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of which would be along Middlebelt Road between 14 and 10 Mile roads. Another solution, the one Sever currently favors, is to find where stormwater is getting into the sanitary sewer system and divert it to the storm sewer system.

Either way, the cost will be high, and the county will be looking to the federal and state governments for help. "We expect to get some grant money," Sever said. "We just hope there's enough to fund a solution."

Commissioner David Moffitt, who represents the 19th District, said sanitary sewer backups into basements of local homes is a local issue, one that is strictly the purview of city governments, under current state law. Moffitt, who chairs the Public Services Committee, said committee members have their hands full, with technology projects, particularly with the Sheriff's Department. While funds are now available for 9-1-1 system enhancements, putting them into action takes time.

"Implementing and making it work is quite a job," Moffitt said. "It's quite involved."

The committee is working on a

plan to unify the county's public safety communications, he said. Information exchange seems to be a theme this year, as the committee is also overseeing installation of a fiber-optic cable network that will connect with over 175 local government sites.

"We're going to be able to exchange information with local governments over our own system," Moffitt said. "That's going to give us tremendous capabilities."

The \$7.2 million basic network could be enhanced to deliver information to employees who work in the field. In the future, data base information may be shared - so firefighters could learn whether police have had any trouble with a residence to which they've been called, for

instance. It will also eliminate the turf wars and dollars spent on satellite offices in communities, he added.

"We don't want more brick and mortar, we want access," Moffitt explained. "The county can't afford to build everywhere."

Moffitt also continues to push for televising county commission meetings. He said his committee will be televised this year, and he hopes, some of the full commission meetings.

"We've got money reserved in the budget for infrastructure to televise our meetings," he said. "It appears we're putting together a small group that will recommend exactly how to implement this. It's more alive than ever."

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support it." That only cemented trustees' plan to steer clear of open enrollment. If the district's much larger neighbors - Livonia and Farmington - decide to go that route, all bets are off, trustees

said. Neither district is considering open enrollment, though.

Unanswered questions over special education and other funding make open enrollment too risky, Trustee Matt Boettcher said.

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"official" auction, said staff member Sallio Atsalis.

"These are smaller items that people donated that we couldn't package with anything," Atsalis explained.

Students earned their fake auction money (not the real stuff) by doing extra homework, keeping up their desk areas or just being a little more considerate of others than usual.

How the students chose to spend their money was up to them. Sixth grader Devin Sochor splurged \$60 for glow in the dark

space posters. First grader Chris Douglas spent \$90 for Billy Bass the Singing Fish.

But seventh grader Peter Kosinski held out for auction item number 41, one less homework assignment. Peter bid \$110 to get out of homework. He said he will probably choose to lose homework in an English class.

"I'll pick literature, maybe translating Shakespeare," he said with a smile. "Either that or a writing assignment. They're tedious."



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 8
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir and Orchestra presentation of: "Behold the Lamb of God"
Thursday, April 12
7:30 p.m. Teanebr Service of the Shadows with Communion
Friday, April 13
Noon - 3:00 p.m. "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by the Ministerial staff of Ward EPC
Sunday, April 15
Sunrise Service: 7:00 a.m. (Chapel)
Celebration Services: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m.
"Why do you believe Jesus will raise you from the dead?"
Contemporary Service: 8:45 a.m.
Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.



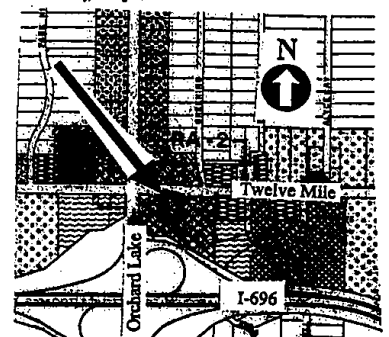
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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

DATE: APRIL 19, 2001
TIME: 7:30 P.M.
PLACE: Farmington Hills City Hall
31555 Eleven Mile Road
Farmington Hills, MI 48338
ITEM: SPECIAL APPROVAL 97-3-2001

The Farmington Hills Planning Commission will give formal consideration to an application for a Special Approval which requests the approval of the Planning Commission to allow the outdoor sale of spring flowers on a temporary basis. The property involved is located on the south side of Twelve Mile and east of Orchard Lake Road, and is more particularly described as:

Sidwell 23-14-101-034, address 20685 Twelve Mile, Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 14, Township 1N, Range 9E., City of Farmington Hills, Oakland County, Michigan.



The applicant in this matter is Duane Fuselien for owner Gary Tringali, Maveric Development.

Any person who is interested is invited to participate in the discussion of the Special Approval request. The Site Plan and Zoning Text and Map may be reviewed at the Planning Office of the City of Farmington Hills on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

DALE A. COUNTAGAN, Director

Item: Site Plan 97-3-2001
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