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STUDYING up. Farmington Hills Police Lt. Dennis Rochford graduated from the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command on Nov. 9. The 18-year department veteran is a platoon commander for the Patrol Division. Rochford is working toward a master's degree in public administration from Eastern Michigan University.

ON line. A \$2,000 state grant from the Commission on Services to the Aging, coupled with \$1,800 in private donations, will allow the Farmington Hills senior adult program at Mercy Center to be computerized. The system, to be on line within a month, will simplify the tracking of clients, volunteers, client needs, expenses and revenues, said Loretta Conway, division supervisor. It'll provide a database of client information as well as who's receiving what services. It'll save time in program and fiscal reporting, grant writing, inventory keeping, volunteer driver routing and transportation dispatching.

QUOTE of the week

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Arnold Campbell, Farmington city councilman defeated for re-election. Story: 1A.

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To place your classified "Liner" ad for Thursday Nov. 23, call before 5 P.M. Monday, Nov. 20, 1989.
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Happy Thanksgiving

Cops back bar in false ID crackdown

By Joanne Maliszewski
staff writer

"If in doubt, check it out." That's what the staff at Mr. Sports One of a Kind bar have been doing for the past two years. In fact, they stop the doubt before it happens — at the door.

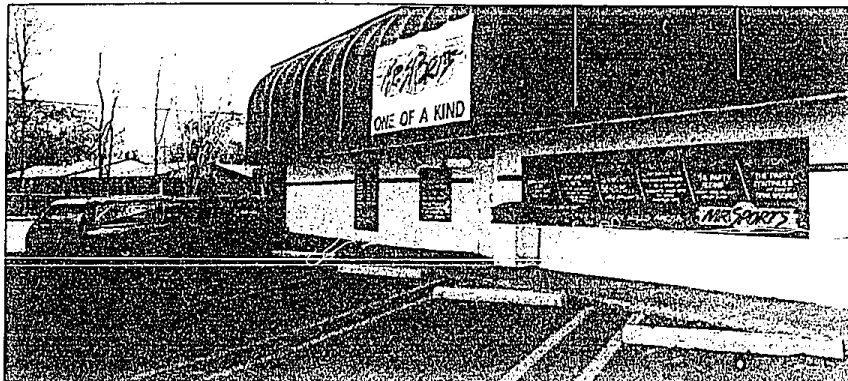
"It's more inconvenience and more work, but it really, really helps," said Kim McNamara, general manager at the Farmington Hills bar in the Orchard-14 Shopping Center on Orchard Lake Road, south of 14 Mile.

Before entry into the well-known sports bar, all patrons — regardless of age — are checked outside the bar for identification to ensure they are at least 21 years old, the legal drinking age.

Weekly, the staff confiscates 20-40 false or altered pieces of identification from minors attempting to enter the bar. The confiscated licenses and personal identification cards are given to Farmington Hills police and turned over to the Secretary of State.

"If anything, it's going to inconvenience a young person as far as having to go to the Secretary of State to get a new license," Farmington Hills Police Chief William Dwyer said.

WITH the Farmington Hills Police Department's help, Mr. Sports took their policy a step further Saturday night. In a reverse sting, police not only confiscated minors' identification, but ticketed them for



Mr. Sports One of a Kind is in the Orchard-14 Shopping Center on Orchard Lake Road, just south of 14 Mile.

violating city ordinances.

"We flagged police who were waiting in the parking lot. They made sure the confiscations were appropriate and then they issued misdemeanor tickets to them," McNamara said.

Eight minors, many 19, were ticketed for liquor law violations as a result of the reverse sting. But only

four were ticketed for using false or altered identification. The civil infraction carries a maximum fine of 90 days in jail and \$500 fine. Other infractions included open intoxicants.

The reverse sting is a new concept established by police to help licensees battle minors illegally trying to buy alcohol. The department's well-

known undercover crackdowns on liquor law violations have always targeted the licensees.

"This time we're working with licensees in an attempt to get at the people trying to purchase alcohol," Dwyer said.

THE REVERSE sting is available to any licensee who requests help.

"But we have to have their full cooperation. We will not just come in and do it without their knowledge and help," Dwyer added.

The reverse sting dovetails into a citywide crackdown on the sale of liquor to minors called Operation C.O.P.E., a partnership among li-

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'Disheartened' ex-councilman looks at loss

By Susan Buck
staff writer

A "disheartened" Arnold Campbell paused Monday to ponder his unsuccessful bid for re-election to the Farmington City Council.

The mayor pro-tem finished fourth among seven candidates with 1,225 votes. He has just completed his first four-year term. When he ran in 1985, he came in second.

"I'm very disappointed and greatly disheartened," said Campbell, 39. "I believe I was totally dedicated and the person best for the job. I have to admit that this was a complete shock. I didn't expect something like this."

Campbell attributed his loss to several factors, including the unusually large voter turnout in Farmington — the highest in history for a non-presidential election — in which 43.9 percent of registered voters went to the polls, many to vote against two statewide school finance proposals.

Campbell said some of these voters may not have been totally informed when they made their council choices. "A lot (just pulled for three candidates)," he said. "They chose randomly."

He said all candidates ran good campaigns.

CAMPBELL ALSO placed some blame on the Oct. 26 Farmington Observer editorial that said he "is not as outspoken nor as quick to offer solutions. Still, he's impulsive, a good listener and approachable." It went on to urge him to be "more aggressive in challenging the administration and serving up solutions."

Campbell said the editorial effectively knocked down some of the momentum of his campaign.

The editorial also, however, praised Campbell for his sound understanding of issues such as sewer separation, solid waste and budgeting. It hailed him for being an enthusiastic ambassador for the city.

"I walked the entire city since the end of August," Campbell said. "I had a lot of people who said, 'Arn, don't worry.'"

Campbell said he averaged 10 hours a week campaigning. "Week after week, the family helped and was very supportive. We were able to do it as a team," Campbell said. He sent out a mailing and was active at the polls.

Campbell is proud of his work in promoting formation of the Downtown Development Authority, the buildings that have gone up and the land-use decisions. He was council liaison to the planning commission.

He is not alone in his disappointment. Jack Draker, special projects coordinator, Oakland County Department of Community and Economic Development.

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RANDY BORST/staff photographer

Mayor Pro Tem Arnold Campbell (left) and Mayor Richard Tupper await results on Election Night, Nov. 7.

THE FORMER council-watcher plans to stay active on the PTA council.

The 11-year Farmington resident and wife, Betsey, have two sons, Andrew, 10, and Bryan, 6. "If I can get over this, maybe I can talk

them into another attempt. A lot of people have called. It's hard to rationalize. I think I'm doing an excellent job."

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Man robbed, stabbed

A masked robber stabbed a maintenance worker in the shoulder after taking \$75 from him outside a Farmington Hills office building early Tuesday.

The 21-year-old victim was treated at Boistfort General Hospital for a wound to the left shoulder. Robbery was the apparent motive, police said.

After responding to an emergency water flow alarm, the maintenance worker was leaving the rear service area of the Tri-Atria office building, 32255 Northwestern Highway, at 1:15 a.m. Tuesday.

As the Detroit man walked toward his car, the robber, wearing a stocking mask and a black leather jacket, appeared from behind a wall, grabbed him and demanded his wallet.

As the man handed him his wallet, the robber stabbed him in the shoulder with a knife that had a 3-inch blade, police said.

The robber then ran toward a dumpster and behind the parking structure. He either entered a waiting car or ran into a nearby field. The victim ran inside to call the police.

Farmington Hills Sgt. Peter Larson found the victim's wallet in a flower bed near the parking structure wall, 250 feet away from the robbery scene. Cash and two credit cards were missing.

Local economy will ride on the opening of I-696

By Joanne Maliszewski
staff writer

Lunch in St. Clair Shores. A quick drive to Eastland Mall. A changing — and perhaps more competitive — economic market for Farmington Hills.

That's just some of what might happen when east meets west with the mid-December opening of the 7.9-mile missing link of I-696 through Southfield.

"It won't be an automatic kind of thing. But it will make a more re-

gional, fluid marketplace for everyone," said Jack Draker, special projects coordinator, Oakland County Department of Community and Economic Development.

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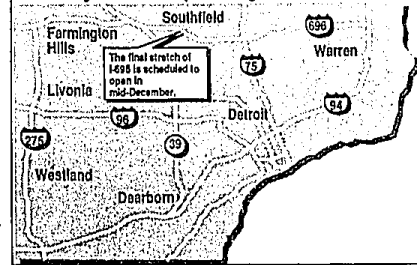
be noticeable. For others, such as Farmington Hills, growth and development is expected to be reinforced, if not improved, with an expanded market.

"The economic health of the entire area will be enhanced. It will be more noticeable in those communities that haven't undergone economic development," said William Costick, Farmington Hills city manager.

An obvious change will be easier west-east travel with less driving

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After 20 years: a complete ring



The opening of the 7.9-mile-long "missing link" of I-696 through Southfield will complete a regional beltway with I-696, I-275 and I-94.