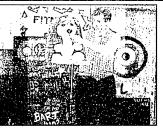
### Talking it over



Role playing: Above, Hillside Elementary School third-grad-er Danielle Betley role-plays her shock at another student's use of cigarettes with ventril-quist Todd Gale as the Ventrilquist toda Gale as the ventru-oquist and Merry Dog meeting first-graders during a recent assembly, Gale's "doubletalk" Substance Abuse Prevention Program included ventriloquism, puppetry, magic and humor and was one of several activities of the school's "Sober October" efforts.



Essay winner: Harrison High's Chad Kotarba is honored by local GOP chair Ben cnair Ben Marks, left; Rep. Andrew Raczkowski and Sen. Willis Bullard for his first place essay in
the Farmington Republican
Club's annual essay contest.



# GOP honors Harrison High senior

A Harrison High School senior took first place in is Farmington Republican Club's annual essay

the Farmingon repusitant

("Chad Kotarba took home the \$100 first place
prite, in addition to visiting Lansing to receive a
special Legislative tribute and meet with state
Sen. Willis Bullard, Rep. Andrew Raczkowski and
local GOP club chair Ben Marks.

Essay writers were asked to answer the question
'la.that government best which governs least?"

Chade essay focused on the need for better citizen
control of their government, with more powerful
local and state rule as compared to federal.

He wrote: "A true Democratic government might be better controlled if more decisions were left up to small jurisdictions, to allow them to have more control over what is right for their individual economies."

Size of government is not as important as who it serves, Chad wrote. "Less is not always better, unless the quality of a smaller government is more effective and efficient than big bureaucracy."

Other contest winners were second place winner, Amanda Mason of Harrison High, \$50, and David Ellison of North Farmington, \$25.

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### **OBITUARIES**

LINDA L HEATON
Linda I. Heaton, 48, died Oct.
30 at her home in Farmington.
Ms. Heaton was a resident of
Farmington for 36 years and
worked as a nurses aide at
Courtyard Manor Nursing Home
in Farmington Hills. She was a
member of the 700 Club and
Farmington Hills Baptist
Church.

Church.
She is survived by mother,
Ethel; brother, Noah; sister Evejun; niece Sarah; and nephews,
Jeremy and Auron.
Funeral services were held
Nov. 1 at Heeney-Sundquist
Funeral Home in Farmington
with the Rev. Brian Wingenroth
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MARGARET A. RICE

Margaret A. Rice, 71, died Oct.
23 in Farmington Hilbs.
Born in Czechoslovakin, Mrs.
Rice was a homemaker.
She is survived by sons, David,
Alon, William and Denis; daughter, Linda; isisters, Helen and
Grace; brother, Michael; and
grandchildron, Kristie, Megan,
Rebecca and Ariel.
Funeral sorvices were held
Oct. 23 at St. Alexander Church
in Farmington Hills with the
Rev. James Wright officiating.

WALFRED O. BERCKSON

WALFRED O. ERICKSON
Walfred O. Erickson, 88, died
Oct. 29 at Oakwood Hospital in
Dearborn.

A former resident of Farming-ton, Mr. Erickson worked in labor relations for General

Motors and was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. He was also a member of the Masons, the Moose Lodge, the Swedish Club and the Finnish

Masons, the Moose Lodge, the Swedish Chub and the Finnish Center.

Ho is survived by wife, Eleanore; daughters, Dogmar (Gerald) Malstrom of Westland and Karen (Thomas) Teichman of Marquette; brother, Elmer Erickson of Farmington; sister, Ellie Krupsky; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 3, at Bethlohem Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills with the Rev. Jonathan Bomgren officiating. Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.



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