# Police supervisors contract OK'd

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Farmington Hills police management will receive a 9-percent pay increase over three years under a new contract.
Farmington Hills City Council approved the agreement between police lieutenants and sergeants at its Dec. 8 meeting.
Under the new deal, lieutenants and sergeants get a 3-percent raise retrouctive to July 1, 1996 when the last contract expired. They also received another 3 percent increase dated back to July 1 this year.
The contract, ratified by the union Nov. 25, extends to July 1 lext year. Union and city representatives needed a year-and-a-

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half to negotiate it.
"Sometimes the issues are more complex then they look," said Dana Whinnery, Farmington Hills Human Resources director. "We did get there. Everyone is happy with the contract."

Police lieutenants and sergeants pay more for health insurance with the new pact.

Yearly deductibles for master medical coverage increase from \$100 to \$200 for single officers and from \$200 to \$400 for fami-lies.

In exchange, union members receive increases in pension and will be paid for componsatory time.

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Pension multiplier increases from 2.50 to 2.65 for retirees under age 65 while those 65 and older goes up from 2.25 to 2.375. That number is used to multiply years worked to figure compensation during retirement.
In order to retire, an officer needs 25 years of service and to

plier, a 50-year-old person with 25 years worked would receive 68.25 percent of their base pay during retirement.

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An officer receives 1-percent
for each year worked more than
25 for a muximum of 70 percent.
Retirement pay is reduced if an
officer chooses to provide 50.7 or 100 percent of their pension
and health care to a surviving
spouse in case of death, with
lesser pay for more survival benefits.

The city also removed a \$600 The city also removed a \$600 monthly cap on what it pays for retiree health insurance. To help cover the cost, employee contributions to the pension fund increases from 4.5 to 5 percent. Also, partol shift supervisors will be paid time and a half for 20 minutes of comp time for each day worked in order to perform administrative duties.



## Project changes focus of Kenbrook holiday season

BY TIM SMITIS

For most kids, holiday parties at school entail good times, goodies and gifts. But the definition is chenging at Kenbrook Elementary School.

Giving to those in need is the operative word this holiday senson at Kenbrook. The fourth grade classrooms of teachers Shawndra Hernton, Cynthia Kalota and Deanne Shatuck were hard at work during Friday morning's Project Community Holiday Party, wrapping up their donations of toys, clothes and household necessities.

These items were then packed into a 3-by-4-foot cardboard box and delivered Saturday by the Farmington Area Goodfellows to a designated family in Farmington, said Kenbrook parent Mori Kerekanich. The project was co-ponsored by Kenbrook and The Neighborhood House.

"The kids voted to send their kerekanich as the include of having a party for themselves, they wanted to learn about community responsibility." Kerekanich said the "adopt-Korekanich and t

community responsibility."

Kerekanich said the "adopted family" of six includes a

and three children, ages 4, 7 and 9. The family, which has an income that falls below the poverty line, was selected "because they had a fourth grader," someone their age to whom they could relate.

According to Kerekanich, students raised about \$250, with the moneyearned at home by doing household chores. They also bought a wide range of gifts, ranging from \$5 to \$50. Some bought Legos. Others bought new boots, coats and shirts. A pair of slippers and a robe were purchased for the grandmother and pots and pass and other dishware were bought for the parents. According to Kerekanich,

for the parents.

Besides making the holiday brighter for the family, Kerekanich said students will benefit by learning an impor-tant life lesson - to be good citizens who keep others in mind.
"If you teach your kids at a

young age to give to those who are less fortunate than you," she said, "then it makes for a more well-rounded community."



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