

CARRIER OF THE MONTH: FARMINGTON

Jeff, 15, delivers the Observer in the Farmington Meadows subdivision. He has been delivering the Observer since June 1989. The Farmington High School 10th grader's favorite subjects are math and science.

His hobbies are rollerblading, soccer and hockey. The honor roll student's future plans are to be an engineer. Meeting and working with people and handling responsibility are some of the skills Jeff has learned on his route.

Jeff is the son of Geny and Terry Meller. He has one brother, Chris, 16.

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Jeff Meller

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MATH MASTERS

Harrison students Avi Drisman and Morris Slutsky were in the top 100 in the Michigan Mathematics Prize Competition. Drisman, a junior, was a bronze prize winner while Slutsky, a senior, received an honorable mention. This year, some 18,000 students statewide participated in the competition.

Psychiatric exam set for holdup suspect

A Redford Township man accused of holding up a Farmington Hills restaurant at gunpoint on Feb. 25.

In the robbery, a man told a clerk he was armed and dangerous and demanded money at about 10:40 p.m. The clerk had noticed that the robber had come out of the man's room where police later found an empty food stamp coupon book with Tripp's name and identification number.

The exam took place at the Oakland County Jail where Farmington Hills Police had moved Tripp. Police said Tripp was behaving violently in his cell at the Hills station and had to be moved to the county facility.

Tripp is accused of robbing the White Castle restaurant at gunpoint on Feb. 25.

The clerk gave a description of the robber that matched with that of Tripp. He was charged with unarmed robbery and faces up to five years in prison.

1 of 2 suspects pleads guilty to motel robbery

Two men charged with robbing a Farmington Hills motel made different pleas at their Oakland County Circuit Court arraignments March 10.

Jason Wells Washington, 20, pleaded guilty as charged to armed robbery of the Comfort Inn on 12 Mile at Orchard Lake.

An undercover police officer arrested Washington after he ran the scene Feb. 10. Washington dropped a gun and a bag with \$400.

Washington faces up to life in prison and awaits sentencing. Washington also faces charges for a similar robbery of the same hotel in January. His preliminary examination on that armed robbery charge is scheduled for Monday in 47th District Court.

Rodney Delterro Lynn, 21, pleaded not guilty and will go to trial. No trial date has been set for Lynn.

Lynn had been working for the motel at the time of the robbery. He has not been charged in the January robbery.

ON THE AGENDA

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

Farmington Hills City Council
Farmington Hills City Hall
471-6115
7:30 p.m. Monday, March 15, 1993

Agenda items include:

- Consideration of determination and cost hearing for dust control program for 1993 and award of contract to Michigan Chloride Sales, Inc., in the amount of \$56,925
- Consideration of projected use of Community Development Block Grant Program.
- Consideration of appointments to boards and commissions.

■ Consideration to approve budget for 20th anniversary celebration.

Farmington City Council
Farmington City Hall
474-5500
8 p.m. Monday, March 15

Items on the agenda include:

- Request from Downtown Development Authority to conduct Farmer's Market.
- City manager report on the appointment of a Director of Public Safety.
- Request for Caddell drain erosion repair petition and resolution.
- Public Safety Department Annual Operations Report through Dec. 1992.

OBITUARY**DAVID KEITH MAHLE**

Mr. Mahle, 46, of Farmington Hills died March 9.

Born in Ferndale, Mr. Mahle was a self-employed sales broker in the import clothing industry, steel industry, chemical and sanitation business and at one time started a video production company.

Mr. Mahle was a graduate of Edmore High School and attended the University of Michigan on a scholarship.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia; mother, June Mahle; father, Vern Mahle; brothers, Richard and Robert; sisters, Gail Woodruff and Jill Mahle.

Services were March 12 the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. T. Richard Maris of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in Belvidere Twp.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

St. Pat's Day program on cable

Metrovision will cablecast live the annual WJR J.P. McCarthy St. Patrick's Day Program this coming Wednesday, March 17, from 7-9 a.m.

Many Michigan policy makers will be interviewed during this program, which is being produced by the Michigan Cable Television Association.

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What made this winter worse than others is the length of it and the longstanding icy conditions. Any winter is a strain on arthritic joints. When hands are deformed, putting on gloves, if possible at all, is an exhausting task. Mittens are a possible substitute, but mean a substantial loss in your ability to hold on outdoors if you begin to slip or fall.

If you have arthritis of the feet, you need similar problems wearing rubbers or gashers. If you have arthritis involving both hands and feet, then you cannot put on proper winter gear without help. Furthermore, those assisting you must be fairly mobile to undertake the bending and buttoning required for a proper fit of winter boots.

Usually you have trouble explaining to others what hazards for you come with the icy conditions that are part of even a mild winter. If the season is drawn out, as this one was, you must stay in. It is the confinement and the increased dependence on others, as much as your joint infirmity, that causes you prolonged ache.

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