

FARMINGTON FOCUS

Share your stress

Attention, Farmington-area residents who think they are stressed out over a job or personal situation. The Observer would like to hear from you.

The newspaper is planning an article on the subject of stress. Reporter Bill Content wants to meet some local people who are coping with stressful situations.

Those with stressful stories to tell should write the Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington 48335; call the paper (477-5450 voice, 477-9722 fax); or stop in at the office in downtown Farmington.

It's madam president

Ev Papal, director of the Farmington Community Library, has been elected president of the Michigan Library Association.

Established more than 100 years ago, the MLA is a non-profit educational agency chartered by the state of Michigan. The association promotes library services for all state residents, advocates for library funding at the local, state and national levels, and provides educational opportunities for library staffers.

The MLA has more than 200 individual and institutional members, representing public, academic, school and corporate libraries.

What a Guy!

Gwen Guy, a nursing assistant at Botsford Continuing Health Center in Farmington Hills, is the organization's "Applause! Applause!" winner for July.

Guy, a Detroit, has worked at BCHC for five years, the last two as a senior nursing assistant. Her responsibilities include providing nursing support and caregiving to the residents. BCHC, a 170-bed nursing facility, gives "Applause! Applause!" awards monthly to highlight outstanding employees.

Memory Lane

From the July 21, 1955 edition of the Farmington Enterprise:

More than 100 youngsters took part in the Farmington Schools' summer band program, according to directors Lloyd Smith and Bob Zimmerman.

Teen Town, a new club for all Farmington-area teens, met for the first time at the Salem Evangelical Church.

"If you're troubled by a noise in your car, let her drive."

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POLICE/FIRE CALLS

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

Farmington Hills firefighters responded to 175 runs for the week of July 10-16, about double the runs in a normal week, because of storm activity. Of those, 36 (21 percent) involved downed power lines, 11 (6 percent) were for false alarms, mostly caused by storms, 50 (29 percent) were medical emergencies and 18 (10 percent) were for rescue calls.

FIRES

Farmington Hills firefighters from Station 2 responded to a house fire at 10:57 p.m. July 14 on Yorkridge. When firefighters arrived, flames were showing from the second floor. Firefighters put out the fire, which caused \$125,000 in damage to the property and \$100,000 in damage to contents from flames and smoke. The fire is under investigation.

Residents at Detroit Baptist Manor on 13 Mile reported that lightning strikes caused two light fixtures to catch fire. Firefighters from stations 2 and 4 responded

at 6:58 p.m. July 16. There were no injuries and damage was \$100.

AUTO THEFTS

A 1985 Chrysler Lebaron was stolen from Jerry's Marathon on 10 Mile in Farmington Hills between June 3 and July 12.

A teal 1993 Ford Mustang worth \$14,000 was stolen from the Village Oaks Apartments on Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills July 16.

A blue 1991 Ford Mustang hatchback was stolen from the Gateway Apartments on Gateway in Farmington Hills July 15-16.

A black 1995 Jeep Wrangler (\$16,000) was stolen from the Windemere Apartments on Independence in Farmington Hills July 16-17.

BREAK-INS

The passenger door lock and window of a red 1995 Dodge Neon parked on Sprucewood in Farmington Hills sustained \$250 in damage, and a set of Wilson golf clubs worth \$500 and a golf bag worth \$100 were stolen July 11-12.

Farmington Hills police responded to a report of a break-in on Hylton at 4:00 p.m. July 14

and found two women in a red 1992 Ford Escort in the house's driveway with a box overflowing with jewelry. Officers arrested the two women, 19 and 34, both from Detroit. The women had jewelry, clothing, \$2,000 in cash and other items.

A tire and wheel were stolen from red 1995 Nissan Sentra parked at the Timber Ridge Apartments on Timber Ridge in Farmington Hills July 16-16 after the driver's side window had been broken (\$150).

Tools (\$10,000) were stolen from a storage shed and garage at a residence on Eight Mile in Farmington Hills after the door had been forced open (\$300) July 14-15.

The lock to a shed at the Nardin Park Church on 11 Mile was broken and a \$325, 20-in. mulching mower, a \$175 Stihl weedwacker and a \$600 Yardman wood chipper were stolen July 16.

Five 1995 Dodge Ram vans at Bob Saks on Grand River in Farmington Hills were broken into causing a total of \$3,000 in damage and five combination TV's

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Resident wins Soap Box Derby car kit

Chester Kleinski of Farmington has received a complete Soap Box Derby car kit. Kleinski was one of 200 winners nationwide in a Sweepstakes Giveaway sponsored by All-America Soap Box Derby and supported by Kmart.

After completing the car using step-by-step instructions, Kleinski will be eligible to compete in one of approximately 100 Soap Box Derby races held throughout the United States this summer. Winners from each race will com-

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