

from our readers

Parent angered  
over coverage

Editor:  
Words cannot convey the anger and dismay your recent editions (6-11 & 6-13) elicited.  
How can you, the self-proclaimed moralist of our community, rationalize the fact that you devoted over 30 column inches to the Farmington High Seniors' brouhaha, yet you failed to mention the marvelous accomplishments of our community's high school seniors, accomplishments which were recognized at recent Honors Convocations.  
Your hypocrisy knows no bounds. You have the unmitigated gall to chastise individuals and groups for holding political and philosophical positions that disagree with yours, you demean the fact that your students don't appreciate your lectures on journalistic ethics; yet you, yourself, are guilty of the worst possible media sensationalism.  
When 'kids go wrong' you and your staff are there to cover fully those sen-

sational elements — witness your extensive coverage of last year's North Farmington graduating class or this recent Farmington High caper.  
But you can't even mention when 'kids go right.'  
Last Thursday evening at North Farmington (and I presume Farmington and Harrison High as well) bright, attractive, talented and fresh-faced seniors were honored for their accomplishments. They were honored by numerous organizations and universities around the country with scholarships and certificates of recognition; they were honored by their teachers; they were honored by their peers; and, they saw fit to honor their teachers.  
They were dishonored by you and your paper which obviously decided that academic, artistic, mechanical and athletic excellence is unworthy and uninteresting and does not warrant one column inch.  
Is there any hope that you will forego media sensationalism and report the news of our community, even when that news fails to inflame? So far your track record isn't too promising.  
Dan Greenberg  
Farmington Hills

Police clarify  
statement

Editor:  
On June 8, 1981, your newspaper published an article on a hit-and-run fatal accident that occurred in our city on June 3. Most of the article was factual and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your newspaper's assistance.  
However, your article was not factual in reference to the paragraph which states "police said the driver of the car, an aqua chevrolet nova, which was traveling westbound on Eight Mile, may be unaware that he hit Rotter, a short, slightly built man." This department has every reason to believe that the driver of the hit and run vehicle did know he had hit someone. We do not believe that any driver could hit an adult male and not know that they had been involved in an accident.  
This statement in your paper could only hurt any future prosecution in this case, and for the record, this department takes exception to that statement.  
L.A. Miller  
Traffic Division  
Farmington Hills Police  
citizens committee, which I would gladly be part of, to investigate thoroughly in what directions the vast amount of profits from the state lottery are apportioned.  
The monies being deposited in the general fund does not mean a thing to the person on the street who wonders how many politicians' pockets the general fund belongs to.  
Dr. Conrad Pearl  
Southfield

Lottery funds  
going where?

To the editor:  
In light of the recent local elections where millage and/or bond issues were defeated, this results in much of the revenues needed for the schools and education not being available.  
My suggestion would be to form a

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