### HANDICRAFT FESTIVAL

A Holiday Handicraft Festival sponsored by the Farmington Hills Senior Adult Program from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15 at the Senior Adult Center, 28500 11 Mile, Gate 4.

## Use caution to avoid deer

It might be hard to believe that deer and cars are still mixing in Farmington Hills. But it's true. Within the last six months, six deer have been killed — three of them in the last two weeks — when their paths crossed with cars, particularly in an area of Drake Road, 16 Mile, 12 Mile and Haggerty, said Sgt. Ray Cranston of the Farmington Hills Police Department's traffic section.

"Most of the accidents are in the late evening hours, after dark," Cranston said.

Traffic officials are urging motorists to use caution when traveling in the area where deer have been killed.

## County adds left turn lane at Eight Mile

Wayne County has agreed to change traffic signals at the intersection of Eight Mile and Farmington Hills in light of the number of bad traffic accidents occurring there.

The change will add a left turn

phasing signal at the intersection, which touches the city of Livonia on the south side and Farmington and Farmington Hills on the north side.

Another fatal accident was logged at the intersection Sunday morning, according to Farmington City Councilman Richard Tupper who has long advocated a change in the intersection signal.

Farmington Public Safety Director Frank Lauboff said Sunday's accident occurred when an eastbound vehicle hit a southbound vehicle broadside. The accident was handled by Livonia Police.

"Wayne County came to this conclusion as a result of the high occurrence of head-on type accidents, and the fact that the intersection would operate at an acceptable level of service when the left-hand turn signals are in use," said Farmington City Manager Robert Deadman in a report to the city council Monday.

Deadman said county officials at first refused to consider the change, but Farmington and Farmington Hills compiled the data and presented it to them anyway. "When we presented the facts, they said 'we need a signal,'" Deadman added.

Wayne County told local officials the new signal is expected to be in place in late 1992, with the cost to be shared with Oakland County.

Farmington city officials Monday commended Lauboff and Farmington Hills traffic engineer Kevin McCarthy, and members of the Oakland County Traffic Improvement Association for their work.

## Van, pickup collide

Three people were injured, two seriously, Sunday when a van collided with a pickup truck in the Eight Mile-Farmington intersection, police said.

A Westland woman who was a front-seat passenger in the van was in serious condition with a collapsed lung, police said.

The driver of the van, the 68-year-old husband of the woman, was treated and released from St. Mary. Police said the Livonia man, driving a 1990 Ford pickup, was headed eastbound on Eight Mile when it was struck broadside by a 1988 Dodge van headed southbound on Farmington.

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