

Hills man named to philanthropic group
Carl Shullman of Farmington Hills has been named a Knight of the Million Dollar Round Table Foundation, the philanthropic arm of the association of life insurance producers.

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TO DISCUSS & SIGN *MAVIS*
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Mavis is a powerful first novel about a North Dakota farm family's six close-knit sisters and the one who will sacrifice anything for the others. Brenda Marshall has written a haunting, provocative portrait of family love and its endless tests of loyalty and devotion and a moving depiction of the heartland and its way of life.



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Candidate entitled to be in parade

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An allegation by 37th District House candidate Andrew Raczkowski that one of his Republican opponents, Cathy Webb, was given a "free ride" in this year's Founders Festival parade is not true.

HOUSE RACE

Raczkowski complained that Webb, one of three others running for the house seat now held by Jan Dolan, rode prominently in the July 13 parade as the Farmington Area Citizen of the Year even though previous honorees hadn't.

Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jody Soronen said every citizen of the year has been in the parade, at least since she has been involved with the festival.

after complaints by Webb and other that his campaign workers had gotten into the parade without an invitation. The festival parade does not allow campaign in the parade.

Teen pleads no contest in home invasion case

A 16-year-old Farmington Hills boy pleaded no contest to charges that he caused \$250,000 in damage to a house on Lancaster in Farmington Hills more than a year ago.

The plea came in Oakland County Probate Court in Pontiac Thursday. A sentencing date had not been set.

The incident took place over Memorial Day weekend of 1995. Bruce and Lucretia Jackson, who are African-American, returned from a visit to Chicago to find their house trashed, with spray paint, water damage and other problems.

The words "white power" appeared to be sprayed on an upstairs wall.

The Farmington Hills community and others outside the city responded with outrage toward what many saw as a racial hate crime and with money offers of help and consolation toward the Jacksons.

Farmington Hills police investigated the crime as a gang-related act of vandalism. Jackson had complained to police about nearby gang graffiti, something the police believe made his house a target for retaliation.

A clarification concerning a recent Observer story should be noted:

reported that 12.2 acres of land that the Walled Lake school district is interested in selling is located near Meadowbrook-12 Mile roads. The so-called "DNR

property" is located at the end of Oaksdale near Gittins Road, in the vicinity of Commerce Elementary School.

■ A July 8 article incorrectly

Meanwhile, the district does

have another parcel it would like to sell, near Meadowbrook-12 Mile, said Sandra Motz, executive director for business services.

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Fire safety tours offered once again

Due to "overwhelming response" from citizens seeking to participate in a tour of Project Fire Safety, the Farmington Hills Fire Department will be offering tours to groups of citizens on an appointment basis.

"We'd be happy to show a group from a school, business or even a family through the house," said Chief Richard Marinucci.

Nearly 500 people participated in the fire safety education tour during the Founders Festival Weekend July 11, 12 and 13. Emphasis is being placed on fire prevention practices, smoke detector placement and maintenance, home escape planning and residential fire suppression systems.

Demonstration fires were ignited and extinguished in two similarly furnished bedrooms, one with and one without a residential sprinkler in place. A kitchen (cooking with grease) fire and a living room fire will also be included. The intention is to impress the public with the quick thorough devastation caused by a small fire in the home.

Groups of citizens, employees, service organizations or homeowners associations are invited to make an appointment to visit the fire houses located near the City of Farmington Hills Administrative Complex on Orchard Lake Road just south of Eleven Mile.

Guided tours may be scheduled by contacting the Farmington Hills Fire Department at 553-0740.

Police, from A4

tor at Wicker Trucking on Halsted at Eight Mile July 17-18 causing \$600 in damage.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In Farmington Hills:
A Hills man, 33, told Hills police that his wife, 33, slapped and pushed him during an argument at his Tuck road residence. They are divorcing.

DRUGS

In Farmington Hills:
Hills police arrested a Hills man, 39, at the Park Motel on Grand River at 9:40 p.m. July 18 for possession of marijuana.

SEXUAL ASSAULT

In Farmington:
A social worker told Farmington police she was physically and sexually assaulted by a man during a case visit to the resident's residence at Chatham Hills Apartments July 18. The suspect, who has been diagnosed with schizophrenia, put his arms around the worker and rubbed up against her and tried to block her way when she tried to leave, police reports said. The man reportedly told her he loved her. The worker was there to remove excess food from the man's apartment because he is a diabetic.

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