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Agonda: The Farmington Hills City Council will meet in a study session at 6 p.m. in city hall, 31555 11 Mile

Plan: The Farmington Planning Commission will meet at 8 p.m. in city hall, 23600 Liberty.

WEDNESDAY

Concert: Duo pianists Joanne Borahs Kramer and Aliki Zacharywill perform as part of a free concert series at 8 p.m. at Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills. All concerts are free.

THURSDAY

Stars: The Farmington Community Chorus will perform at 8 p.m. as part of the Stars in the Park concert series in Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. The concert is free.

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Wayward arrow startles Hills teen

BY LARRY O'CONNOL STAFY WRITER Locanor No. homecomm.net

Inconnorfection Hills police don't bolieve it was Cupid's arrow, but they'd leve to talk to the person who slung it. Bhortly before 1 p.m. Aug. 1, a 17-ycar-old was startied when a wayward arrow landed 10-15 foet away from her while she visited her while she visited her and. Bho was not hurt. the woods.'

Anta, She was not hurt. The motal field tip arrow, which was 34 inches long, clanged off a matal pole. Police don't bollowe the projectile was shat maliciously but consider the matter serious Becky DePotter –Resident

"I way sitting in the driveway and all of suddon I aaw this arrow come flying out of

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Beautification advocates propose name change for area tributaries

BY LARRY O'CONNOR STAFF WEITER

UNPLUGGING THE DRAIN

Iconnordenhomecomm.net For here's good reason Robert Red-ford didn't name his film, "A Drain Runs Through It." The term doesn't oxacily conjure up shimmoring meadows, meander-ing rivers or babbling proofs. Draina are, well, drains. They evoke imagery of slurping sounds and the need to be plugged. Whon describing the tributaries that cut a swith through Farmington Hills and Farmington, their names typically end with a resounding thud. Bmith, Caddell, Minnew Fond and, of course, Sceley are punctuated by

of course, Sceley are punctuated by drains, which many beautification aficianados contend clogs all things

pristine. "When you look out back, you're expecting to see a three-eyed fish

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talked about during a sub-watershed meeting Aug. 26. Renaming drains to more ear palatable creeks or streams is not

palatable creeks or streams is not new. Name-change crusaders are quick to point out such moniker manipula-tion is only brain-storming at this point. To change a name of a county drain requires a lengthy legal pro-ceas, which includes public hearings. The drains themselves are going to stay the same," said Charles MGK-tinnonn, Oaldand County Drain Com-mission angineer. "These have been established drains, some of them dat-ing back to the 1880m." Perception aside, there are practi-cal reasons to re-mano waterways, a Hills city official said. Farmington Hills, like other com-

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Volunteers fire up additional duties "Of the utmost importance is their safety, not the ticket, soid Farmington Hills police L. Dennis Green. "If the vehicle is occupied, volunteers will toil divers to movo. Ticketa will be issued to unoccupied vehicles. When issuing tickets, volunteers are instructed to take a Polaroid photo of the vehicle to they've ticketed. The samp shot will include the license plate and no parking. The lane solutions altogether and stick to monitoring handicap park-ing inforces filten and the police. "The first marshal, not the police establishes efficial first concess for the vehicle to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether instructed to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solution and the license plate and no parking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a Polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solutions altogether the vehicle to take a polaroid photo aparking. The lane solution altogether the solution altogether altogether the solution altogether the s

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By LARRY O'CONNOR BTATT WRITER Jocannor Gos.homocomm.net	In April, the city code was amended to allow handicap parking enforcement voluntcers to also write tickets for fire lane affenses. Since then, motorists parked illegally in front of business invor received warnings. Police officials developed operating precedures for the volunteer crew. For instance, if confronted with an angry driver, volunteer are told to get a license plate number and leave immediately.
The fine for fire lane violations remains the same, but these dollarg out the tickets has changed. Starting Aug. 16, Farmington Hills police landleap parking enforcement volunteers – mostly seniors – will write up motorists who park illegally in fire lanes. Fines are \$40.	
School renovations For two Farmington Hills catholic schools	Schools ble

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

It's been a summer of changes for two area Catholic schools and church-

, Both St. Fabian and Our Lady of Both St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows are undergoing renovation and construction projects. Londers at both churches credit the generosity of parishioners for the projects success. St. Fabian Church and school's ongo-ing \$7.5 million renovation and con-struction project is a culmination of massive parish support. "I've been here 24 years and there's alvays been a need for expanding," said Sister M. Lorotelle, O.S.F., and principal of St. Fabian. St. Fabian opened in 1965 with

s blessed with renovations Malow of Southfield, and the architect Giffels, Hoyen and Basso of Troy. The construction price tag is \$7.5 million. The first project phase is expected to be completed by October. Other work done included putting in new water lines and sanitary and thermore lines.

grades 1 to 3 and there's been a "con-stant pice from parents to add seventh-and eighth grades." That pice was answered. St. Fabian will add seventh-grade classes begin-ning this year and eighth-grade classes beginning in the 2000 school year. "After having an open forum we decided that expanding was top priori-ty with parents," she said. Additions include a cafeteria, gymna-sium, art/scioneo room, computer/media conter, youth center and administrative offices. "It is a big project," she said. The first block was lidd in January. The school will tontatively open Sept.



Dick Brady, vice president for sales and marketing for HomeTown Communications Notwork has been appointed interim general managor of the 16 Observer & Eccentric newsmanager of the to Observer & Eccentric news-papers, while continuing to perform his corpo-rate duties, according to Richard Aginian, president and chief executive officer of HCN, parent company of the Observer & Eccentric Nowspapers.

Susan Rosiek will continue to serve as pub-lisher of the Observer newspaper group, including the Farmington Observer. Aginian also announced that by mutual

nities. "Running the Observer & Eccontric Newspa-pors is one of the best Jobs in the industry," Aginian said, "and we will begin an immediate search for a new genoral manager. In the meantime, I ant confident the papers will con-tinue to move forward with the present man-agement team under the leadership of Dick Brady, who has abig filled the O&E general manager's role in the pust."

"Our newspapers serve local renders and businesses in their own hometowns with indi-vidually edited publications. Dick Brady's commitment to that fundamental principle will serve us well during this transition." "I look forward to working with all my O&E colleagues and friends to produce and deliver the best community newspapers for our read-ors and advortisors, and I velcome hearing from our customers," Brady said.

Brady, who has ably filled the O&E general manager's role in the past." HCN Chairman Philip H. Power stated, well as by e-mail at dbrady@homeccamm.net.



agreement Stove Pope has left his position as O&E General Manager to seek other opportunitles.



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