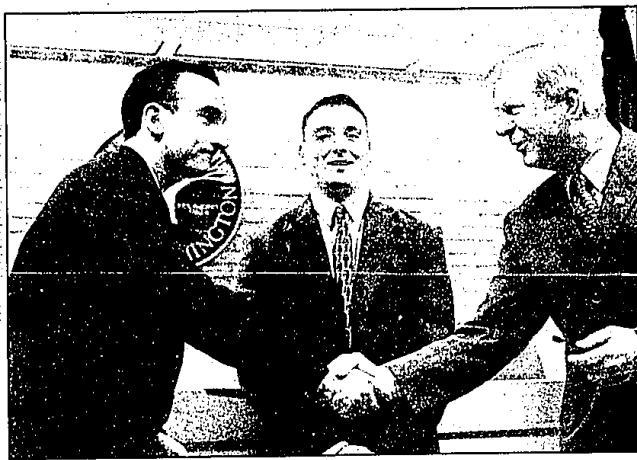




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New Job: Public Safety Director Gary Goss (at right) offers congratulations to new dispatcher William Drabkowski. New Public Safety Officer Alan Baranski (center) begins training immediately.

FPS welcomes new staffers

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The City of Farmington gained two new employees this week. Public Safety Officer Alan Baranski was sworn in Oct. 1 in the council chambers at Farmington City Hall. The city also welcomed Dispatcher William Drabkowski during the ceremony.

Baranski, 30, is a native of Sterling Heights. He is a graduate of Henry Ford II High School in Sterling Heights and Macomb County Community College, where he obtained his associate's degree.

He will begin a 12-week field training program with group of experienced Farmington Department of Public Safety officers. "I think he will be an excellent officer and a dedicated employee," said Farmington Public Safety Director Gary Goss. Baranski and his wife, Dawn, are expecting their first child in January. His brother is an officer in the City of Fraser. Baranski's hobbies include bowling, softball, golf and hockey.

Drabkowski is a 22-year-old Dearborn native who now lives in Livonia. He is a graduate of Dearborn High School and Schoolcraft College.

He worked as a security officer at Fairlane and 12 Oaks Malls and as a dispatcher at the Wolverine Lake Police Department.

Drabkowski's knowledge of the Law Enforcement Information Network and CLEMIS (Court Law Enforcement Management Information System) are an asset, Goss said. "He was highly recommended," he said.

Drabkowski will begin dispatch training with an experienced Farmington Department of Public Safety dispatcher.

His hobbies are reading and traveling.

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