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Patient retrieved: Farmington Hills fire breathe a sigh after working feverishly to pull a mannequin from the

sirens wailing.

Teams are judged on coordination and control of the scene, safety, technique in using tools and removing the patient and, of course, speed.

"How would you want to be treated during a wreck, that's what we're judging them on," said Elgin Browning, an Orange, Teams firefighter and judge.

In limited competition, rescue workers use hand tools powered by air compressors. They are allowed to use the Jaws of Life during the unlimited phase.
"You never know what you're presented with until you get there," said Peter Baldwin, Farmington Hills fire deputy chief. "So they have to be innovative."

chief. "So they have to be innovative.

"In the 20 years I've been
around, this has developed into
something of an art form."
Farmington Hills team made
its entrance in full gear to a
smattering of applause.
Battalion chief John Wells led
George Baker, Steve Biebel, Gerald Antoniotit, Dave Jones and
Brian Gallison to the scene.
They called out to each other
while assessing the situation.
"One patient is pinned here in
the driver's sent." one rescue
worker shouts while peering
inside. "His head is pinned
between the steering wheel and
the roof." the roof."

After stabilizing the wheels,

power tools come out. The Hills crew immediately starts chiseling and drilling door hinges. In a traffic acci-dent, a medic

In a traffic accident, a modic would be there to talk with a patient during the extrication. Firefighters put a cover over the victim to prevent debris from hitting him.

After a few minutes part of the

After a few min utes, part of the driver's side door pulls away to reveal a hand. A jack is used to widen an area between the door

widen an area between the door panel and caved roof.
Soon, rescue workers remove the mannequin on a stretcher.
They did good, said Larry Anderson of Hurst Tools, which makes extrication equipment.

which makes extri-cation equipment. "They did a lot of cutting, but they managed to keep the metal away from the victim."

Wheel lock: One of the first things fire rescue crews do is stabilize the wheels before trying to remove a person trapped inside a vehicle.

tion by using the Jaws of Life to remove a patient in less than two minutes.

The Hills team did the right

thing by attacking the door hinges, Anderson said. He com-

mended them for removing both door and frame. "They took it off as a unit," Anderson said. "That sometimes can cause problems, but they handled it well."

YMCA HIGHLIGHTS

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Fridays.

IKIds grades 7-9 can pick up games from 10:16 - 11:30 p.m. every Friday night at the YMCA. Open to Farmington/Farmington Hills residents. The cost is \$2 and doors will not open until 10:15.

Registration for summer camp is on going. There are plenty of openings for Summer Fun (grades 1-5), Summer Express (grades 6-8), Specialty and Sports Camps.

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