



That's it: William Grace students Casey Matteson and Jennifer Bryson watch Stephen Das bow at the fifth annual "Bowlathon" for Team Farmington Special Olympics.

## Bowlathon

### A strike for Special Olympics

The fifth annual "Bowlathon" for Team Farmington Special Olympics was so successful that participants "took over the entire bowling alley," said Farmington Mayor Mary Bush.

Indeed, Drakeshire Lanes on Grand River in Farmington Hills was filled to capacity with 35 squads of five bowlers each during Saturday's fund-raiser for Team Farmington. More than \$26,000 was raised from the event, about \$1,000 more than the originally hoped for amount.

Bush bowled on the "Kids World" PlayScape team. Other squads were from the police and fire departments of both Farmington and Farmington

Hills, city council teams and business entries.

Proceeds will help Team Farmington fund travel to tournaments and purchase sports equipment for the 16 sports it competes in. Besides bowling, different sporting events include alpine skiing, basketball, cross country skiing, golf, gymnastics, powerlifting, soccer, softball, speed skating, swimming, tennis, track, volleyball, weightlifting and polo hockey.

Team Farmington, affiliated with Oakland County Special Olympics, has more than 300 athletes and more than 50 volunteer coaches.



Having fun: Yvonne and Aaron Burke turned out for Saturday's fund-raiser at Drakeshire Lanes in Farmington.



Good one: Karen Potempa congratulates Jerry Tubbs for his strike during the fund-raiser that will provide money for needed sports equipment.



Patience: Farmington City Councilman Bill Hartsock and Tyler Van Velzor wait for their next turn at Drakeshire Lanes Saturday.

# break

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