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Heidi
Paquette
and
Shelly
Patrick
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May
I?" with
Zoe Lis,
Joey
Denton
and
Pooja
Singhi.



Rec unit brings summer fun to the streets



Fun wheels: Victoria, Samantha Beck share a drink.

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Fun on wheels is making its way to Farmington Hills neighborhoods this summer.

The city's two mobile recreation units are setting up day camps for kids in parks and common areas in subdivisions.

"We're taking recreation into the community," said Recreation Intern Emily Schmidt.

The mobile units offer volleyball, horseshoes, tug-of-war, crafts and a variety of other games.

"Anything we could think of - we'd probably do it," Schmidt said.

She is enthusiastic about the program. "I think it is awesome. When I was looking at interning in Farmington Hills this program caught my eye."

The mobile rec unit rolls into a subdivision about 9:30 a.m. and leaves about 3:30 p.m., said Bryan Farmer, recreation specialist.

The morning session is generally reserved for younger children, with older kids taking over activities in the afternoon.

"You can even rent out the rec unit with a 'party crew' for private parties," Schmidt said.

She said now that the word is getting out, the "party crew" is receiving a number of calls.

Farmington Hills had just one mobile recreation unit, before the purchase of a new van this year.

"It was an old ambulance that the city retired to us," Schmidt said.

For more information on the Mobile Recreation Units, call: (248) 473-1800.

REC NEWS

SAFETY TOWN

The Recreation Division is now taking registrations for the Safety Town Program. The Safety Town Program is designed for

ages 4-6 and consists of 2-week sessions (morning or afternoon) that teaches several safety aspects to kids. For information on Safety Town call 473-1800.

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A West Bloomfield man plans to renovate Town Tub Laundry at 22804 Orchard Lake Road into a party store which will contain a deli and pizzeria.

The building is located immediately south of the Grand Orchard Party Store at 22840 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington.

"Site plans for the renovation have already been approved by the city planning commission," said Farmington City Manager Frank Lauffhoff. "There are also approved site plans for renovation and expansion of the Grand Orchard Party Store building for office and retail."

Lauffhoff further explained the Grand Orchard Party Store will close. "One will close and the other will open," he said.

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