



What a find: Sharon Johnson of Farmington Hills walks away with a \$3 find that she will use in the guest room her grandchildren use when they visit.



Hi Ken! At left, Olivia Scheffler, 2½, of Farmington Hills, pulls a Ken doll from a doll house, while Jacquelyn McClain, 3, also of Farmington Hills, plays with other garage sale items. Below, Nancy Garcia shows a Farmington Hills woman how to use a live chipmunk trap.

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Pair picks up on trash as fund-raiser

Ann Pettersson and Nancy Garcia are walking buddies. Every day, no matter the weather, they hike five miles through the subdivisions of Farmington Hills.

They're also trash-pickers. If it's trash day in a sub, they keep an eye out for usable stuff on the curb. Then they grab it before the garbage truck comes along.

Over the months, a lot of snatched items have made it to the Pettersson garage. Recently it was time to unload some of the goods through that suburban institution, the garage sale.

Pettersson said about 200 stopped by the sale. The two

women donated \$100 - about 25 percent of the sales - to the American Cancer Society. Both women do volunteer work at the charity's Discovery Shop in downtown Farmington.

"We had a real good response, and we sold just about everything," she added. "Our first sale was a kids' teeter-totter. The woman who bought it said, 'I'm not even garage-selling, but I spotted this and my kid's just gotta have it.'"

It was strictly no sale when it came to the Pettersson family, though. "My husband saw a couple of things he wanted, but I wouldn't sell them," she said.



Municipalities still tapping into water-use restrictions

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Outdoor watering restrictions drip on in the Farmington area, at least until the end of the month.

Detroit Water and Sewerage Department has decided to restrict outside use through July 31, maintaining the odd/even schedule instituted in June.

For example, residents who live at an even-numbered address may only water their lawns on an even-numbered calendar day. The same applies for residents at odd-numbered addresses on odd-numbered calendar days.

Outdoor water use is not permitted at any other time.

Repeat violations can result in a \$100 fine. City officials from Farmington and Farmington Hills say residents have heeded the restrictions.

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The Hills have taken a similar tack when enforcing the restrictions.

"In general, residents have been great," Farmington Hills Public Services Director Tom Binassell said. "We remind them and when we remind them, they generally comply."

"We have not written any violations."

The restrictions were put into effect in June after the area went several days without rain. At the time, the Michigan Department of Public Health de-

termined that adequate water pressure and supply could no longer be maintained from the city of Detroit.

There is no water emergency at present, according to a statement released by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, but the possibility of extended hot and dry weather exists as does the potential for a major system failure.

Also, the department said the extension allows its wholesale customers, such as cities like Farmington and Farmington Hills, to refine notifications and emergency procedures and get local water use ordinances in place.

Hills officers, civilians earn department awards, citations

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Based on the recommendation of the Citation and Award Board at its June meeting, the Farmington Hills Police Department announced awards.

Officers Mike Fluhart and Mike LaFave received life-saving awards.

Fluhart administered life-saving cardiopulmonary resuscitation to an 11-year-old boy who had stopped breathing. LaFave, while off duty, administered the Heimlich maneuver to a young boy who was choking in a restaurant.

Fluhart also received a citation along with officers Robert Burkart, Brad Schwartz and Scott Cronin.

Fluhart and Cronin were cited for arresting a suspect for carrying a concealed weapon in a motor vehicle on May 2. Burkart was cited for arresting a suspect in for a business break-in on March 12. Schwartz was cited for arresting two suspects for carrying a concealed weapon in a motor vehicle on April 22.

Lt. Marty Bledsoe and officers James Baker, Mike Meister and Madeleine Zimmer received unit citations for disarming a dangerous individual outside of a bank on May 12.

Officers Stacie Swandorski and Alan Soderlund received commendations for arresting a suspect for an automobile break-in on Feb. 20.

The department also awarded

civilian citations.

Robert and Carme Kay and Carme Hollifield were cited for providing valuable information to officers responding to the scene of a homicide/aide on March 3.

Frank and Teresa Drotar were cited for providing information on suspected car thieves, which led to their arrest on May 6.

Dispatchers Donna Reid and Patricia Sullivan were cited for their instruction by phone of rescue breathing procedures to a distraught mother on her infant child on April 17.

Shakera Bohra was cited for finding and turning in a large sum of money to the police department on April 25.

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