

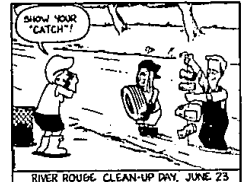
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**Golden Years:** Four Farmington couples recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries and a lifetime of friendship. See *HomeTown Life* / C7

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**Summer fun:** Anthony Lucas of Farmington Hills, Daniel Showalter and other local actors and presenters bring history to life this summer at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. / B1

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**BONNEVILLE**  
1991, 1 owner, low miles, no rust, great transportation.

"I sold it the first day the ad ran!"  
B.N. Northville

**OWN**

# Reid, Christian elected

## Voters renew school tax by large margin

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Farmington School Board incumbent Frank Reid was returned to a four-year seat Monday joined by newcomer Pam Christian. Their terms run to 2005.

It was a night of victory for Christian, who received a big hug from Farmington School Superintendent

Bob Maxfield after he announced ballot results to the crowd Tuesday evening. She cried tears of joy.

"The turnout was tremendous," Christian said. "We had six capable candidates. They all brought very unique talents to the board. When I decided to get into this, the first thing I did was talk to Priscilla Brouillette, my husband and Cathy Webb."

Election day held special meaning for Christian because it would have been her father's birthday if he were alive. "He would be so proud."

For Reid it was night of public reaffirmation and a vote of confidence for his first four years of service on the board. "I'm delighted," he said.

Please see ELECTION, A3

**FARMINGTON**  
60,375 Registered Voters  
4,219 Voted (6.98%)

Frank Reid - 2,327  
Pam Christian - 1,909

Phil Neuman - 1,308  
John Goshorn - 716  
Pam Charleston-Lyons - 576

## Voters talk about their choices

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Voters supported their personal picks Monday when they cast their ballots inside and talked about them outside polling places in Farmington Hills.

Debra Dunn, a Harrison High school custodian, said she backed only successful candidate Pam Christian. She didn't have a specific reason for casting her vote Christian's way at William Grace Elementary.

Please see VOTERS, A3



Last stop: Candidate Terry Eisey brought his campaign van to Longacre Elementary.



## American Legion essay contest winners honored

The American Legion Post 346 honored eight Farmington area students with special awards in the "Freedom Is Not Free" student essay contest. The contest was held in conjunction with the 60th anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration.

Nearly 50 entries were judged in the contest, which was open to all students in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

Radhika Upadhyaya, 13, a Power Middle School seventh grader, took first place for her essay, titled "Life, Liberty, and Freedom." She received a \$200 check.

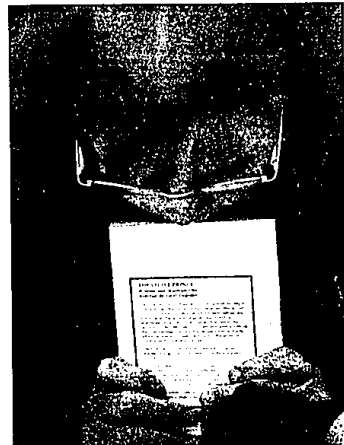
Basma Khoury, 13, a Power eighth-grade student who was born in Kuwait and experienced the Persian Gulf War first hand as a young child, took second place. She received a \$100 check.

Six students received honorable mention and \$50 checks for their essays. They include Adam Dubois, 13, a Power seventh-grader; Shannon Bailey, 14, an East eighth-grader; Steven Gibson, 11, an O.E. Dunckel sixth-grader; Nick Mimikos, 12, a Power seventh-grader; Danielle Lalli, 12, also a Power seventh-grade student; and Jeremy Petrous, 13, a seventh-grader at Dunckel middle school.

The students were presented with their awards by Post 346 representative Jack Curd, who spearheaded the contest. Awards were presented in the Farmington Observer office Thursday. Judges were Lorraine Christensen, wife of post chaplain Wally Christensen; Diane Bauman, Farmington Public Schools director of school/community relations; Mary Rodrigue, Farmington Observer HomeTown Life editor; Mary Bush, Farmington councilwoman; and Cathy Webb, Farmington school board member.

Essay contest winners: Pictured with Uncle Jack Curd of the American Legion Post (top row, center) are winners Basma Khoury and Radhika Upadhyaya (top row); Shannon Baily, Adam Dubois (middle); Danielle Lalli, Steven Gibson, Nick Mimikos. (foreground)

## Last bite of the apple



Don't cry: Melissa Bizer holds her copy of "The Little Prince," which Quigley gave to each student. Melissa later told friend Michelle Heller "I can't cry unless I see someone else cry... so don't cry."

## Sad goodbyes for new teacher

This story marks the final installment of our series following Highmeadow Common Campus teacher Karen Quigley during her first year as a teacher.

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The calendar said Thursday, June 7, was the final day of the school year. But from what was transpiring between Highmeadow Common



Please see LAST DAY, A3



So long, farewell: Karen Quigley waves to the last departing fifth graders. Both students and teacher will be at new schools next fall.



Batter up! Kathryn Wittbold connects as she swings at the pinata.

