

New telephone feature offered to Hills customers

Michigan Bell customers served by specially equipped central offices soon will be able to order up to three phone numbers for a single residence or small business telephone line — each identified by a unique ring.

Beginning Oct. 15, Call Identification Service (CIS) will be available to Farmington Hills customers with one-party service in the 489, 789 and 488 exchanges. The service was approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission in September.

"Call Identification Service gives our customers exciting new options they've never had before," said Mary Jo Filarek, Michigan Bell's local public relations director.

Filarek said individual phone numbers "could make life less hectic for parents with teenagers and

would help customers with small businesses operate on a more professional level — for example, by letting them tailor their response to customer inquiries along individual product or service lines."

Customers also could give out CIS numbers only to special parties — business associates, out-of-town family or emergency callers — and know immediately when the phone rings not only who the call is for but who it's from, she said.

"It's a good buy for families with teenagers, for roommates, and for people who take occasional business calls at home," said Filarek. "Others who'd benefit include volunteer firemen, policemen, doctors, lawyers and other around-the-clock professionals."

And best of all, she added, "the

service lets our customers increase the flexibility and usefulness of their single telephone line without having to invest in any new equipment."

Under the tariff approved by the commission, residence customers would pay monthly charges of \$5 for the first CIS number and \$4 for the second; business customers \$5.25 for the first number and \$4.25 for the second. Each additional number comes with its own separate directory listing at no additional charge.

When used in conjunction with Call Waiting, each CIS number has a different call waiting tone. With Call

Forwarding and CIS, customers can forward calls from either all telephone numbers or from the main number only, allowing them to place calls to their home or business while Call Forwarding is activated.



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Truckin' at Beechview

Students at Beechview Elementary in Farmington Hills are taking part in Walk Across America as part of a year-long, all-school health project. Paraprofessional noon aide Mridula Sharma leads a group of second graders around the school playground during their lunch hour. Students use a quarter-

mile walking path around the playground. They plan to log enough miles this year to reach every U.S. capital city. Parents and other family members are also encouraged to participate by logging their miles this year.

Collection for animals slated for Halloween

The Michigan Humane Society will hold its 5th Halloween Collection for animals on Halloween night. Young people and adults will be asking for donations instead of the usual

treats of candy. Proceeds from this year's collection will be used to help the Michigan Humane Society provide necessary care for the tens of thousands of

homeless, unwanted and abused animals cared for at its three full-service shelters.

Volunteers who would like to help animals (and save their own teeth in

the process) are still needed to help with the collection. Canisters are available at any Michigan Humane Society Shelter. For information on your nearest shelter, call 872-3400.

Surplus food available in Farmington Hills church

Surplus commodity food will be given out from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 24, in St. Alexander's Church, 27835 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills.

The food, distributed through the Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, includes canned beans, peanut butter, flour and butter. It will be made available every other

month. Income-eligible Oakland County residents who did not register in September for the 1989-90 Surplus Commodity Food Program may register the day of the distribution. They must bring proof of total household income for the last 90 days, Social Security card and same type of ID with them in order to register for the

commodities. Senior citizens (people 60 and over) who attend a senior center to pick up their commodities should contact the center for pickup date and time. Also, homebound seniors should contact their nearest senior

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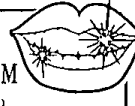
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