



Passages: Lanigan School instructional assistant Tatiana Chyorny and pupils (from left) Avery Petersen, Jonathon Murfey, Christina Hanick and Lauren Nash collaborate in the "treasure hunt" activity, in the search for a new book.



### Lanigan kids hit the books

Lanigan Elementary School's Reading Lock-in on Friday, March 13 was a unique opportunity to hear stories, read stories and even be entertained by the book-loving Borenstein Bears. Capping off the event, participants enjoyed breakfast at the Farmington district school.

Book bunch munch: Lanigan students (from left) Danielle Klavons, Elizabeth Slatin, Nick Kales and India Milne grab breakfast.

### Friendly cat needs a home

Farmington Public Safety officers found this 1-year-old male cat on March 12. He is light gray, with tiger stripes. He also has been neutered and is described as very friendly.

The cat can be adopted from A.G. Black Veterinary Hospital, 30470 Grand River, between Orchard Lake and Middlebelt roads. For more information, please call the vet office at (248) 478-5400.

Editor's note: The Farmington Observer will run photos and descriptions of stray animals brought in to the veterinary hospital whenever possible.



The following are police and fire incidents that occurred in Farmington and Farmington Hills during the past week.

**THEFT**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A .32-caliber Smith and Wesson handgun was stolen from a vehicle at Bob Saks on Grand River March 14.  
 A \$150 cellular phone was stolen from a vehicle parked near Old Navy on Orchard Lake and 14 Mile March 13.  
 Two boat motors were stolen from Lawn Works Plus on Hathaway between March 12-16.

**In Farmington:**  
 Between Sunday and Thursday, someone stole a Redline 340 BMX boy's bicycle out of an open garage in the 21000 block of Birchwood. The 20-inch bike was valued at about \$300. It was taken sometime between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.  
**AUTO THEFT**  
**In Farmington:**  
 A gray, 1990 GMC Suburban, valued at \$12,000, was reported stolen from a driveway in the 22000 block of Maple between 2:30 p.m. Wednesday and 12:20 a.m. Thursday.  
 The vehicle, taken while the owner was at work, contained a Motorola flip cellular telephone, worth approximately \$300.

**BREAK-INS**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A check book was stolen after a door window was shattered on a 1994 Chevy parked at Farmington Hills Ice Arena on Eight Mile March 19.

**In Farmington:**  
 Services Unlimited, 31505 Grand River, was the target of a break-in sometime between 6:10-9:30 p.m. Tuesday. Thieves got in through a broken basement window. Officers responded to

an alarm and found a computer, printer and monitor near an open front door. About \$1,000 in damage was caused to that equipment.  
 Missing were two other computers, two other monitors, a keyboard and four floor scrubbers. The computers were a Compaq valued at \$2,500 and a Gateway, valued at \$4,150. The missing monitors were a Gateway, valued at \$1,250 and an IBM, worth nearly \$900. The keyboard was valued at \$50.  
 The four Noble floor scrubbers were valued at about \$16,500.

**DOMESTIC ASSAULT**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a Hills man, 31, after his wife was found lying on the floor covered in blood at Muirwood Apartments at 2:25 a.m. March 18. The woman complained of difficulty breathing and was taken to Botsford Hospital, where she was listed in stable condition with cuts and bruises on her face and a possible broken nose.

The arrested man had blood on his pajamas and hands. The man told police he and his wife got into an argument where he only struck her once. The couple's 6-year-old daughter was turned over to her grandmother.

A Highland Park woman, 21, was taken to Botsford Hospital where she was injured for a bruised eye after being punched in the face by a man she knew March 18. The assault took place at Kinko's Printing on Interchange where the victim works.

The man entered with a box of flowers and told her he had her in the parking lot. When she told him she wanted nothing to do with him, he threatened to stab her to death before he punched her in the face six times. The man fled when other employees came into the room where the two were talking.  
 Another employee said the man waited two hours for the victim to arrive, saying he was

in the "doghouse" with her. The victim had a personal protection order filed against the man, but it hadn't been served.

**INDECENT EXPOSURE**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a Detroit man, 22, after two women said a man fondled himself in front of them in the parking lot outside the Old Navy on Orchard Lake and 14 Mile at 10:30 a.m. March 17. Police stopped the 1987 Ford Escort on 11 Mile and Orchard Lake driven by a man matching the description. He was also ticketed after police found two marijuana roaches in the vehicle's ashtray.

**SHOPLIFTING**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested two Hills girls, ages 14-15, after they left without paying for \$133 of women's clothes at Kohl's on Grand River and Tuck March 17.

**DRUNKEN DRIVING**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a Northville man, 37, for drunken driving on northbound Orchard Lake and 12 Mile at 3:04 p.m. March 18. Police stopped the 1983 Olds Cutlass for not having brake lights. The driver had a blood alcohol level of 20 percent. It's illegal to drive with a level of .10 percent.

Police arrested a Hills man, 56, for drunken driving on 13 Mile and Lori Kay at 10:50 a.m. March 18. Police stopped the 1996 Honda Accord after an off-duty Franklin police officer phoned that he was following a possible drunken driver. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .20 percent at the scene.

Police arrested a Farmington Hills woman, 37, for drunken driving on 14 Mile and Haggerty at 5:50 p.m. March 18. Police stopped the 1995 Pontiac Firebird after it was driving erratically. An 11-year-old girl, described as the woman's daughter, was a passenger in the vehicle. The daughter helped with

translation since the driver spoke little English, police reports said. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .27 percent.  
 Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 22, for drunken driving on Halsted and Grand River March 19. Police stopped the vehicle for traveling 75 miles an hour in a 40-mile zone. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .19 percent.

**BURGLARY**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A 6-gallon water bottle containing \$2,000 of U.S. coins was missing after a door was forced open at a Summit Place Apartments residence March 18.

**ASSAULT**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A Wixom man, 24, told police he was punched in the mouth by one man who fled and then thrown to the wall by a doorman in the parking lot at Champion Bar on Haggerty around 1:30 a.m. March 18. The victim reported the assault after he received 27 stitches in his mouth.

**COURTROOM SPAT**  
**In Farmington:**  
 According to police reports, a 19-year-old Inkster woman was shoved and verbally assaulted by a 19-year-old Farmington Hills woman about 2:30 p.m. Monday at the 47th District Courthouse on 10 Mile. The victim sat down in the courtroom next to the person she was going to testify against when the latter shoved and swore at her.

**NEEDLES FOUND**  
**In Farmington:**  
 A Farmington Hills man told police Wednesday afternoon that he saw two hypodermic needles lying on the ground near a pay telephone at the Mobil gas station, 33330 Eight Mile Road. The needles were picked up by an officer and safely stored in a hazardous materials box until they could be removed by CEMS. It had not been determined what substance the needles contained.

### NOTABLE

Thomas Cieslik of Farmington, was recently inducted as an Honorary Alumnus of the Orchard Lake



Schools in recognition of the meritorious service he has performed for SS. Cyril and Methodius Seminary, St. Mary's College and St. Mary's Preparatory, the three institutions that comprise the schools' complex in northwest suburban Detroit.

He accepted the honor from Monsignor Stanley Milewaki (left), chancellor of the schools, and Rev. Walter Plak, pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, Wyandotte, and president of the Michigan District of the Schools' alumni association.

### Alternate appointed to Hills zoning board

Farmington Hills City Council approved the appointment of Bruce Davis as an alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Davis' term runs through Feb. 1 2001.

### MILITARY NEWS

**ENTERING THE ARMY**  
 Toni Reese has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station in Waterford. This program will allow Ms. Reese the option to receive up to \$40,000 toward college. She is the daughter of Jack Reese of White Lake and Diana Parks of Farmington Hills.

**UP THE RANKS**  
 Donald Myers has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior master sergeant. His wife, Shari, is the daughter of Carol Tapani of Farmington.


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4/02	Stretling Heights-2nd floor Ophthalmology waiting area	Dr. Hamburger
4/06	Lakeside-Conf. Rm. A-2	Dr. Rolain
4/07	Grosse Pointe Ophthalmology-Lobby	Dr. Klein
4/14	Fairlane-(Lower level)-Conf. Rm. 1 & 2	Dr. Levine (6:30 p.m.)
4/15	Troy-2nd floor-Ophthalmology waiting area	Dr. Rolain

  
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