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**Glad grad:** Rebekah Lee Amos receives her diploma from Farmington Board of Education trustee Cathy Webb during Farmington High's commencement ceremony at Crisler Arena June 2. Amos was one of 252 Farmington High graduates.

## Grad tidings

### FHS seniors make the grade

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This year's Farmington High graduating class adopted "Rock On" for its theme, and then proceeded to stage its own academic Woodstock.

The class of 1996 boasted a record number of students — 38 — who graduated with a 3.75 or better grade point average. Another 40 students posted a 3.5 GPA or higher.

More than 90 percent graduates said they're headed to college, including Tom Mondoux who has been accepted to the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

"This is a phenomenal class," Farmington High assistant principal John Barrett said. "Not only were they good academically, they were good athletically and they showed leadership."

They were great kids."

Class members distinguished themselves inside and beyond the buildings on Shiawassee Street.

Class President Matt Michalski preceded the school year by shaking hands with United States President Bill Clinton during national Boys State.

Sheryl Stumbaugh, who graduated with high honors, distinguished herself on the ski slopes as a Special Olympian.

Homecoming set the tone. Seniors were co-winners for best float in the annual homecoming parade and won spirit week. The homecoming dance was one of the most successful ever, Matt Michalski said.

"After that, things just flow by for us," said Michalski, who will attend the University of Michigan in the fall.



**Hug for the future:** Farmington High grads Jessica Boyd and Jessica Urbiel congratulate one another after commencement. Some 90 percent of Farmington High's graduating class plans to attend college.



**In focus:** Dad Gene Crawford zooms in with his camera while mom Andrea watches proudly as they celebrate their son Matt Crawford's high school graduation.

**Tassel toss:** Farmington High graduates complete the ceremonial moving of the tassel from left to right.



## 6 people reappointed to city commissions

Farmington City Council has reappointed six members for three of its commissions.

Alton Bennett and James Pogue will each serve three-year terms on the Planning Commission. Their current terms expired June 15.

Among its duties, the nine-member Planning Commission reviews and approves building site plans and makes recommendations to council concerning amendments to the zoning code.

J. Lee Ratliff, Dara Tolbert, and alternate William Burke have also been reappointed to three-year terms on the city's Board of Zoning Appeals. The board hears complaints regarding property assessments John Washburn, whose term

expired June 15, will serve another three years on the Farmington Area Commission on Aging. The commission, which includes members from both Farmington Hills and Farmington, promotes the rights of older adults.

Two openings exist on the Farmington Beautification Committee.

The 15-member committee advises council on beautification considerations and promotes and recognizes ongoing projects. The committee meets the second Wednesday of each month.

Those interested can pick up an application in the City Manager's Office at City Hall or call 474-5500 for information.



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