

I-275 ramp to I-696 closes

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Starting Sunday, the exit ramp from northbound I-275 to eastbound I-696 will be closed for reconstruction and traffic detoured onto eastbound M-5.

It will resemble a detour similar to the westbound I-696/southbound I-275 traffic onto the Haggerty Connector earlier this year.

From northbound I-275, motorists looking to exit to eastbound I-696 will be directed onto the eastbound M-5/Grand River exit and follow two lanes onto that portion of M-5 now known as the Keith Deacon Memorial Highway in Farmington Hills.

Motorists will drive about 2.5 miles east. That will take them past the Grand River exit, then they will turn westbound M-5 another 2.5 miles to the eastbound I-696 exit.

The detour totals about five miles, according to Robin Pannecouk, MDT spokesperson. It will

resemble a detour similar to the westbound I-696/southbound I-275 traffic onto the Haggerty Connector earlier this year.

"They will detour onto M-5, past Grand River and 10 Mile and continue on M-5, then make a U-turn and come back up," Pannecouk said. Pannecouk said many signs will direct motorists. While on northbound I-275, motorists should move to the right lane.

The northbound I-275 ramp to westbound I-696 is tentatively scheduled to re-open in late September.

Construction crews also continued work this weekend on the Eight Mile Road entrance and exit ramps. Motorists are advised to use Seven Mile or Six Mile interchanges as alternate routes. Once Eight Mile ramps are completed, crews will move to Seven Mile for construction there.

The entire I-275 construction project is expected to be completed in November.

BEGINNING SUNDAY

Metro opens 450-space parking lot

A new 450-space parking lot was opened last week at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport.

In keeping with the airport's color-coded theme, the lot is called the Red Lot. It is located on the East Service Drive across the street from the Northwest cargo building with the 747 airplane painted on the side. The current Red-overflow lot at Lucas Drive and the East Ser-

vice Drive will continue to serve as a backup parking lot when all other lots and the deck are full.

"This summer, we've added bright blue roadway signs, a 30-foot electronic parking information sign as the airport's entrance and now, 450 more parking spaces," said Wayne County Executive Edward McNamara. "We now have more than 12,500 parking spaces at Metro — 800 more spaces than

last year."

The new Red Lot is the third economy lot at Metro Airport with a flat rate of \$6 per day or \$36 per week. If you park for six days, the seventh day is free. The new lot will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week with free shuttle service to all terminal buildings.

To receive a parking brochure, call (734) 942-3558.

CAMPUS PIPELINE

MADONNA GRADS

The following Farmington/Farmington Hills residents were among more than 700 Madonna University graduates: Nicholas Nagrant, Susan Beaufait, Peter Aho, Christopher Bouschet, Bridget Koslowski, Debra Schneider and Kelly Ottewill.

ALBION GRADS

Farmington Hills residents Amishi Doahi, Kristian Petrovich, Suzanne Porter, Carolyn Temporelli and Anjali Thakur graduated in May from Albion College. Thakur also received the Lux Fiat award given to four outstanding seniors who have served as role models to their peers. Temporelli received the Outstanding Senior Art Major Award.

KETTERING SCHOLAR

Elizabeth Lawrence, a Harrison High School graduate and the daughter of William

and Anna Lawrence of Farmington Hills, received a \$20,000 scholarship to Kettering University of Flint.

COLLEGIATE SCHOLAR

Kelly Moug of Farmington Hills has accepted membership in The National Society of Collegiate Scholars and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at the University of Michigan.

PHI KAPPA PHI

Pamela Bunn of Farmington Hills was recently initiated into Auburn University's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi national honor society. Bunn, the daughter of David and Mary Bunn, is majoring in international business. She is a member of Golden Key national honor society and Auburn University French Society.

Take your pick of golf outings

Golf enthusiasts can enjoy a variety of charitable outings throughout the months of August and September:

■ Mercy High School will hold its ninth annual Meg Mallon Golf Outing Monday, Aug. 30 at the Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon. This event is open to the public. For reservations and sponsorship information, call the Development Office at Mercy High School at 476-8922.

■ Boys & Girls Republic in Farmington Hills will hold its Fifth Annual Golf Outing on Monday, Sept. 13 at Tanglewood the Lion Golf Club in South Lyon. The cost is \$150 per person and includes lunch at turn and dinner. Call 476-9550.

■ Catholic Social Services of Oakland County will sponsor its fourth annual golf outing to benefit the families and children served by the agency. The event is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 27, at Independence Green Golf

Course in Farmington Hills. Golfers will begin with a noon lunch, followed by a 1:30 p.m. shot gun start. Cost is \$75 per person or \$400 for a team of six, when payment is received before Aug. 20. Call 548-4044.

■ The National Association of Women Business Owners will hold its annual golf outing at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, at Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth. For registration information call (313) 961-4748.



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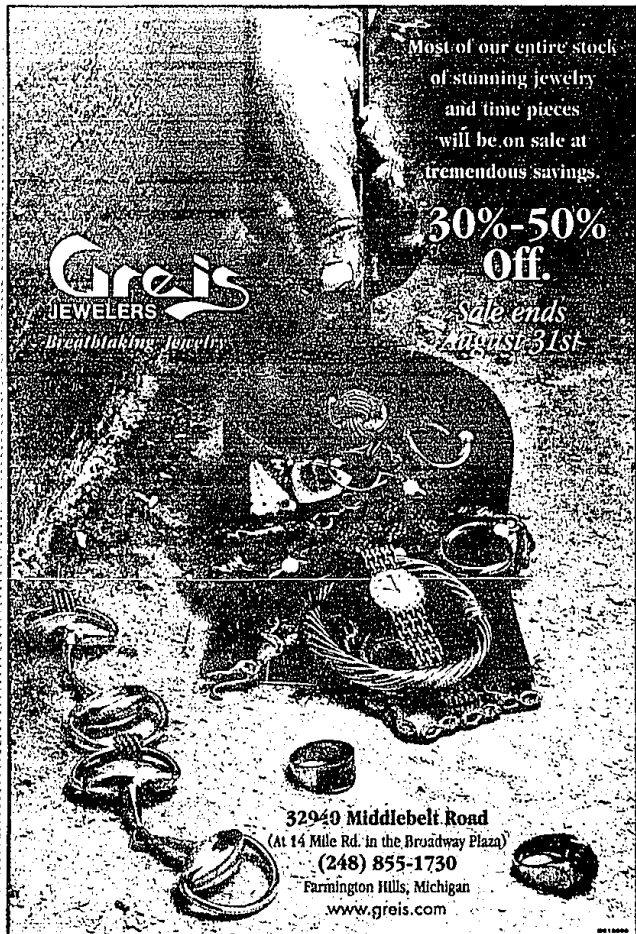
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