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## Miracle motorists

Two Hamtramck women walked away from this car Thursday morning after the driver lost control as she was changing lanes on I-275, north of Nine Mile in Farmington Hills. When she lost control, the left side of her car struck the back dual wheels of a semitruck. The woman's car bounced off that semitruck and was thrown into the path of a second semitruck, which struck her car in the driver's door, according to a

spokesman from the Michigan State Police Northville post. It took rescuers 40 minutes with the Jaws of Life extrication tool to free the women from their car. The women received minor injuries. The driver of the second semitruck, which also landed in the median with the car, had no injuries. The accident was blamed on the snowy, wet weather.

## campus pipeline

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### • INTO THE STREETS

"Albion College senior Rodney Franchi of Farmington Hills joined thousands of American college students on Nov. 1 to fight social problems as part of the "Into the Streets" program. Participating students spent two to four hours working with community social service agencies to address 17 issues. At Albion College, students volunteered in eight areas: children's education and li-

teracy, the environment by focusing on recycling, domestic violence, mental health, homelessness, hunger, senior citizens and substance abuse.

Franchi, an economics and history major, is a 1986 graduate of North Farmington High School.

### • DEAN'S LIST

Mark Swelstad of Farmington Hills was named to the dean's list at Ohio State University. He is a senior majoring in history.

Julianne Markey and Jessica Brenz of Farmington Hills and Craig Sullivan of Farmington were named to the dean's list at Ferris State University.

### • ELECTED PRESIDENT

Amy Drasin of Farmington Hills

was elected president of the Michigan State University Accounting Club. She is a senior majoring in business. She is a graduate of West Bloomfield High School.

### • SHE'S A MEMBER

Cynthia Lynn of Northville is a member of Taylor Christian Artists at Taylor University in Upland, Ind. for the 1991-1992 school year. She is a graduate of Farmington High School. She is a junior majoring in music.

### • THEY PERFORMED

Anjalee Deshpande of Farmington Hills played the role of Tekonjavilla in the Kalamazoo College production of "Indians." Gary Otaj of Farmington played the role of John Grass in the same production.

Deshpande is a graduate of North Farmington High School and Otaj is a graduate of Farmington High School. They are both freshmen.

### • RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP

Christopher Belling, formerly of Farmington, has received a scholarship to attend Oxford University in England. He received the Weaver Scholarship from the Intercollegiate Studies Institute, an organization dedicated to academic excellence. He is pursuing a Ph.D. in medieval history at Exeter College of Oxford and is living in the United Kingdom. He is a graduate of the 1982 class of Catholic Central High School. He received a B.A. in history from Kalamazoo College and an M.A. in medieval studies this year from Western Michigan University.

## 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**  
Council Chambers  
31555 11 Mile  
7:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 9

The council will have a show cause hearing for the demolition of a dangerous building at 21641 Jacksonville, Section 38. This was postponed from the Nov. 25 meeting.

The council also will consider a two-year extension for the Year 2000 ad hoc committee as well as introduction of ordinances to amend the city code to conform with new state laws for seat belts and mandatory child restraints. The council also will introduce an ordinance to amend the city code to penalize motorists overtaking or meeting a school bus under certain circumstances.

The council also will consider approving an agreement with Miami Pool for 12 Mile Road right-of-way acquisition, as well as approving an agreement with Michigan National Corp. for 12 Mile Road right-of-way acquisition.

**Farmington Board of Education**  
Gill Elementary School  
21195 Gill Road  
Tuesday, Dec. 10  
6 p.m. — Finance committee  
6:45 p.m. — Tour of Gill  
7:30 p.m. — Dedication of Gill  
8 p.m. — Regular meeting

The board Finance Committee meets at 6 p.m. in the Gill music room to discuss:

- current and projected fund equity
- timing and other issues surrounding future millage elections
- Dec. 31 and March 31 balance sheets

- statement of revenues and expenditures
- breakdown of expenses for: text and teaching supplies, AV/media/computer materials, instructional services, supportive services, transportation, athletics, food service and all others.

From 6:45 p.m. to 8 p.m., the board will tour the renovated Gill facility and dedicate it. During the regular meeting, the board will see a presentation from Gill Elementary, recognize the Harrison High football team, revise the 1991 budget, hear an update on the superintendent's trip to Washington, D.C., hear a report on the superintendent's article about the threat to Social Security, and handle second reading of a number of agenda items.

**Farmington Naturalists**  
Spicer House  
Heritage Park  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10

The meeting will feature Don and Mary Teets of Backyard Birds who will talk about backyard bird feeding.

**Farmington Hills Planning Commission**  
and  
**Farmington Hills Zoning Board of Appeals**  
Council chambers  
31555 11 Mile  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10

This is a joint meeting between the two groups. Topics include seasonal businesses and regulating the location of accessory buildings.

**Farmington Hills ethics committee**  
lower level conference room  
31555 11 Mile  
7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11

The committee will discuss political campaign and will review and discuss report draft.

**Farmington Community Library**  
Hills branch  
32737 12 Mile  
5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12

The board will approve expenditures for the month, award a contract for magazine and journal subscriptions and discuss the continuing difficulties with the Hills telephone system. The director will discuss possible grant proposals from the Michigan Initiative and the Michigan Equity Program.

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