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researcher to apply holography to photoelastic stress analysis, which led to significant advances in industry. He was awarded numerous grants from the National Science Foundation and from private businesses. He received the MM Focht Award of the Society for Experimental Mechanics for his contributions in education and was a fellow of

the society. Oakland University President Gary Russi noted that "in addition to his excellence in teaching and research, he served on numerous committees, both on and off campus. This outstanding service brought him recognition in 1997 when he received the University's Research Excellence Award, and again in 1998

when the Michigan Association of Governing Boards of Colleges and Universities honored him as one of the distinguished faculty in the state for teaching, research and public service. Dr. Hovanessian's exceptional contributions and service to Oakland University and the community are too numerous to mention, and they will continue to have a

profound impact on the faculty, staff and students." Mr. Hovanessian was also a member of the Farmington Hills Planning Commission. He is survived by wife, Juliann; sons, Charles and John; brother, Daniel; and several nieces and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Armenian Church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48075.



He's a winner: Don Prover displays his winnings. At right is Angela Mieleczarek, co-owner of the franchise.

A sweet pay day

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Don Prover can prove it pays to eat at the Tim Horton's Restaurant located at 33340 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills. Prover, a Farmington Hills resident, received a \$1,000 check Monday for participating in the "Roll Up the Rim to Win Contest," recently sponsored by the store. "It was in spring," Prover said. "There were paper cups. You could unroll the lip, win a donut or coffee." His rim rollup revealed a number — \$1,000. "He was our biggest winner," said co-owner Angela Mieleczarek. "We usually do

this contest twice a year. Prizes are usually coffee, muffins or donuts. It's nice to see him win. He's so loyal. He comes in every day." Prover plans to share his wealth. A percentage of the money will be donated to the Penickton Center in Taylor, which assists blind children and those with other special needs. The center is a personal favorite of both he and wife Marion, who is president of the Farmington-area Lions Club. Some money will be used for a vacation, too. "Tim Horton's will get a part of it back because I go there regularly," Prover said. "They will probably end up getting all of it back."

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