HazMat drop-off site GAINES moves to Costick

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The Costlek Activities Center will be the new site for the 200 HazMat Day being held from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday; May 10. Clearly marked signs will direct participants to enter at Gate 2 to drop off household hazardous materials. In addition to Farmington.

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Hills and Farmington, residents of Novi, South Lyon,
Lyon Township, Southfield,
Walled Lake, and Wixom may
participate.

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Following are guidelines for those attending HazMat Day:
Have your driver's license ready to show proof of residen-

pounds.

If a container is leaking, transfer it to a secure one.

Place containers in a box with a sturdy bottom.

Put the box on the floor or in the trunk. Do not put it in the front each.

the front seat.

Household items accepted at
HazMat Day include solvents,
oil-based paints, herbicides,
insecticides, batteries, motor

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oil, antifreeze, gasoline, fertiliz-ers, pool chemicals, small propane cylinders, and fluorea-cent light bulbs. Items that are not accepted include medical waste, radioactive materials, and explasives

waste, radioactive materials, and explosives.

Used computer equipment will again be collected in an effort to divert the lead and mercury content from the landfill. Central processing units, monitors, keyboards, modems, and printers can all be dropped off.

Several items are not accepted at HazMat Day because they can be put in the regular trash. Latex point can be dried and placed at curbaide, and amoke detectors and carbon monuvities detectors and detectors

tile detectors can go in with regular garbage.

Needles and syrings can be put in with regular garbage but they must be placed in a "sharps" or other hard plastic container (such as a detergent buttle), or a coffee can with the lid taped on and clearly marked syringes.

If you have destines about Household Hazardous Materials Drop-off Day or if you consider the state of the property of the property of the complete list of acceptable items, please call the DrW at (244) 553-8580 or visit the Gity Web site at www.c. farmington-hills.

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OBITUARY

Leo Harlow

Leo Harlow, Services for Leo Harlow, 89, of Northville, were held April 5 at Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Gordon Ainsworth officiating, Buriel followed at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livoula.

Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.
Mr. Harlow was born Jume 10, 1913 in Wyandotte and dled April 1, 2003 nt Alterra Nursing Home. He worked for Ford Motor Company and retired in 1976.
He is survived by his daugh-ters, Gall (Thomas) Ward and Kathleen Harlow; brother. John; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Memorial contributions unay be made to Augela Hospice.



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library, he said.
He didn't have money for the movies, so he chose the Y. But after being knocked out in the boxing ring, he decided to give the library a try.
Gaines and while reading, he discovered books never mirrored the people and situations in his life.

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I did not see myself in there, he said.
So he aimed to change that by writing his first novel, while looking after his baby brother. The first effort failed to impress New York editors, but after his time in the armed services, he enrolled in a San Francisco university and studied writing. He eventually won a scholarabip to Stanford University.
Gainess said looking back, his SD-year career as a novelist and a teacher of creative writing was thanks to sitting on those house steps in Louisiana, writing letters to relatives.



Author Ernest J. Gaines signed a book and shook hands with Shana Saddler. Ms. Saddler teaches Spanish and English at Harrison High School.

Gaines also took questions om the audience and signed

from the audience and signed copies of his book. He said whenever he gets writer's block, he goes back to

reading the classics, including the Bible, to get his rhythm

The author's other works include The Autobiography of

Miss Jane Pittman and A Gathering of Old Men.

ELEMENTARY

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a proclamation from Gov. Jennifer Granholm and invited students to visit in

Lansing.
The school, located on Oak Forest, is among 11 Michigan elementary schools — five in Oakland County — to receive

the state honor.
"No wonder you got a blue ribbon," said State Board of Education President Kathleen

Straus.

"You are all terrific."

Straus told students she pur posely wore lilue to symbolize the award.

She praised the staff,

She praised the staff, school board and school offi-cials.

emis.
"You have great support from your community," Straus said. "You need the community

You need the community and schools integrated to make sure the schools thrive." Schools that apply must go through an extensive applica-tion process, which for Wooddale started last April

Dr. Lasenia Jones, Principal of Wooddale Elementary, is clearly pleased with

"It was hundreds of hours," said Lasenia Jones, in an earli-er interview. She's been principal for 10 years. "It's an intensive self-reflec-tion to get all the things they expect done," Jones said. "Everybody is part of the picture, every single staff member."

The assessment process documents accomplishments all in one spot. It focused on a number of criteria, Including quality of the teaching staff which Jones said is maintained by staff development, Infusion of technology, small group instruction and parent involvement.

The state award also recognizes parent involvement and student achievement. When a school community decides they want to apply to become blue ribbon school they are taking a huge chance, said Farmington Public Schools Supt. Bob Maxtied. They are saying, We have a story to tell. Everyone came together as a team, said Jones. You have been excellent today as always, Jones told students.

The Wooddale PTA hosted a reception, and each student a

The Wooddule PTA hosted a reception, and each student received a blue ribbon to wear, and Vicki Liebowitz. Wooddule PTA president. Wooddule pins other district schools which received the award: Farmington High School, Highmeadow Common Campus, Hillside and Kenbrook Elementary Schools and North Farmington High School. Highmeadow, Hillside and Korth Farmington High base asserted the National Blue Ribbon award.

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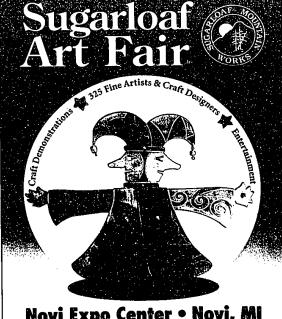
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