



Help for needy

Farmington Hills auxiliary police officers raised nearly \$3,000 to assist local residents during the holiday season, with Sexton Foods of Taylor matching food purchased by the unit. Here, auxiliary Officer Floyd Bastien accepts a donation from Sexton Food repre-

sentative Chico Rodriguez. Charitable organizations assisted by the program included: the Salvation Army, the K mart Angel Tree, the Goodfellows and other needy families referred to the group.

Mystery 'gas cloud' only an odor

By Amy Rosa
staff writer

A mysterious natural "gas cloud" that swept across parts of middle Oakland County Friday afternoon turned out to be merely an odorant that had not been added to the odorless gas.

The odor, believed to have originated in the Walled Lake-West Bloomfield area, prompted the evacuation of five schools in the Walled Lake district, and one in the West Bloomfield district.

However, by rush-hour Friday, gas company officials still had not found the source of the leak.

The smell, which permeated the air in at least a 12-mile wide band, quickly drifted eastward and caused hundreds of residents to call their local police and fire departments.

"It's still a puzzle, but it's odorant, not gas," said Consumers Power gas company, spokesman Garth

Behrendt, who said crews were still out Friday afternoon trying to find the leak's source.

BEHRENDT SAID the gas company is confident the odor was not actual gas because workers checking out hundreds of odor complaints — particularly at the schools — found no gas leaks whatsoever.

The odorant, added to natural gas because it's naturally colorless, odorless and tasteless, helps in detection of actual leaks. The odorant itself is harmless to inhale, said Behrendt. Had the odor actually been natural gas, he added, there would not have been a threat to people because of the large area into which it was leaked.

The odorant is stored separately from gas and routinely transported in trucks. Behrendt added, saying an open valve or damage to any of the storage locations or trucks could be possible sources of the leak. But

"nothing has turned up yet," he said. Consumers Power fielded hundreds of calls beginning at 3 p.m. in the Walled Lake area. By 3:30 p.m. the odor was detected in the Troy area, and one half hour later it was found in Rochester.

"The fact that it's moving also tells us it's not a leak," said Behrendt. By 4:30 p.m., he added,

Oakland County calls had subsided and the company began getting calls from Macomb County.

West Bloomfield Police received some calls on the smell, but did not believe there was cause for concern, said Sgt. Mike Madigan, who earlier guessed the problem was likely caused by odorant only.

obituaries

MILDRED E. BIELECKI

Mrs. Bielecki, 76, of East Tawas, Mich., formerly of Farmington, died Dec. 21 in Inosco Medical Care Facility, Tawas City.

Born in Antigo, Wis., Mrs. Bielecki was a secretary for the Antigo Wisconsin School system and also for the Farmington School System. She retired as a court clerk for the City of Farmington.

Mrs. Bielecki was a member of the Inosco Historical Society in Inosco County, St. Joseph Catholic Church and the Altar Society in E. Tawas. She was also the Tawas St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary for many years. Survivors include her daughters, Joan Moran and Jean Klinger; five grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 24 at the Jacques & Robs East Chapel, E. Tawas with the Rev. Lawrence Doks

officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery, E. Tawas.

HELEN M. CARBARY

Mrs. Carbary, 63, of Grand Rapids died December 22 at home.

Born in Highland Park, Mrs. Carbary was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Wesley, sons, Kevin and Timothy of Farmington Hills, daughter, Kerry McMillon, brothers, James and Daniel Doyle, one grandchild.

Mass was celebrated Dec. 24 at Duns Scotus Monastery, Southfield, with the Rev. Juvenal Pfaltzer officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Arrangements were made by the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington.

RACHEL ANN HOSKINS

Mrs. Hoskins, 79, of Farmington died December 27 in U of M Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Born in Pineville, Kentucky, Mrs. Hoskins was a homemaker. She was a member of Primitive Baptist Church and Farmington Senior Citizens.

Survivors include her sons, Arnold, Raymond and Isaac; daughters, Ruth Bradley and Rhoda Ison, 22 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 31 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

er-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Jim Whittington officiating. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery, Livonia.

MARIE F. WINSAUER

Mrs. Winsauer, 90, of Southfield, formerly of Farmington, died Dec. 31 in Bedford Villa Nursing Home, Southfield.

Born in Huntington, West Va., Mrs. Winsauer was a retired dietician for the Farmington Public Schools.

Survivors include her son, Jim Faller, sisters, Lillian and Mildred, two grandchildren.

Services were private at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

RONALD P. REID

Mr. Reid, 44, of Westland died January 2 at home.

Born in Muskegon, Mich., Mr. Reid was a bookkeeper, accountant for an industrial painting contractor.

Survivors include his mother, Helen Somes, brother, Dennis of Farmington Hills.

Services were Jan. 4 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Interment of cremains at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkeley. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society or the American Heart Association.



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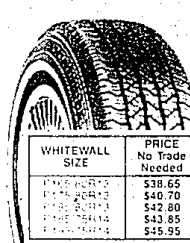
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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

JANUARY 24, 1991

7:30 P.M.

FARMINGTON HILLS CITY HALL
31555 ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN 48336

The City Farmington Hills Planning Commission will be holding a Public Hearing on January 24, 1991, at 7:30 p.m. to review and adopt the proposed Parks and Recreation Master Plan. This plan will establish Parks & Recreation goals and needs for the next five years. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 31555 Eleven Mile Road.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and participate in the hearing.

DALE A. COUNTEGAN, Director
Planning & Community Development

Subject: Parks and Recreation

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
31555 Eleven Mile Rd.
Farmington Hills, MI 48336

PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: JANUARY 17, 1991

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall

31555 Eleven Mile Rd.

Farmington Hills, MI 48336

ITEM: Revised Plat 1, 1990

The following item has been requested to be on the Planning Commission meeting of Thursday, January 17, 1991, at 7:30 P.M. for tentative approval of Preliminary Plat, Section 27.38 of the Code of the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan.

PRELIMINARY PLAT

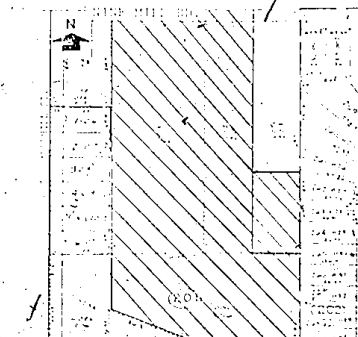
NAME: ARBOR OAKS SUBDIVISION

NO. OF LOTS: 31

LOCATION: South side of Nine Mile Road between Middlebelt and Inland Roads

#23-36-201-001,004,
Part of #23-36-201-005 & 006

SHADED IN AREA DENOTES PROPERTY INVOLVED



ACREAGE: 8.11 Acres
ZONED: R-4, Single-Family Residential District
DEVELOPER: Phoenix Land Development Co.

Item: Revised Plat 1, 1990

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