

THE WEEK AHEAD

Correction: The address for Hills council candidate Ken Massey's "meet the candidate" event printed in Thursday's edition was incorrect. It will be held today, 1-4 p.m., at 21174 Randall in Farmington Hills. For more information visit: www.kenmassey.com

MONDAY

Farmington City Council: Officials will meet at 8 p.m. in chambers at City Hall, 23600 Liberty Street. Their agenda will include a resolution supporting public transportation for southeast Michigan, consideration to upgrade SCUBA gear for the Department of Public Safety and the adoption of an ordinance regarding zoning compliance permits. The council will also look at permanently relocating the polling place for Precinct 2.

TUESDAY

FFIA kick-off: The annual Farmington Families in Action kickoff breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. today, at Vladimir's in Farmington Hills. Guest speaker will be Larry Bell, with Multicultural America, speaking on "Respect and Unity in the Community." For ticket information, call (248) 661-4646.

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A matter of policy



Concerned parents: Gary and Rochelle Greenberg aren't happy with the new bus stop location on Thirteen Mile Road. School district officials moved the stop inside their subdivision after a fatal accident in 1992; now they've moved it back onto the main road, to comply with District-wide policies.

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Bus stopped

Parents upset over move to 13 Mile

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Rochelle Greenberg still remembers the gruesome accident on 13 Mile Road nine years ago which took the life of a motorcyclist in his 40s. She was coming home from the grocery store that morning about 11 a.m. Aug. 25, 1992. Though she was trained in CPR, it was immediately apparent her skills were absolutely useless.

"I still remember it, it was horrible. His insides were no longer inside," said Greenberg, a Farmington Hills resident.

Her blunt, graphic description of the accident puts form to a memory that won't die in this neighborhood where parents want to persuade the school district to move the middle and secondary school bus stop back a block into the subdivision.

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City unveils winners

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Beauty is both in the eye of the beholder and the Farmington Beautification Awards Committee.

Structure of the award system for this annual event, which honors the community's best-kept properties, was revamped this year.

The Beautification Commission was dismantled earlier this year because it

wasn't broad enough and didn't have enough members," said Farmington Councilwoman Joanne McShane.

The Beautification Awards Committee is now an ad hoc committee chosen by Farmington City Council.

This year's awards include individual home beautification awards, business awards for improvements, and landscaping and community awards. They'll be presented at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 2, at the Gov.

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Winner: Silverwood Investment on Ten Mile Road won a beautification award. Winners will be honored Oct. 2 at the Governor Warner Mansion.

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District settles contracts

■ With very little fanfare, Farmington school officials approved a two-year contract extension with its union employees Tuesday.

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Students in the Farmington Public School District will have two additional days off in the future because of employee contract extensions.

Kids won't have school the Friday before Labor Day in September 2002, due to a state law or on Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday in January 2003. They join students in surrounding districts like Southfield, West Bloomfield, Troy, Bloomfield Hills and Walled Lake who already take MLK day off, according to Sue Zurvalec, assistant superintendent of business and finance.

The school board approved tentative agreements for two-year contract extensions at its Sept. 25 board meeting.

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F'ton DDA considers Web network

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In an intelligent town, every part of the community is connected, according to promotional material presented by Dennis Blank, an executive vice-president of American Town Network.

He spoke recently to Farmington Downtown Development Authority members.

The for-profit, privately held company wants to create an online network of community Web sites where residents, businesses, business customers, and community groups organizations can find any information necessary in their daily lives.

"Each site acts as an umbrella, organizing existing local Internet activity and offering a free and easy way for communities to come together on line," Blank said. "It's only about the com-

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Falcon royalty crowned

Farmington High festivities: Homecoming King Alex Duncan and Queen Casey Haapaniemi were crowned at half-time during Friday's football game. The fun continued on Saturday with a parade and homecoming dance. Below, last year's homecoming queen Jessi Halliday hugs Casey after crowning her. Game details, Section B.

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