

FARMINGTON NOTES

Physicians honored

Two Farmington Hills physicians, Maureen D. Mayes and Robert G. Niven, were listed recently in "The Best Doctors in America." Based on a nationwide poll of thousands of medical specialists, "Best Doctors" lists 7,200 doctors, slightly more than 2 percent of the nation's practicing physicians, according to senior editor Steven Naifeh.

"What makes our survey so credible is that we have the evaluating done by other doctors," Naifeh said. "Someone who practices the same kind of medicine is uniquely well-suited to assess another doctor's competence."

Mayes is vice chief of the Rheumatology Section at Detroit's Harper Hospital and associate professor of rheumatology at Wayne State University. Niven is medical director of the Chemical Dependence Program at Harper and associate professor of psychiatry at WSU.

Named to board

Dr. Max T. McKinney, president of Farmington Hills Family Healthcare, has been appointed to a two-year term on the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Board of Directors.

McKinney, a Farmington Hills resident, will represent health-care providers on the Blues board.

COHO board named

The Council of Homeowner Associations, an umbrella group for Farmington Hills homeowner groups, has announced its officers.

They are: Debra Kendzierski, president; Bob Bruckner, first vice president; Joe Colombatto, second vice president; Oscar Roberto, secretary; Dick Steiger, treasurer; Marcia Van Creveld, trustee; and Gail Haynes, trustee.

For information about the group, call Kendzierski at 478-0254.

Police hit target with open house

One wet lieutenant: Police Lt. Richard Murphy has dunk-tank duty during Sunday's Police Open House.



JOHN STOKES/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

One of the most popular attractions at the Farmington Hills Police Open House involves taking a shot at someone at the mock situation target range. Shooters then find out if their target was a bad guy or not.

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Sean Ellis became a little overzealous while trying to protect the ambassador and accidentally shot someone taking a picture.

"It's harder than it looks," said the 8-year-old Farmington Hills resident. "But it's neat."

Ellis joined other kids, and some adults, in a mock situation target range during the Farmington Hills Police Department's Open House Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. The hands-on demonstration was one of the more popular attractions at the seventh annual open house.

The demonstration involves a film of a situation. The holder of the "gun" that fires an image at the screen must make a split-second decision and then finds out how he or she did.

"It really gives you an idea of what's involved in these types of situations," said Inspector Ernie Miller. "And it's something the adults like as well."

The range, along with other parts of police headquarters were open to the public. Kids could be fingerprinted, shoot baskets for prizes, see

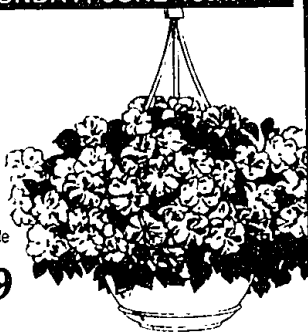
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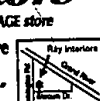
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