YEAR

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Barnett dropped out, only
State Rep. Gilda Jacobs (DHuntington Woods) remained
on the slate for State Senate
representing Farmington and
Farmington Hills.
Farmington Hills officials
signed a deal with the
Farmington Flayers approved a
\$250,000 flow-year contract
that allows use of the Players
new Barn on 12 Mile Road for
some city functions.
Farmington Road closed to
southbound traffic as a twophase construction program
continued. The road was
widened from four to five lanes
in one section and reconstructd between Slocum and Grand
River.
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Councilman Bill Hartsock
announced he would resign his
council post effective March
31, because he had purchased a
home in Farmington Hills.
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tabled a decision on a shared time arrangement to provide public school teachers for art, music and physical education classes at Our Lady of Sorrows School, giving the OLS community time to hash over differences among parents. A Troy woman and her daughters were charged with embezzling more than \$1 million from a Farmington Hills engineering firm. However, attorneys for the women charged that the criminal charges were a ploy to further charged that the criminal charges were a ploy to further a civil suit the company filed against the women.

APRIL

The month started with difficult economic news, as Hills-based Compuware announced layoffs from its 3,000-employ-ee facility. The move was part of a company-wide reorganiza-

of a company-wide reorganiza-tion plan.
Farmington City officials announced that interviews to replace retiring councilman Bill Hartsock would not be made public. Instead, appli-cants were encouraged to apply to each council member individually, to protect their privacy. They eventually appointed local businessman and long-time resident Mike Harrison to the post. A stand-off in Farmington Hills ended tragically April 2, when a 22-year-old man com-mitted suicide.

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A State Supreme Court ruling appeared to be good news
for Farmington Hills residents
who filed suit for damages
from basement flooding in
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from basement flooding in 1998. While the court ruled that residents have to prove cities are at fault in such cases, it also grandfathered existing lawsuits.

Last year's popular Cafe on the Porch at the Governor Warner Mansion moved to the Longarer House in Farmington Hills.

A dozen additional felony counts were filed against former dentist Donald Quinn, accused to stalking and assaulting one of his patients. The new charges included eight counts of criminal sexual conduct and drug-related charges.

Karen Bolsen, co-chair of the Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council, was named Citizen of the Year by the Farmington Area Jaycees. Farmington School officials elected to back off a deal to share public school teachers with Our Lady of Sorrows private school, after parents staged a vigorous protest. Officials believe it will still be

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2004 school year.
The new 47th District Courthouse won't include a proposed tunnel to transport prisoners, because digging it ultimately proved impractical. Instead, there will be a secured underground entrance installed for prisoner trans-ports from the Hills Police building nearby.



in June, crews pour concrete on Farmington Road. The road wasn't finished until early fall, Local busi-nesses suffered lost revenues and failed to convince the city to offer

Gerald and Barbara Gorzeck of Farmington Hills died April 19, when a Camaro driven by a Goyan-Goyan Goyan Go

\$400,000 in damages.

Owners of businesses hit twice by the two-year Farmington Road reconstruction project asked city officials for tax relief, to help stem the tide of lost revenues. City officials, while sympathetic, werent able to offer financial assistance.

A committee charged with exploring later start times for Farmington high schools recommended no changes be made for the coming school year, but suggested the district continue to study the issue.

The Farmington Downtown Development Authority moved its headquarters to a building near the historic Civic Theater on Grand River, in order to have a more visible presence in the community.

have a more visible presence in the community. State House candidate Aldo Vagnozzi launched an unusual campaign stunt, walking 65 miles from downtown Farmington to Lansing. The 76-year-old former Hills mayor made stops along the way to highlight issues central to his campaign.

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North Farmington High alumnus Dr. Jeff Lazar announced a \$50,000 endow-ment to the school's science department, to honor Don Howell, a retired chemistry teacher.

Terry Deichert, who stepped in to serve as executive director of the Longacre House in 2001, was honored by the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce as their ATHENA Award winner. Clarenceville Superintendent of Schools

ATHENA Award winner. Clarenceville Superintendent of Schools Tom Tattan announced he'd been effered a similar position in Waterford Schools; he later accepted the post.

The City of Farmington's first armed robbery of the year happened May 20 at the KPC restaurant on Farmington Road. No customers were in the store, but three employees were working.

The City of Farmington Hills announced a pass-through 12, percent increase in water and sewer rates. They expect the double-digit increases to continue, because of the costs incurred by Detroit Water and Sewerage Department's dealing with aging infrastructure.

JUNE

A groundbreaking ceremony for the Holocaust Memorial Center at 12 Mile and Orchard Lake Roads kicked off construction for the expanded facility, In addition to an expanded museum dedicated to documenting the horrors of the Holocaust, the center will include "The Institute of the Righteous," honoring those who have made positive contributions to the world.

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Botsford General Hospital announced plans to deal with an \$181. million deficit accrued in 2001, and officials expected to be back in the black by

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Farmington resident Derwin Success, who gained notoriety in the 1980 kinough a peace march on Grand River in downtown Farmington, was convicted of first degree criminal sexual conduct in connection with the sexual assault for a young fernale member of his

tion with the sexual assault of young female member of his household.
Officials at the Nissan Technical Center in Farmington Hills announced plans for a \$33.8 million pians for a \$38.8 million expansion locally, rather than extending the company's reach into Japan

into Japan.
Incumbent Gary Garrison meumoent eary Garrison and newcomer Kimberly Bibik took their oaths of office, having won election to the Clarenceville School Board. In Farmington Schools, less than one percent of voters turned out at the polls to re-elect incumbents Jack Inch and

Cathy Webb. Farmingto

es for an emotional closing

The Farmington Hills branch library closed June 14 for several weeks, so that staff members could move 150,000 books and 75,000 audio-visual materials to the library's new addition.

Farmington Hills Police sought charges in connection with a house fire and damage that resulted after a 15-year-old resident of a home on Thillium allegedly planned a party for his friends that spiraled out of control.



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