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Hoard Wins Merit Grant

FARMINGTON
Robert N. Hoard of 23437 Floral, Farmington, has been selected as recipient of a \$1,000 National Merit Scholarship.

The award is sponsored by the Quaker Oats Foundation. It is a non-renewable one-time award to be used to attend any accredited U.S. college or university of his choice.

Hoard, a senior at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic High School in Farmington, plans to major in science in college.



MEMORIAL TREE — A memorial tree was planted in the City of Farmington's new Drake Road Park on Arbor Day in honor of Carl P. Boehnke, 61, when he died March 29. He had served on the city planning commission for six years and lived in Farmington about 14 years. A memorial plaque is being prepared to be placed on the base of the tree. At the planting ceremony were: (from left) City Manager John Dinan, Councilman Ralph Yoder, Mrs. Shirley Richardson from the beautification committee, Councilman John Allen and Mrs. Laura Boehnke. (Evert photo)

Rap Line Budget Hike

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With reports showing about 25 per cent of the legitimate Rap Line calls as directly drug related, City Manager John D. Dinan said he was "surprised" that the majority have to do with "behavioral and personality problems."

However, Rideout insisted "drug abuse is a symptom of deeper social problems" and "if we don't deal with their hassles and tensions, we won't

ever deal with their drugs."

Asked by Dinan whether there had ever been an evaluation of the calls by a professional group, Matthews said there has been none because "the program is very new." An evaluation will be made during the coming year, he said.

Rideout told Dinan he had "no way of knowing" how many of the trouble calls were repeat calls from the same

person but that he is now engaged in refining statistical data in an attempt to supply such information. As a "ball park guess," Rideout said he estimated the first 1,200 to 1,300 calls were from 600 to 700 different persons.

THERE WERE 32 individual counseling sessions with 22 adults during January, records showed; 29 sessions with 20 adults in February and 33 sessions with 27 adults in March, 17 of the latter new contacts.

Individual counseling sessions were held with 19 youngsters in January, 17 in February and 31 in March. Responding to a query as to how many young people attend "rap" group sessions "not so much because they have a problem but because they like the people and to socialize," Rideout would say only "a minority." He said he viewed even this attendance as "preventative."

Praise of the Rap Line program was voiced by Gerald St. Souver, director of the Oakland County department of drug abuse control and ex-officio advisory committee member.

He called the requested \$15,000 contribution from the county "well within the ball park" and added:

"We expect expansion from an efficient program and this program is very efficient."

3 Honored

FARMINGTON
Three Farmington students were among those named to the dean's list for the winter quarter at Ferris State in Big Rapids, Mich.

They are: John Roughley of 34400 Quaker Valley Rd., business; Patricia Scall of 31928 Hull, health sciences and arts; and John Stockel of 26345 Middle Belt, general education.

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Receiving high honors were Rebecca D. Kinsey of 30025 Foxgrove and William R. Stevens of 30649 Springland. Receiving honors were Suzanne M. Roberts of 28337 Brandywine and Kim A. Uphoff of 25155 Castlereigh.

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