

# Hills police present departmental awards

The 10-member Farmington Hills Police Department's citation and award board announced the presentation of the following awards and citations:

- **LIFE SAVING AWARD**  
Patrick Sidje and John Rogorah for lifesaving efforts on a 2-year-old child Dec. 4, 1988.
- **CITATIONS:**  
● Daniel Luoma for arrests of two suspects in a breaking and entering of a business case Aug. 18, 1988.

- Carlton VanMeter for arrest of a suspect in a multiple residential breaking and entering case Sept. 23, 1988.
- Charles Rozum and Shelly Sokol for arrests of a suspect in an armed robbery Dec. 1, 1988.
- Brad Schwartz and Alan Patterson for arrests of three suspects in an attempted breaking and entering of a business case Jan. 17, 1989.
- Wayne Beerbower for arrest of an armed suspect in an unlawful

driving away of an automobile and a carrying a concealed weapon case Jan. 17, 1989.

- Robert Hidingorling for arrest of a suspect in a carrying a concealed weapon in a motor vehicle case Jan. 22, 1989.

A UNIT citation was awarded for the investigation and arrest of former West Bloomfield resident Steven A. Szeman, 25, of Rocky River, Ohio, in connection with the sexual assault and robbery of 10 Oakland County females ages 12-61. The unit

includes: Lt. Gordon Ross, Sgt. Charles Nebus, Sgt. Dennis Green, officers Sandy Hochford, Nancy Summers, Duane Fox, Charles Hubbard, Brian DeGrande, Carlton VanMeter, Rose Luttrell and Daniel Herrick.

Letters of appreciation for "out-standing patrol activity and professionalism" on the midnight shift for October 1988 were issued to: officers Gary Brandemihl, William Michaluk, Wayne Beerbower, Charles Rozum, Alan Soderlund, Daniel Her-

rick, James Jarrett, Patrick Comini, Matt Kozba and Ronald Shaskan. Other letters of appreciation were issued to:

- James Skrzycki for actions at a fire at the Lubavitch Center Jan. 6, 1989.
- Brad Schwartz and Tom Shlvak for arrest of a suspect in a criminal sexual conduct in the second-degree and unarmed robbery case Jan. 14, 1989.
- Daniel Luoma for assisting in the search and arrest of a suspect in an armed robbery case Jan. 17, 1989.

- James Kase for investigation and location of a disoriented elderly woman Feb. 4, 1989.
- Don Fradette for the arrest of a suspect in a larceny case Feb. 6, 1989.

Other citations were issued to North Olmsted, Ohio, detective Larry Mason for information provided in the Oakland County serial rapist case; Michigan State Police Lt. Don Minton and Charlotte Day received citations for evidence processed in the same case.

# Senior citizens facilities

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elsewhere in the community. The new building should be one-story, with multi-purpose rooms, a swimming pool, a gym and kitchen facilities.

- Leasing more space at Mercy Center.
- Buying Mercy Center, 28600 11 Mile, which is having some financial problems, from the Sisters of Mercy.
- Buying or leasing property on the Mercy campus to build a senior center.

When asked, Nylin said she believes the senior center should remain — in one form or another — at Mercy Center.

between building a new center and leasing more space at Mercy is negligible. To build a \$4 million center of at least 37,000 square feet, bonds at 7.75 percent would cost \$11,032 million over 20 years.

Leasing at \$3.50 per square foot for 50,000 square feet would cost \$1,007 million after 20 years. The total leasing costs include a 26-percent increase every five years with other costs, such as repairs, increasing 4 percent annually. Leasing costs also include \$500,000 in the first year to remodel the existing facility.

"THE DIFFERENCE in these two numbers are microscopic," senior adult staff member Jack Forbes said.

The city councils took no stand on whether to build a new senior adult facility or lease more space. But

Farmington Hills city manager William Costick summed up the issue. "If you build a building, at the end of 20 years, you have a building. If you lease, at the end of 20 years, you have a lease."

Negotiations are in progress to lease additional space at Mercy Center for programs as well as for the senior adult staff, which has offices at Farmington Hills City Hall. Though not budgeted for 1989-90, approximately \$40,000 of \$140,000 in reserve will be used to rent additional space now. The reserve fund was set up when city-owned property was sold to the Baptist Manor for senior adults four years ago.

"It just isn't working. They need to be on site," Costick said of the senior adult staff members working out of city hall.

**MARK DAVIDOFF**, Mercy Services for the Aging chief financial officer, agreed. Mercy aging services officials are planning development of an \$18 million full-service retirement community on the Mercy campus.

"Our bias is to have a senior center there," he said. A center of a maximum 50,000 square feet would work well with a retirement community. "Our goal in renting to a senior center is to cover the costs of the space. We are not in the business of being landlords for profit," Davidoff said.

A comparison conducted by the committee shows that the difference

between building a new center and leasing more space at Mercy is negligible. To build a \$4 million center of at least 37,000 square feet, bonds at 7.75 percent would cost \$11,032 million over 20 years.

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