### Community Corner

This week's question:

Should the police be able to stop motorists simply for not using their seat

We asked this question at the Dunkin' Donut shop on Orchard Lake Road in northern Farmington Hills.





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don't work right. It the manufacturer's fault." - Joe Sakofske III Fermington Hills







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# New budget would dip into city reserves

In the proposed budget, General Fund-revenues show an increase of less than one percent,

due mainly to new construction. Valuation on existing property is frozen at last year's rates. The proposed General Fund budget is \$4.76 million, with the majority, of it coming from local property taxes.

Topping expenses for the city is the public safety department at 31 percent, followed by general government at 32 percent, and and the Public Services Department at 18 percent.

Other proposed budgets licitude \$1.2 millior for the Highway Fund, \$1.76 or the Debt Service Fund, \$220,500 for the Capital Fund and \$1.66 million for the Water and Sewer Fund. The overall \$3.6 million budget is up about

ations and 3.62 for debt reffrement would con-tinue into the new year. That equates to about \$1,025 in property taxes for a house valued at-

\$150,009.
OTHER BUDGET highlights include:

• Revenues are expected to be leaner with
the property tax freeze in place, declining income on city investments because of lower interest rates, and a decrease in city fees associated with development.

• Overall garbage disposal costs are ex-

pecied to increase by 12 percent, and collection by four percent. Wholesale water and sever rates are also scheduled to increase in My.

• The cond of the third water feet proposed to be lowered 15. Leach single family home would pay 151 and early condominium home would pay 151 and early condominium home would be limited to public safety patrol cars and public services trucks. Money for roadwork including the remainder of the Orchard Lake Road withouting and the repair and overlay of Drake and Freedom roads is proposed.

## Doctor-to-be merited for scouting

John Armen Hovanesian, who will receive a doctor of medicine degree this spring from the University of Michigan, has been given scouling's Award of Merit at a recent awards, banquet of the Clinton Valley Coun-



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cil's Ottawa District.

The district Award of Merit is a Council Award given to voluteers forservice to seculing, and it was presented to Hovanesian by Christopher Johnston, Committee Chairman of Troop 179 in Farmington Hills, the largest troop in the district, for which Hovanesian also serves as an ansistant sociumaster with Charles Williams III, scoutmaster.

In presenting the award, Johnstonnoted some of Hovanesian's efforts, which Include, working with high school-aged scouts in Troop 179, where he has organized a baskeball league and other programs.

On the district and council levels, his diverse interests include creating

district-wide scout activities, raising funds through the Friends of Scouting campaign, promoting drug abuse and child abuse education programs and working with a scouting service Iraternity called the Order of the Arrow.

HE ALSO SERVES as a medical resource person to other local scout leaders and has written a "Scouter's Guide to Common Medical Conditions of Childhood" which is being considered for national publication by the Boy Scouts of America.

In 1990 John was also awarded the Gelgy Award for Outstanding Com-munity Service by the Univesity of

Michigan for his active work in scouting while a medical school sophomore.

As a Phi Beta Kappa undergraduse earned his BS in honors.

As a PB Beta Kappa undergraduate, he earned his BS in honous chemistry also from U of M, graduating Summa Cum Laude in three years. He also had a Summa Cum Laude diploma Irom Farmington High School in 1985.

Hovanesian of Farmington Hills will be getting his MD degree, and will intern at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak and later specialize in Ophthamology with a residency at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. He is the son of Joseph and Juleann Hovanesian of Farmington Hills.



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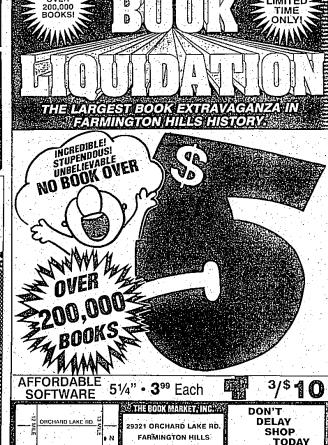
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