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accomplishments as a teacher and as an administrator. She has been with the Farmington Public Schools for more than 20 years. She is serving as the immediate past president for Beta Eta Chapter and is on the Delta Kappa Gamma Oakland Coordinating Council. She will be honored at the March Coordinating Council meeting and at the Delta Kappa Gamma State Convention in May.

Adam Faber of North Farmington High School placed first in the Optimist Club Essay competition. Taking second place was Linda Lacina of Farmington Hills.

Harrison, and Alicia Crossland of North Farmington High School took third place. The winning entry will be submitted to the Optimist district competition for judging against other Optimist Club winners throughout the state. The winner of the district competition will be awarded an expense-paid trip to the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge for a four-day conference on freedom and leadership, paid by the Optimist International Foundation and the Optimist International Foundation of Canada.

Gabriel Yashinsky won the Geography Bee at the school. Yashinsky will receive a game certificate and a globe from National Geographic, and a chance to qualify for the State Geography Bee held in April in Lansing. The Geography Bee is sponsored by the National Geographic Society and Amtrak.

Detroit Country Day School senior Heather Shenkman of Farmington Hills has been named a semifinalist in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. She is the daughter of Gail and Jack Shonkman. The search is consid-

ered one of the most prestigious high school science competitions in the country. Shenkman is one of 300 semifinalists selected from more than 1,500 high school seniors nationwide. Shenkman conducted her research for the Science Talent Search last fall under the direction of Dr. Linda Fisher, a molecular virologist at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Her project is entitled "Screening of Escherichia coli for Measles M Gene." Her findings have ramifications for continued research on the M gene and ultimately the possibility of discovering a better vaccine for measles.

MILITARY NEWS

If you have military news with a Farmington-area connection, send it to: Military News, Farmington Observer, 21898 Farmington Road, Farmington, 48336. STEVEN N. HILLAWI, a 1992 graduate of Harrison High School, enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve for a six-year tour of duty as a medical laboratory specialist. HE'S PROMOTED: Marine Cpl. Randall S. Forrester, son of Robert Forrester of Farmington Hills, was promoted to his present rank while serving with 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C.

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