



Malvolio (Peter Mellon) ruminates about the wonderfulness of Malvolio. He is spied upon by Sir Toby (Eric Pierce), Fabian (Andy Kravits), and Sir Andrew (Drew Martin).

Farmington High will present 'Twelfth Night' this month

Farmington High School will present Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 21, 22 and 23.

Tickets are available at the door and cost \$8 for adults, \$7 for students, \$6 if students have a gold card.

The school is at 32000 Shiawassee

in Farmington.

The play is about both love and disguises, which begin when a woman named Viola is shipwrecked and lands in America with no money and no family.

Here's the cast list:

Viola/Cesario played by Jennifer

Chiles; Duke Orsino, Terrence Ng; Olivia, Rachel Tripp; Sir Toby, Eric Pierce; Sir Andrew, Drew Martin; Maria, Laura Jaquini; Malvolio, Peter Mellon.

For more information, call the school at (248) 489-3455.

COMING

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In the first phase of the development, Phase 1B calls for membership mega-store Sam's Club, the Italian family restaurant Buca di Beppo and another 8,000-square-foot building proposed to house two or three retail stores. A water treatment retention pond with a walkway is also planned.

Sam's Club representatives proposed a members-only gas station near the building, but the council quickly shot down that idea, saying the area is not zoned for such use.

A company representative told the council it was up to higher management whether Sam's Club would back out of the deal if the gas station couldn't be part of the development.

Due to the fact the property is a Planned Unit Development in the city, the council has a say in its appearance. Council members and city staff favor a neo-classical facade with inviting walkways and greenspace.

The project is also expected to have homes in subsequent phases.

Councilwoman Vicki Barnett said shopping carts are usually littered around the parking lots at mega-stores, and she wanted to see cart corrals that were more appealing to the eye.

An impressive facade for Sam's Club didn't look much like the original draft, pointed

out Councilman Jerry Ellis. He said he wanted to see more windows in the roof area and to lower the proposed parking spaces for the store.

"I never see those lots more than one-third full," he said. "Even during the holidays."

He favored leaving greenspace that could later be removed if parking was an issue.

Sakwa pointed out that

Kmart backed out of a plan to

open up a Super Store for the

project, which caused delays in

pursuing Phase 2.

Some remaining homeowners

along Clairview Drive com-

plained about the construction

noise and dust and also won-

dered when their homes may

be bought out. Nine occupied

homes remain on land pro-

posed for future development.

While Sakwa said he has

made offers to buy some of the

homes, not all homeowners

have been approached yet.

"I can't buy the property

until I can use the property,"

he said. "I told them I would

do this in phases."

He also said he couldn't buy

a home if the owner didn't

want to sell it.

The developer insisted that

the council give him a time

schedule to get the next phase

approved.

"These people want to open

their stores in a timely fashion,"

he said. "I'm happy to work 24

hours a day to get it done."

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Schools collect for Goodfellows food drive

The Farmington Public School District is collecting food for the Goodfellows until Nov. 27.

At Flanders Elementary this week only, those who donate a can of food will receive a Hershey's Kiss with

an incentive called "Give a Can, Get a Kiss."

Flanders Elementary School is at 32600 Flanders in Farmington.

For more information, call Flanders at (248) 489-3673.

Interagency Council to meet

The next meeting of the Farmington, Farmington Hills Interagency Council will be held at the Farmington Branch Library at noon on Thursday, Dec. 5.

Jim Liska, who contracts with the Farmington Public

Schools and Marsha Droz of the South West Oakland Community College, will explain how to create newsletters, brochures, video clips, etc. to promote local organizations.

Lunch will be provided. Any questions, call Pat Isham at 248-471-5112.

TOWER

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While the tower would be farther away than the city's requirement of at least 300 feet from residential areas, its overall height and setbacks to the building also exceed ordinance limits and needed to be excused.

"We found this to be the best location," Wells said of putting up a new tower.

"We believe we brought a proposal that is aesthetically pleasing," he added.

Council's Vicki Barnett asked

if other cell phone providers could use the tower.

Wells said as long as the other providers didn't interfere with the Nextel system it could be done, but hinted the unit proposed offers little compromise to add more antennas.

Councilmen Christopher McRae and Barry Brickner said they liked the fact the operation would be hidden from view.

The council approved consideration of two ordinance exceptions.

No date was set for final approval.

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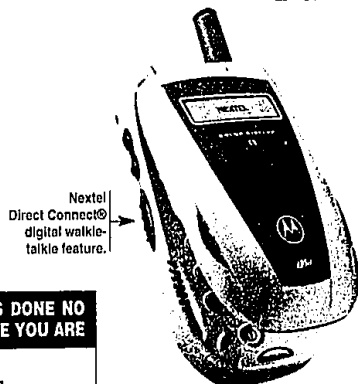
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