

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES

SPRING BOATING EXPO

The 9th annual Spring Boating Expo will be held March 16-18 at the Novi Expo Center. More than 100 exhibitors will gather under one roof, displaying boats for water skiing, fishing, cruising and personal watercraft. Special attractions include a Nautical Flea Market and a BassMaster Kids Casting Contest. Show hours are: Thursday, March 15 and Friday, March 16, 2 p.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday, March 17, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; and Sunday, March 18, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Cost is \$7 for adults, and children under the age of 12 are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 1-800-224-3008.

SPORTFISHING ASSOCIATION

The Oakland County Sportfishing Association meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Santa's Hall, 1985 Cass Lake Road, Keego

Harbor. Call (248) 693-4389 or visit the club's web site at <http://go.to/boca> for information.

DETROIT AREA STEELHEADERS
Detroit Area Steelheaders, Inc. membership meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at Knights of Columbus, St. Pius X, 6177 Chicago Road, in Warren. The public is welcome. More information can be obtained by calling Ed Wilczek at (810) 757-7385 or club President Ray Banbury at (810) 698-0310.

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS
Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5227 for more information.

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (248) 478-1484.

FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 16218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call Jim Kudaj at (734) 591-0843 for information.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS
The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843 for more information.

SOLAR

The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR), a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-8658 for more information.

Kensington Metropark near Milford/Brighton. For more information, contact the Kensington Metropark Nature Center at 1-800-477-3178.

FOXES, WOLVES AND COYOTES
Discover interesting facts about all foxes, wolves and coyotes through pictures and discussion during this program scheduled for Saturday, March 17 at the Nature Center of Kensington Metropark. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call 1-800-477-3178.

OAKLAND PARKS

COUNTY PARK REQUIREMENTS
Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6473 to register or for more information.

PERMITS
The 2001 Oakland County parks motor vehicle permits are now on sale at all county park offices and many parks and recreation and township offices. Cost is \$20 through April 30, 2001. After May 1, 2001, the permit cost will be \$25. All senior citizens (ages 62 and older) can purchase the permit for \$15 at all times. Call (248) 855-0906.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas.

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
SUMMARY OF PROCEEDING
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 5, 2001

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bates at 7:30 p.m.
Council Present: Barnett, Bates, Brickner, Ellis, Grant, McFee and Oliveria.

Council Absent: None.
Others Present: Assistant City Manager Whinnery, City Clerk Dornan, Directors Bissell and Countegnan and Attorney Donohue.

CITY COUNCIL

TOOK THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

- Recognized the 5th birthday celebration for the Youth Center After-School Program.
- Tabled to March 19, 2001, consideration of Planned Unit Development Agreement for a multi-phase integrated development to be located on land area adjacent to Orchard Lake/Northwestern Highway/14 Mile Road.
- APPROVED:
 - Contract with Michigan Department of Transportation to provide performance study/recommendations of alternate roadway improvements on Northwestern Highway/14 Mile/Maple/Orchard Lake Roads.
 - Employment in accordance with Section 10.01A of City Code.

NANCY BATES, Mayor
KATHRYN A. DORNAN, City Clerk

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
31555 Eleven Mile Rd.
Farmington Hills, MI 48336
PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: MARCH 22, 2001

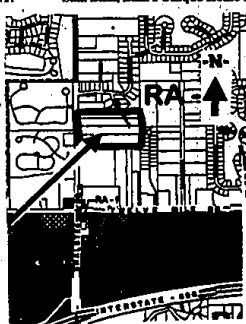
TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall
31555 Eleven Mile Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

ITEM: Site Condominium Plan 2, 1999

The following item has been requested to be on the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, March 22, 2001, at 7:30 P.M. for Tentative Approval of Preliminary Plan, Section 27-38 of the Code of the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan.

NAME: Whispering Woods
NO. OF LOTS: 19
LOCATION: East side of Halsted Road, North of Twelve Mile Road
Side/Sid 253-06-351-005, 006, 007 and 008
ACREAGE: 31 Acres
ZONING DISTRICT: RA-1A, Single-Family Residential District
PROPOSER: Sam Baki, Baki's Unique Home Builders



Any person who is interested in participating in the discussion of the plan request. The plan may be reviewed at the Planning Office of the City of Farmington Hills on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director
Planning & Community Development

Item: Site Condominium Plan 2, 1999
Phone: 248/473-9543
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Published: March 11, 2001

Time to prepare
for turkey season

OUTDOOR
EVENTS



BILL
PARKER

By Bill Parker

Three

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Although

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for grouse and

woodcock, the excited

outburst from my diaphragm

turkey call grabbed his attention.

My wife and two daughters

are used to my turkey calling

because Seoboy, a newcomer

to the household and my pre-

season antics, is still inquisi-

tive about those unusual

sounds emitting from my

home office.

To be on top of things when

opening day of the 2001

spring turkey season rolls

around next month I start

practicing my calling tech-

niques now.

If you're a beginner, take

time to learn your calls

because the season begins

with numerous tapes,

books and visual, that

can help unlock the mystery

of turkey calling. While it's

important to learn the proper

calls—yelps, clucks, purrs,

and cackles—the most used

is probably more important

to learn when to use each call.

When morning breaks and

you're already setup on a

roosted gobbler, you don't

want to open up with some

boisterous chicken cuts.

You'll undoubtedly scare the

boy out of his tail feathers.

You'd be much better off giv-

ing him an occasional, and

subtle cluck—a little tree talk

—just to let him know a hen is

near. On the other hand, if

daylight has dawned and

there is a group of three or

four gobblers 150 yards in the

distance there isn't much use

for those soft, subtle clucks

and purrs. In this instance,

you'd be much better off let-

ting loose with a few sultry

yelps, maybe even some excit-

ed cutting—depending on the

response you get the Boss

Tom's attention.

Another good opportunity to

learn about calling, setups,

bird biology and everything

else you need to know before

setting foot in the turkey

woods, is to attend a spring

turkey hunting workshop.

The Michigan Department

of Natural Resources, the

Michigan Wild Turkey

Hunters Association and the

National Wild Turkey Federa-

tion sponsor several work-

shops around the state each

spring that are worth their

weight in gold.

I've been hunting gobblers

for 12 years and have attend-

ed several workshops, but I

still try to fit one into my

schedule each spring as they

are beneficial to both inexpe-

rienced and veteran turkey

hunters.

While all provide instruc-

tion and information on the

intricacies of turkey hunting,

some even provide an oppor-

tunity to pattern your shot-

gun on an outdoor range. A

list of all the upcoming semi-

nars is included in the Michi-

gan Wild Turkey Hunting

Guide.

A couple of the closest work-

shops to the O&E area are

slated for March 24 in

Almont, north of Rochester,

(810) 798-3677; March 31 in

Davison, north of Clarkston,

(810) 736-1570; and April 7 at

the new Cabela's retail outlet

in Dundee, (734) 629-4700,

ext. 8097.

A wise veteran once told me

his secret to successful turkey

hunting: It's not how much

time you spend in the woods

during the season as it is how

much time you spend prepar-

ing for the season.

Practice those calls now,

learn all you can about the

habits and antics of spring

gobblers, and get out and

scout in the weeks leading up

to the season.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly

outdoor column for the

Observer & Eccentric News-

papers. Questions and comments

are also encouraged. Send

information to: Bill Parker,

c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple,

Birmingham, MI 48009)

OUTDOOR
EVENTS

By Bill Parker

Three

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ing into my

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Quite the

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Although

Seoboy, an

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN 48336

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

That the City Council of the City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively declared its intention to make the following improvement:

Construction of ROAD IMPROVEMENTS to be located in the City as follows:

STREET FROM TO

Herndonwood Drive 12 Mile Road Forestbrook Drive

That plans and specifications outlining the improvement and the location thereof are on file with the City Clerk for public examination, along with the costs of said project, which are proposed as follows:

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECTS \$255,100.00

PERCENT OF COST ASSESSED TO DISTRICT 22.27%

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST TO DISTRICT \$56,825.00

AVERAGE COST PER BASE UNIT TO BE ASSESSED \$ 2,083.08

That the City Council has tentatively designated the proposed special assessment district to include the following properties:

TIN, RE, SECTION 13, CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS,

PORTIONS OF SUBDIVISION ALONG HERNDONWOOD DRIVE,

INCLUDING TAX IDENTIFICATION PARCEL NUMBERS:

23-13-227-031 & 032 23-13-226-003 & 004

23-13-227-033 THROUGH 011 23-13-226-016 THROUGH 020

23-13-226-006 THROUGH 010 23-13-226-022

23-13-276-001 & 002 23-13-226-005 THROUGH 008

23-13-276-015

That the City Council will meet in the City Hall Council Chamber, 31555 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, Michigan on the 15th of March 2001, at 7:30 o'clock, P.M., to hear and consider any comments in opposition or in favor of said improvement.

If the City Council approves the making of the improvements, a special assessment may be levied against the properties that benefit from the improvements. Act 186 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1973, as amended, provides that the special assessment must be protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the special assessment. The hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, if at all, at some time in the future pursuant to notice given as required by law. Appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the City Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required.