

Bell branch wins top beautification award

Ma Bell received top honors at a recent beautification awards banquet in the city of Farmington.

The Michigan Bell office at the corner of Grand River and Power Road received the 1990 Chamber of Commerce beautification award for the "extremely well kept" building and the company's overall summer planting and lawn maintenance.

Beautification plaques were given to nine businesses, eight apartment complexes and condominium developments, three auto service facilities, two shopping centers, one church, and one local club at the city's annual fall awards presentation, held Oct. 18 at the Chateau. Four local businesses also received plaques for renovations and improvements and the Farmington City Hall was also lauded for renovations over the past year.

The awards luncheon is sponsored by the city's Beautification Committee. A special visitor, Dale Huggler of Alpina, president of Keep Michigan Beautiful, Inc., was a surprise guest speaker at the event.

In addition to the plaques, 24 beautification certificates were handed out, as were three certificates of commendation. Five individuals or

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AWARDED PLAQUES this year were the following businesses: Colonial Car Wash, Comerica Bank Executive Office Supply, H.R. Krueger Machine Tool, LOC Federal Credit Union, Michigan Bell, Michigan Osteopathic Association, Professional Pavillion and Thayer-Rock Funeral Home. Auto care facilities included Amoco Oil, Benner's Amoco and Vallentine Instant Oil Change. The Village Mall and Village Commons shopping centers were also award winners.

Lauded for their improvement and renovation efforts were Molinder Chatha, owner of the building at the southwest corner of Grand River and Farmington Road; Heeney-Dundquist Funeral Home, National Bank of Detroit and the Plaza Pet Complex.

Apartments and condominiums receiving plaques included: Anderson Apartments, Farmington Oaks,

Farmington Place, Heritage Village West, Jamestown Apartments, Kensington Manor, River Glen and Valley View. The First Baptist Church of Farmington and the Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club also received plaques.

Good neighbors for 1990 are: Clarence Cox, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Dearborn Stake; Farmington Historical Museum; Jerry Jackaki; and JRR Enterprises. The Bon Ton Shoppe, Michelle Marc's Flowers and Warren's Country Corner were given certificates of commendation.

Certificates were given to: Burger King, Chiropractic Federal Credit Union, D & W Oil Company, Farmington A & W, architect Carl Gaiser, Grand/Farm Associates, Greene's Hamburgers National Bank of Detroit-Lakeway, attorneys Peters & Wilmering, Ram's Horn, attorney Gregory Eaton, Jayco Sales & Rivet, Farmington Department of Public Services, Salem United Church of Christ, Clark Oil & Refining Co., Mobil Mart, Bill Oil Company, Ole Toff Shell, Camelot Condominiums, Parkview Apartments, Sunview Manor Apartments, Versailles Condominiums, Wynset Condominiums, and the Crossroads Shopping Center.



SHARON LAHIEUX/staff photographer

The Michigan Bell Telephone building on the corner of Grand River and Power won a Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce award for overall beautification efforts.

Time for new batteries, campaign urges

Your clock isn't the only thing you should change before you go to bed Saturday, Oct. 27. Farmington Hills fire officials urge residents to also change the batteries in their home smoke detectors and flashlights.

Through the "Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery" program, fire officials are encouraging residents to make a habit of changing the batteries in their smoke detectors and flashlights every fall when they change their clocks back to standard time.

The change back to standard time from daylight savings is effective Sunday, Oct. 28, though most people change their clocks the night before.

"Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery" is sponsored nationally by the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the American Burn Association and Eveready Battery Co.



ALTHOUGH 80 percent of the all U.S. homes have at least one smoke detector, as many as half

of the devices are not working because the batteries are old or missing, according to fire officials.

"Our goal for the 1990s is to reawaken people to the need for working smoke alarms," Farmington Hills deputy fire Chief Peter Baldwin said. "Installing a battery may be the simplest, most accessible way to protect our homes and families from fire. Having a smoke detector is absolutely pointless if it's not maintained."

Nationally, many of the 6,000 deaths and 130,000 serious injuries caused each year by fire could have been prevented with the help of working smoke detectors, according to national fire statistics.

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