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## Library staff honors volunteers



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Honored guests: Farmington Community Library volunteers gathered for lunch at the Farmington branch. Library staff hosted the event Thursday to say "thank you" to the men and women who have given nearly 8,000 hours of time to the downtown and 12 Mile Road branches over the past year. Among the guests were Dee Josaitis, who has volunteered at the library for more than 25 years, and Kay Briggs, who heads up the library's Junior Gardeners program. Briggs displays a book donated in her name, which was among the tokens of appreciation given to all volunteers.



Kay Briggs



Dee Josaitis

## New Burger King, same Grand River location

BY SUE BUCK  
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A new Burger King planned at 32704 Grand River in Farmington will replace an existing building that is 30 years old.

"It's due to be recycled," said Ken Jones, of Wightman Petrie, Inc., the project's architectural engineers.

The structure will be completely demolished except for an existing masonry wall and some light fixtures. A new styled Burger King sign will be added

to the franchise location.

"We will be redoing the landscaping," Jones said.

The Farmington Planning Commission unanimously granted site plan approval at its May 13 meeting.

Bravokilo, Inc. is targeting a late July or August demolition period which will take no longer than eight weeks, according to Jim Fitzpatrick of Wightman Petrie, Inc. "If this thing is closed more than eight weeks, people will start losing digits on their hands and toes," Fitzpatrick said.

There will be a push to get the job done. "We don't want the employees laid off that long," he said.

The new store will be slightly smaller, 2,800 square feet compared to its present 3,000 square feet.

"We have an additional second drive-thru window to improve our service and accuracy," Fitzpatrick said. "It will also have Burger King's unique Phase Two kitchen. Only about two dozen stores in the country have it. It's a prototype which allow us to serve a larger variety of menu

products. It's an organization of the kitchen which also has a new broiler which can cook several different products at the same time. We will have an opportunity to add different products. We can cook a regular steak sandwich and a thicker burger."

This will be the fourth store in metro-Detroit to have this kitchen. Others are on Telegraph and on Ecorse, both in Taylor, and on Ford Road in Garden City.

About five to 10 new employees will be hired, Fitzpatrick said.

## FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## CAR WASH BENEFIT

The Frank A. Marshall Order of Demolay will hold a car wash 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 18 in the Farmington Masonic Hall parking lot.

## GRAND OPENING

Mid American Pompon & Stu-

dio will hold its grand opening 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 18. The new studio is located at 24425 Indoplex Circle in Farmington Hills.

Local high school pom teams will perform and class registration will also be taken. The stu-

dio offers classes in pompon, cheer, hip-hop, yoga, cardio funk, conditioning for adults and more.

For more information call (248) 477-5248.

## MANSSION SECRETS

The Governor Warner Mansion will be exhibiting Victorian

Secrets 1-5 p.m. Wednesday, May 22.

The model wearing vintage clothing is a presentation and insight into a part of history and changing life styles.

Watch for future exhibits coming to the Mansion.

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