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Even before Margaret Haggerty opens her gift, she shows her delight with the student and parent surprise.

Our Lady of Sorrows first grade teacher Margaret Haggerty adores a handmade quilt given to her as a gift from students. The quilt was produced by 30 students and some parents, who made squares.



Student Michael Warren looks for the square he made on his teacher's quilt.

Piece by piece

Quilt made by students is special gift for teacher

MMARGARET HAGGERTY will never get another gift as special. Thirty-five of her first graders at Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary School made a quilt for their teacher, as a Christmas gift and a special "thank you" for all her efforts through

out the year. Each student designed his or her own quilt square, and parents and friends put the project together. Haggerty got her quilt on Friday, Dec. 20 before school let out for vacation. "She's extraordinary," said parent Nancy Guy, whose daughter Jenna is in the first grade class. "Everybody loves

this teacher. She's just positive and up all the time."

THE ENTIRE quilting project took about two weeks, and every student was represented on the project. The uncle of one student, a commercial artist, helped design the center of the quilt, which in-

cluded a photograph and poem. "It was truly a gift from the kids," she added. Guy called the project "the high point" of her Christmas, because of the combined work of the students, their parents and other friends. "It's truly what Christmas is all about," she added. "There was a lesson here for everyone."

police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

- BREAK-IN**
 A homeowner on Innsbrook in Farmington Hills reported a \$350 snowmobile stolen Dec. 23. He told police he forgot to close the door of his attached garage when he returned home. In the early afternoon, he saw a Ford Granada pull up into his driveway and back up towards his garage door. He ran outside and saw the passenger of the car putting the snowmobile in the back seat of the vehicle. The owner said that he saw that vehicle cruising the neighborhood earlier in the day.
- STOLEN CURRENCY**
 An unknown amount of money was taken the afternoon of Dec. 23 from three collection boxes in the main hallway of Hillside Bible Church in Farmington Hills. Nothing else was taken, police said. Checks were left in collection boxes. The thief allegedly gained entry through a doorwall.
- STOLEN TUBING**
 An unknown amount of newly installed copper tubing was reported cut away from the ground wires Dec. 23 at Grace Chapel on Halsted in Farmington Hills. The amount was valued at more than \$100.
- TORN SOD**
 A Westcott Crescent Circle resident in Farmington Hills reported Dec. 26 that a vehicle tore up 30-40

feet of sod. Damage was estimated at between \$200 and \$300.

- HUBCAPS STOLEN**
 A Southfield man reported Dec. 23, the \$400 hubcaps were stolen from his 1990 Chevy Lumina that was parked in the lot next to Boastford Hospital in Farmington Hills.
- WATCH STOLEN**
 A stainless Rolex watch valued at \$2,000 was reported stolen from an apartment in the Drakshire Apartments complex in Farmington Dec. 14-18.
- DAMAGE REPORTED**
 The door of a car parked at Maple Village Drugs, 23306 Farmington Road, was scratched causing \$150 in damage Dec. 18.

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Quite an honor

Sister Mary Ignatius Densy, retired art teacher at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, is presented a Senate resolution from State Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, during a special tribute concert in her honor at Mercy recently. Behind sister is Patrick Campion, Catholic Central freshman and son of Roberts Campion, director/choreographer for Mercy musicals. More than 700 attended the concert.

