

Hills Optimist Club to host golf outing

The Optimist Club of Farmington/Farmington Hills will host its fourth annual golf outing Monday, July 17, at Twin Beach Country Club in West Bloomfield.

Funds raised from the event will be donated to the Farmington Public Schools to help high-risk students avoid substance abuse.

The afternoon event will include a four-person Texas scramble, lunch, a putting contest, prizes, a hole-in-one contest for a

new car and a dinner.

The Optimist Club is seeking players, hole sponsors and prize donors. For more information, call Rusty Soronen (661-0607), Judge Fred Harris (477-5630) or Jim Brady (258-5550).

Anyone wishing to learn more about the Optimist Club is invited to attend the group's weekly breakfast meeting 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesdays at On The Tee Restaurant at the San Marino Golf Club on Halsted.



Special team: Members of the Oak Park Public Safety Department, who make up the Special Response Team, relax after facing a situation in Farmington.

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Police removed four rifles from the home.

"We were just about to make our first call (after the initial call)," said Goss outside the command post. "That's just the way we wanted it to happen."

"We have to take him to the hospital to get some help."

The man, whose name police did not release, was taken to Clinton Valley Hospital for observation. It's not known whether charges will be filed.

The man appeared surprised when confronted by police, said

He said he was going to the bank. So, I assume he didn't know we were there. He just came sauntering across the parking lot.

Sgt. John McNeilance
Oak Park police

concerned how a long standoff would affect his blood sugar level, which was already at 435, Goss said.

Police diverted traffic from the complex. Rush hour traffic on Farmington Road was not affected since the man's residence did not face the road.

"Nobody knew what was going on," said Maggie Peterson, who lives in Kingslane Apartments. "The police were screaming at (motorists) not to turn in."

City hires firm to put infrastructure on line

BY LARRY O'CONNOR
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Does a sewer run through it, or is it the yellow brick road? A computer program will allow Farmington city officials to answer those questions with a mere tap on the keyboard.

Geographic Information Systems is a computer database, which allows cities to keep records of its infrastructure. Sewer lines, water mains, roads, and land plots are currently kept on paper, which deteriorate over time.

Farmington City Council gave the OK to hire Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment to input and store

We really know your records. We shouldn't have any unforeseen problems.

Dave Mariner
Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment

data Wednesday. Council approved the first phase of installation in April.

Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment was the main engineering firm involved in Farmington's \$13 million sewer separation project. The Livonia-based company has city records dating back to 1929.

"We really know your records," said Dave Mariner of Orchard,

Power.

All departments will have access to the information as opposed to having to check with Department of Public Services records. That will allow the city to respond to broken water mains and other emergencies quicker.

Also, the city will be able to keep better track of repairs.

City officials envision the new technology being used by the Public Safety Department to check a building's infrastructure on computer before responding to fires.

"The potential for this is unlimited," City Manager Frank Lauboff said.

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