# Nichols runs for sheriff

John Nichols, Farmington Hills police chief since 1977, wants to be Oakland County's next sheriff. The veteran policeman of 43 years service has revealed his intenditon to run for sheriff in the August 1994 Republican primary.

"At this point I'm not ready to say why I'm running," Nichols said, adding he will amnonce his reasons at a news conference Thurnday in Pontiac. He will formally announce his candidacy at a 3 p.m. gathering in Lupes Restaurant, 1240 Wide Track Drive West at M-59.

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IF NOMINATED, Ni-chols may have to take on a man who twice has been his boss — threeon a man who twice has been his boss — threeterm incumbent Johannes Spreen. In the center of political and legal batties, Spreen has not announced whether he will seek a fourth term.



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He served under Spreen, who was Detroit police ommissioner during the 1980s. Later Nichols was olice commissioner in the administration of toman S. Gribbs.

In 1973 Nichols was an unsuccessful candidate or mayor of Detroit, losing to Coleman A. Young. for mayor of Detroi the present mayor.

Meanwhile, Spreen had moved to Oakland Coun-ty. After being courted by both parties, Spreen suc-cessfully ann as a Democrat for sheriff in 1972 and was re-elected in 1976 and 1980.

Nichols was Spreen's undersheriff until 1977, when he left to take the Farmington Hills post.

AT THE MOMENT, Nichols appears to have competition for the GOP nomination from James Y, Stewart, Huntington Woods police chief and the 1980 GOP candidate against Spreen.

Stewart announced months ago he wants another crack at running for sheriff.

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Nichols has been courted to run for sheriff by leaders of the Oakland County Republican establishment, Nichols was the second one (in the department) who came up

# TB found; free tests offered

To ward off a potential problem, the Oakland County Health Department is offering free tuberculous tests to any county employee or resident concerned about contracting the disease.

Oakland officials are searching for an unknown person with TB who has had regular contact with county maintenance employees.

A TB testing program turned out positive for 12 maintenance employees who are under observation. These people do not have the disease, but have been in close contact with someone who has an active case.

"WE DON'T want anyone to panic, but we are oncerned about the potential problem until we

find the active TB carrier," Oakland County Executive Daniel T. Murphy said.

"We're encouraging county employees and their families and friends who are concerned about contracting the disease to have a free test at one of the two county clinics."

Free testing is done from noon to 4:40 p.m. and 5-8 p.m. Monday and 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-5 p.m. Theeday-Friday at both the Southfield Center at 27725 Greenfold and 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. No appointments are necessary.

Testing began after a part-time employee in the county medical care facility turned up with active TB about three months ago. She has since been treated and has returned to her job.

## Oakland road bids sought

Michigan Department of Transportation will take bids on several Oakland County projects Aug. 17 in Lansing Civic Center. The projects will be among 68 totaling an esti-mated 341.9 million in improvements to Michigan roads, highways, airports and railread tracks in 37 counties.

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Bids will be sought for these projects and com-pletion dates:

In Southfield, pavement patching, joint and crack sealing and drainage structure cleaning and repair on four miles of US-10 (Lodge freeway) from the city limits northwest to Lahser, November 183.

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In Troy, installation of medium intensity run-

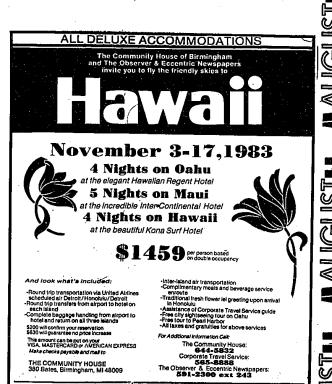
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10 in Huntington Woods and Oak Park, construction of earthberm sound barriers along the new 1-898 freeway from Church east to Morton and reconstruction and landscaping of Victoria Park; September of the Pooliac, installation of security fencing at Oakland-Pontlac Airport; Cother 1833.

Bids also will be taken for work ton the Lodge in Detroit. The project, to be completed by November 1984, will cover pavement patching and joint sealing on seven miles and resurfacing on two miles, plus repairs and drainage cleaning on the entire project from north of Wyoming southeast to south of Cobo Hall.



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