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Public Safety officer who saved a life was recognized recently, as were civilians who helped police.

Cable confab: Farmington area MetroVision subscribers will not bear the brunt of a \$6 million upgrade to the system. /3A

Crash aftermath: A woman recovering from a deadly auto crash in Farmington Hills is likely to face charges. /4A

Victim critical: A Farmington Hills woman, seriously burned in an April 11 fire in her home sauna, was still in critical condition Friday. /5A

Find the walking shoes: The March of Dimes is asking Farm-ington-area residents to help celebrate 25 years on the road to healthier babies. /5A

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Selling spirit: Two Troy couples pool their finances to open a chain of motivational materials stores in southeast Michigan. /6A

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Food allergies: Foods that nourish some people, make others sick. /1B

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Students: No mandatory service



A proposed requirement mandating high school seniors to perform community service is being protested by North Farmington senior Dan Pierce and some of his classmates.

By LARRY O'CONNOR

What was supposed to be a service learning proposal has turned into a civice leason. North Farmington High senior Dan Pierce and his classmates have spear-tion to the Farmington School Board

headed a petition drive to protest a proposed graduation requirement that would have students work in the

of Education once all signatures are collected and verified.

"Some kids were signing 'Michael Jordan,'" Pierce said. "So we had to ground the plan, which would have required students to work 30 hours in the community starting in 1995-07.

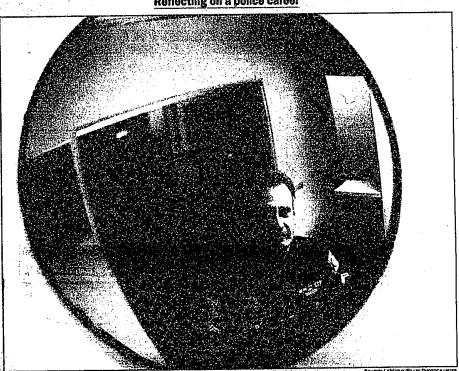
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Trustees tabled the proposal March 28 for further review. Several board members were concerned about the plan, which would have required students to work 30 hours in the community starting in 1996-97.
The requirement would increase to 40 hours in ensuing years.
Service learning will give students

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Reflecting on a police career



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Howeved offices: "I've seen a lot of stuff in 21 years, especially for this being a small department," says Farmington's Jim
Madigan.

City's top cop Madigan cool under fire

By Larry O'Corroon

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Madigan has been one of the first on the scene for Parmington's only two, murders in the last 15 years. His actions—along with those of other officers—were cited in both cases.

Madigan sifed through 600 tips in the 1978 slaying of a freet Scott superassist employee. The murder-word union-sed, but Madigan and his collengues received a unit commendation for their work.

Raymond Ponke's consession as Farmington dental office wh helped lead to a first-degree con-tion in the brutal murder of Jac

tion in the brutal murner of Jacks Ponks last year. (He's been cited for helping re-move as unconscious person from a burning apartment in May 1899, He was also one of several officers.

Hills' Dornan named state's top city clerk

BY BILL COUTANT

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Farmington Hills City Clerk Kathy
Dornan is a league of her own.
Dornan, 42, who was honored in
January for her induction into the International Institute of Municipal
Clerks, was named by her fellow
clerks throughout Michigan as the
City Clark of the Year and was recognized in carconomies at Michigan
State University April 19.

We are very proud of Ma. Dornan's accomplishments here in Farmington Hills and pleased that her
work is being recognised by her oilsegmes from across the state," said
Hills City Manager Bill Costick. "She
is very articulate, abe's a real profesaional, and we slit think the world of
her."

Dornen, a mother of three and wife to Wixom City Manager Mike Dor-



Kethy Doman

nan, was elected City Clerk of the Year in statewide belloting. Mayor Jonne Smith said she was "proud, but not a bit surprised," "We've always felt that Kathy is the best in the state," Smith said. "People 'don't know how hard she works to make sure elections go

Future is looking bright for Grand River corridor

BY BILL COUTANT

The Grand River corridor will be brightened up as part of a redevelopment plan.

A lighting project, which will include 90 lights along the corridor between Eight Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills, will consume a large chunk of the budget for improvements for 1995/DR.

The Great River Improvement

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The Grand River Improvement consultive is proposed budget will include \$50,000 of 1994/95 Community Development Block Grant money, \$22,000 in 1995/96 CDBG funds, \$100,000 in Farmington Hills money in the state Kathy is that Kathy is that Kathy is the thing of the state of t

chairman of the Grand River Corridor Study Group, and until its sale last your, a 43-year owner of the Botsord Inn. "I think we've got to inspire more businesses to become interested in bringing the area up."

The lighting and landscaping plan for phase one, which will go before the City Council tonight for approval, includes street lighting, landscaping, sidewalks, acroening, handicap ramps, driveway access, removal of talephone poles, sign improvements, curb repair and construction.
"It's something our city administration is excited about," said City Manager Bill Costick. "This is just the first phase (from Eight Mile to Middlabelt). But we hope to extend this to Orchard Lake eventually."

Costick said he hopes the project will begin a turnaround to one of the older parts of the city, and praised

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