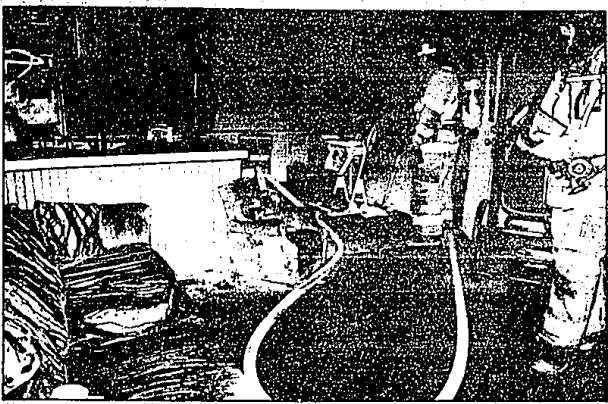




Aftermath: Farmington Hills firefighters work on a trailer that caught fire. When they arrived they found the fire in the living room. A neighbor roused the occupants, likely saving their lives.

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and hearing it," said Bradley, who is a dietitian at The American House senior retirement home on Middlebelt Road. "I couldn't figure out what this noise was."

"I thought someone was hitting on the trailer with a stick or something."

At 10:29, Farmington Hills firefighters arrived to find a blaze in the living room of a unit. A man was taken to Botsford Hospital to be treated for smoke inhalation.

A battery had been removed from the trailer's smoke detector, making it useless.

"Frankly their lives were saved, not by the smoke detector that was disabled, but by their neighbor who happened to hear something," said Farmington Hills fire Lt. Mike Garr. "They were extremely lucky."

Bradley's first fear was that a toddler was trapped inside. However, the 18-month-old was spending the weekend at relatives.

Bradley's persistence banging at the trailer door and yelling drew attention of nearby neighbors. The occupants, who had fallen asleep more than an hour before the fire started, managed to get out before firefighters arrived.

Smoke was so heavy, "I couldn't even breathe," Bradley said.

Ironically, Bradley had planned to go to bed early in order to get her daughter, who is a Girl Scout, ready for the annual Farmington Memorial Day parade. She and her family had been to a gathering earlier and were tired.

"I'm the type of person if I see anything, I go for it," Bradley said. "When I saw the fire, I just thought 'Get them out of there.'"

FARMINGTON HILLS AGENDA

City of Farmington Hills
City Council Study Session
Meeting
City Council Chambers
Monday, June 7
6 p.m.

Road:
6 p.m. - Bestak Land Development
6:30 p.m. - Windmill Ridge Development Company, L.L.C.
7 p.m. - Lake Forest Partners II, Inc.
7:30 p.m. - The Silverman Companies
8 p.m. - The PM Group

8:30 - The CED Construction Companies
9 p.m. - Creative Land Design, Inc. and Trident Properties
9:30 p.m. - Sherr Development Corporation

■ Review of Eleven Pines Development Proposals (property at Halsted and Eleven Mile

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eligible for a 20 percent investment tax for rehabilitating income-producing historic structures, which the Botsford Inn has been.

The inn's previous owner John Anhut petitioned for the city for tax reductions in the past.

"Sometimes he was successful, sometimes he was not," said Ted Hindman, city assessor.

The law is clear on tax exempt status for medical facilities, Bots said. For instance, Botsford Hospital could use the facility as office space for staff and wouldn't have to pay taxes.

However, the property would lose part or all tax-exempt status if the hospital leased space to

private businesses or people not associated with its operations.

Botsford Hospital pays taxes on a commercial pharmacy and rental property for physicians who are not employees, a spokeswoman said.

"We will apply for (tax exemption) for the property taxes," said Peg Reihmer, Botsford Hospital Planning and Marketing vice president.

"No specific plans have been made, but our intention is to use the property to support the activities of the hospital and those activities consistent with our tax exempt purposes."

The Botsford Inn will not continue as a dining facility after

July 30.

Only part of the building, built in 1836, is deemed historical. Additions were added on in the 1960s and 1970s.

As part of the study, hospital officials will determine whether renovating those additions or rebuilding them into "an aesthetically compatible" with the historic portion.

"While we're aware there are not really prohibitions of what we might do with the building, we will be respectful," Reihmer said. "At this point our thinking is to certainly preserve a core of the building that is historical."

FARMINGTON AGENDA

Farmington City Council
8 p.m. Monday, June 7
23800 Liberty Street
(248) 474-5500

Agenda items include the following:

■ Introduction, Victor Shah, visiting journalist from Bombay, India
■ Public hearing, proposed 1999-2000 budget

■ Downtown Development Authority quarterly report
■ Consideration of reappointment to Traffic and Safety Board
■ Expiration of term, Zoning Board of Appeals membership
■ Adoption of proposed 1999-2000 budget
■ Consideration of request for Specially Designated Merchant liquor license at 22575 Farmington Road

■ Consideration of establishing a 47th District Court building fund
■ Public Safety Department quarterly operations report
■ Consideration to set study session regarding administrative report for city charter amendments
■ Consideration to enter into executive session to consider the purchase of real property

Harrison students create art

Sears Hardware along with Harrison High School is currently showing "Hard Art 99" at Sears Hardware, 27620 Middlebelt Road in Farmington Hills.

The students of Harrison were asked to produce sculptures utilizing items such as hammers, garbage can lids, hoses, lights, wheelbarrows and more.

The project has been under production for several months and the time has finally arrived for sculpture judging and to display these creative original masterpieces.

The idea was formulated by Ron Austin of Sears and Bill Harmon of the Harrison Art Department.

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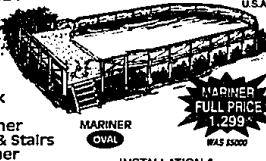
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