Active in community: John Young, Vice President, External Affairs and Chief Marketing Officer for Walsh College, is also ice pres-ident of Old Homestead subdivision's

homeowners association in Farmington Hills.



Hills man keeps busy as Walsh VP

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As vice president of external
affairs at Walsh College, Farmington Hills resident John Young
wears many hats – overseeing
alumni relations, student services, satellite campuses, registration and financial aid.
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for me," he said of his staff.
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"No two days are ever the same, it's a good group and the education field is a lot fun right now," the 41-year-old said.
"Many people are coming back to

finish up degrees. We do a lot of work with community colleges."
After teaching marketing for 15 years at Wayne State University, Young took an opening at the private college, which specializes in business education.
Young also keeps active in his personal time as vice president of the Old Homestead subdivision where he and his wife, Melinda, daughter Katie, 9, and wins sons, Jonathan and Joseph, 6, live. The subdivision is located between 11 and 12 mile roads and Halsted and Drake Road.
Young is expected to be elected

Farmington. The group meets every other month.

"It's very grassroots oriented," Young said. "We have candid discussions."

Young was also recently elected to the board of the Farmington Chamber of Commerce and served as campaign chair person when his neighbor, Ken Massey, ran for City Council last fall. Massey said Young is a neighbor everyone would want.

"Ho's a very level-headed guy, a pleasant family man. He's the kind of person you'd want as a neighbor."

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sandy can vouch for that. She recalled when Andy was just learning to talk, he would crawi into the room when he heard the "Jeopardy" theme song and shout out incomprehensible

shout out incomprehensible answers.
Contest regulations prohibit Andy from revealing the content or outcome, but he didn't take home the top prize.

He described the buzzers as difficult to operate, something like a clicker pen. It was difficult to 'buzz in' first, because all three kids usually knew every answer and the competition was incredible, Sandy said.

Whatever the outcome, just appearing on the show was an enjoyable experience for Andy.

"Alex Trebek is a fun guy," he said. "He did a lot of wild and cray stuff during the commercial breaks. He did an Irish jig. Everyone was really nice to us."

Taping stretched over two days, "Jao a.m.-8 p.m. one day and 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. the next.

"They take 10 shows in two days," Sandy said.

Andy added, "Alex Trebek only works 49 days during the year."

Inspired by his experience, Andy may try to win an appearance on "Wheel of Fortune."

"Just last night 1 got the puzzle without any letters," he sail.

"Just last night I got the puz-zle without any letters," he said. Considering the time of year the show aired, he figured the spaces spelled out, "It's a Wonderful

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Andy, who holds a 4.0 grade point average, says he watches a lot of TV. "But I have to keep up

with homework, too.

"He watches three or four game shows at one time," his mother says. "He keeps flipping back and forth. When he watches sports, he watches four or five games at one time."

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Andy is a Quiz Bowl member at Farmington High, working with advisor Jeremy Gold. "We came in third in our first and only tournament so far, which is pretty darn good because we have only three people," he said.

Andy wants to go to college in California and may become a teacher.

teacher.
Fellow students are impressed

with Andy's efforts and want to be on Jeopardy, too. "I told them it's hard but to go for it," Andy

Walsh offers education, services to businesses

About 125 people from the Farmington/ Farmington Hills area are currently enrolled in classes at Walsh College, which offers the communities it serves more than just an educational

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The college's Novi campus sits on 11 acres off of Meadowbrook Road, just north of Grand River. Opened in leased facilities in the fall of 1993 to serve the residents of the western metro area. Walsh College moved into the 35,000-square-foot, technology-enriched facility in 1998.

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The school offers professional services to companies interested

in using meeting rooms or computer labs, and there are also more than 30 specialized education consultants and instructors who offer employee training, classes and seminars.

The building's classrooms and even hallways are wired for people to connect laptops to the Internet. Special equipment is also available for instructors and business people conducting seminars.

meet demand," she said.
Besides classrooms, the school offers classes through the Internet, noted John Young, vice president of external affairs. It's become a popular way to learn without having to face the hazards of driving in the winter, he said.

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About 800 students last fall took a class on line. Young said about two-thirds of the students take at least one on-line course while also taking a classroom

course.

The school specializes in help-

ing students reach their goals from starting school to job recruitment. Diamond said. She pointed out Farmington High School held its business seminar at the college last year and all Farmington high schools plan to join in the program this year.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. "We did a session on international business trends."

For more information, call Walsh College's Novi Campus at (248) 349-5454.





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