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getting people involved," Gelman said.

As in the past, the Farmington Civic Theater will offer free movie presentations at 11:30 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 3 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. "All I Want for Christmas," rated G, is this year's selection.

A holiday trolley will run from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. from the Village Mall area on the east end of downtown to the Warner home on the west. Twelve trolley stops will be set up so participants can park and ride. Look for the trolley stop signs.

Enjoy free refreshments from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. while visiting with Santa under the tent.

Create a holiday decoration at the downtown Farmington Com-

munity Library. Parents can receive children's book holiday gift-giving suggestions.

Visit the Farmington Historical Museum courtesy of Books Abound and Focal Point Studio who are picking up the admission tab.

Participating merchants will provide special shopping areas for kids, with gifts available for under \$10.

Christmas and Hanukkah gift wrapping is also available under the tent. There will be a nominal fee for this service. Proceeds will benefit the Community Center of Farmington/Farmington Hills.

Two banners over the streets announcing Santa's arrival are planned.

Dolan tapped for House post

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State Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills, will be the 1993-94 associate speaker pro tem of the Michigan House of Representatives, if Republicans take control of that legislative body in January.

The three-term lawmaker was elected to the position Thursday by her GOP colleagues. Along with the speaker and speaker pro tem, the associate speaker presides over legislative sessions.

"I am extremely pleased to have been selected by my peers to serve in this capacity," Dolan said. "I look forward to the challenge of making fair, even-handed decisions and helping move an agenda that will benefit the entire state."

The lawmaker said her mayoral experience presiding over Farm-

ington Hills council meetings will bring an additional dimension to her responsibilities.

"Besides chairing city council meetings, I was a Boy Scout den mother for five years, so I think I

am a fairly good hand at arbitrating differences," Dolan said.

Although the Nov. 3 election resulted in a 55-55 tie, Republicans hope to take control of the House on Jan. 13, under the leadership of Paul Hillegonda. The Holland lawmaker was selected speaker by the GOP caucus and officially will assume the position if Republicans organize the House.

"With major changes in membership, including the defeat of Speaker Lewis Dodak, the public has indicated its desire for a change at the helm of state government," Dolan said. "After 24 years, House Republicans are ready to assume that leadership role."

"This will signal a new era in Michigan politics in which real



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problem-solving will take precedence over the gridlock that has crippled the legislature for too many years. My colleagues and I intend to show that the legislative process is alive and well, and help restore public confidence in state government."

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called for help and offered a partial description of the robbers and their get-away car, including a license plate number.

Police traced the vehicle to a residence, and with the aid of Farmington Hills police arrested three suspects. Sgt. Timothy Sheridan said some jewelry, a stereo and some cash were recovered, but no weapon was found.

Ferguson was the only victim to testify at the preliminary examination. He testified that the trio made threats and demanded cash.

Ferguson said he is particularly sure the defendants were the intruders because he recognized John Bradley as the brother of a person he knows relatively well. He also identified Peric and

Greene. Bradley, Peric and Greene are scheduled to appear before Circuit Judge Fred M. Mester at 1:30 p.m. Nov. 30.

Following their examination, all three defendants were released to the Oakland County Jail after failing to post bonds of \$150,000 each.

West Bloomfield Police Chief Ron Cronin last week again said the robbery was not an isolated incident. "The defendants apparently knew the victims and they operated with prior knowledge."

Cronin commented Sheridan, officer John Balian and the Farmington Hills Police Department for their work and cooperation.

Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills has installed a new CT scanner. The General Electric CT system is the first of its kind in Michigan and one of 12 in the country, according to hospital officials.

The scanner, GE's new CT HSpeed Advantage, is built with slip ring technology. The slip ring system provides faster scanning and better image quality than conventional systems.

"This new CT scanner places Botsford Hospital on the cutting edge of imaging services," said Botsford radiology department chairman Dr. Samuel Jassenoff.

"With faster scanning, we will have increased patient comfort and the capability to perform improved studies of moving organs."

As an example of the new CT system's speed, it is capable of scanning an entire chest in 20 seconds. This is roughly half the time it would take a conventional CT scanner to perform the same task.

The CT scanner was also purchased with software that produces three-dimensional reconstruction of images. A 3-D image can be completely rotated, allowing physicians to better see the area they will be operating on.

This is especially useful for evaluation of traumatic orthopedic procedures, Jassenoff explained.

This technology, said a GE spokesperson, is a prelude to sophisticated presurgical assessment where physicians can actually simulate surgery on a computer to identify possible complications before surgery is performed.

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