



Farmington Hills Police Department support staffers Laura Varga, Mary Ann Osikowicz, Marilyn Richardson and Maureen Wayman display just some of the auction items for the Police Benevolent Association's annual golf outing. Auction items include a Red Wings jersey autographed by the 2002 team, a framed and autographed Gordie Howe jersey, a luxury box for eight to attend the Detroit Symphony Orchestra with dinner at Opus One and a 32 inch Panasonic television.

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Hills Police Department golf classic benefits fund

The Farmington Hills Police Department Benevolent Association is hosting its Eighth Annual Golf Classic at the Links of Novi Golf Course Friday.

The event, starting at 11 a.m., includes golf, dinner, live and silent auctions, golf awards, and the raffle of more than 125 prizes. The evening highlight is a live auction hosted by singer/actress Karen Newman, restaurateur John Ginopolis, Channel 7

news anchor Guy Gordon and Farmington Hills Police Chief William Dwyer.

The Benevolent Association is made up of Farmington Hills Police, Farmington Hills Firefighters, Franklin Police and the Farmington Department of Public Safety. The association disburses the proceeds to department family members of deceased police officers, firefighters and other members of the

community in need.

This year's outing is dedicated to the memory of Farmington Hills Police Sgt. Bertis Cook Jr., Police Officer Gary Brudley, and Franklin Police Officer Peter Thom.

People interested in providing tax deductible support (IRS 501(c)(3)), seeking more information or attending the auctions on Friday may contact Hills Police Chief William Dwyer at (248) 473-9602.

Pavers provide memorials

BY PAUL R. PACE
STAFF WRITER

Linda Laird of Farmington Hills found a special way to have her family remember her late father, Ellis Brownstein.

She purchased a paver brick that carries his name as "beloved father, husband and grandfather". It lies along a pathway at Farmington Hills Memorial Park located on the corner of 11 Mile and Middlebelt.

"It's a nice remembrance of him," said Laird.

She said her children pass by the city's Memorial Park often since they walk by it from school. "I haven't seen it yet, but the kids have and they like

'It's a nice remembrance of him.'

Linda Laird

stopping by and seeing it," she said.

The city's Department of Public Services is encouraging people to make a lasting memory of a loved one in honor of Grandparents Day, Sunday, Sept. 8. For a donation of \$100, individuals or groups may purchase a brick to be inscribed with the name or message of their choice. The bricks are placed in specially paved areas along the park

pathway. The individual being memorialized or the person purchasing the brick must be a current or former Farmington Hills resident.

Other items available for purchase as memorials include a variety of trees, teak benches and handmade designer birdhouses. The money collected helps pay for the park's upkeep, said Jill Pines, special projects coordinator for the Department of Public Works.

For information on purchasing an inscribed brick to memorialize a special grandparent, call the department of public works at (248) 553-8580 or visit the city's Web site at www.ci.farmington-hills.mi.us space#02ehomeconn.net | (248) 471-5450

Kasab plans to expand Hills Manor

BY PAUL R. PACE
STAFF WRITER

The Farmington Hills Manor in Farmington Hills is seeking to expand by nearly twice its size.

But the city's planning commission suggested its owner, Wilson Kasab, pursue a planned unit development deal to reach his goal of opening a restaurant in the banquet facility.

The existing building on

Orchard Lake Road is 19,684 square feet and the proposed expansion would add 14,399 square feet.

The planning commission denied the request because there were not enough setbacks and parking spaces proposed to open a daytime restaurant and an additional banquet room space, said Dale Countegan, director of planning and community development.

The commission suggested a study session with planners to

come up with a planned unit development agreement.

The architect for the project, Robert Allen, said Kasab will likely seek a Zoning Board of Appeals request to meet his goal.

He said Kasab is in negotiations with adjoining property owners to buy their properties in order to expand.

As of this week, no request for a ZBA hearing from Kasab had been submitted to the city, said Countegan.

CHAMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

■ Ambassadors Committee Meeting - 8-9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the Chamber office.

■ Morning Connection - 7:45-9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 12 at LOC Federal Credit Union, 22981 Farmington Road.

■ Coffee Break Roundtable - 7:45-9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 13 at the Chamber office. Space limited to 12 participants. Call to make reservation.

■ Board of Directors

Meeting - 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17 at the Chamber office.

■ Vision to Reality: Steps to Starting and Growing a Small Business - 9 a.m.-noon Wednesday, Sept. 18 at the Chamber office. Offered by the Michigan Small Business Development Center. Space limited to 20 participants.

■ Marketing Seminar: Marketing Through Customer Relations - 9 a.m.-noon Thursday, Sept. 19 at the

Chamber office.

■ Governmental Affairs Committee - 8 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. Location to be announced.

■ Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Morof Sheplaw Weinstein, P.L.C., 39300 W. 12 Mile Road, Suite 100.

■ Member Benefits Meeting - 7:45-9 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25 at the Chamber office.

Hazardous waste days slated

Residents of the cities of Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi, South Lyon, Southfield, Walled Lake, Wixom and Lyon Township have two regional Household Hazardous Waste drop off days remaining in 2002:

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 at Novi City Hall, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road. Use High

School parking lot entrance on 10 Mile Road.

■ 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County, located at 20000 W. Eight Mile in Southfield.

Residents may take used computer equipment, oil-based

paint (no latex paint), household and automotive batteries, pesticides, herbicides, cleaners, fluorescent light bulbs and other common household chemicals from their homes.

For more information including tips on drying out latex paint, call RRRASOC at (248) 208-2270.

Bob Sellers to offer DNA test kit

Bob Sellers Pontiac, GMC is the official sponsor of the local KilaKids foundation project: Safekids National Tour, which offers free child DNA testing.

Your child can get a free DNA test kit at the dealership at 36000 Grand River in Farmington Hills from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Sept. 13 and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 14. The project uses a special, non-invasive technique for DNA collection. The FBI prefers DNA samples over traditional ink fingerprints, say officials with the project.

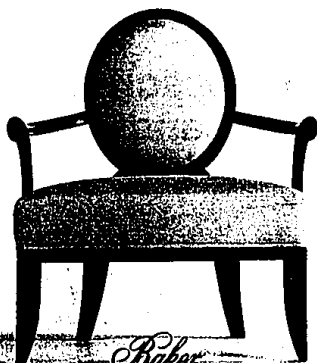
Each parent will receive his or her own child's DNA protection packet free of charge.

It's all being done to promote child safety awareness in an effort to protect children against violence. The dealership is working with the Safekids National Tour. The only DNA record is kept by the parent and no data is collected. Log onto www.safekidseven.com for more information. Call the dealership at (248) 478-8000.

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