## Pet-a-Pet from page A1

visit) does have a pleasant

effect."
A little while later, over in one of Courtyard Manor's other buildings, Chewy and a Yorkighire terrier named Sobastian were doing their cheer-them-up

eare doing their cheer-them-up thing.

Chewy sat on his haunches, in front of resident Rose Thecke, who couldn't resist petting the pooch. Meanwhile, Schastian, owned by Farmington Hills resi-ted and the state of the pools of the state of the state of the pools. The state of the state of the pools of the state of the state of the pools of the state of t

TO OPEN A DIAMOND ACCOUNT TODAY:

Martin Finds

Bloodeld Hds

Gusse Pointe Famis Familigues Halls

Thecke. The resident didn't seem to mind the extra attention the

to mind the extra attention the dags were giving her.

"He (Schastian) doesn't know us, but he comes to see us!" asid Theeke. ". . . They're both nice and well behaved."

The pet owners concurred that they often see the kinds of reaction Chewy and Sebastian generated from Alyce and Rose.

"From the perspective of the residents, you can just see a lot of them light up when they see the dags," Strishreckner said. "It reminds them of their childhood

days and it's a starting point to get them talking about themselves. The dogs are the cannection."

According to the Willertzes, who signed up for Pet-a-Pet last year after seeing how pet therapy helped a relative with Alzheimer's, the program is worth with every smile they see. "The majority of patients seem to enjoy petting the dogs and being with them," said Dan Willertz. 'It certainly brings a smile to their faces."

smile to their faces."

Donna Willertz said she sees a

variety of emotions on the faces of the people Chewy visits. "Most of them really look forward to seeing the animals."
Anticipation about the visits apparently goes for the canines and cats as well as humans. "Chewy loves the attention," she added.

"Chewy loves the attention," she added.
Unfortunately, there weren't many other pet volunteers on this particular visit. The Pet-a-Pet program is always on the lookout for animals and their ers to step forward and sign up.

"There's definitely a need for more pets," Donna said.
Judy King, activity director for Courtyard Manor Assisted Living, said residents "really have a great time when the animals come here." Pet-a Pet is in its second season there.
Pet owners interested in voluntering for the Pet-a Pet program should call Daisy Doran, (313) 535-0410. They also viait The Greenery, Botsford Health Center, American House and the McAuley Center.

### Microchip Identification Of Pets **Growing in Popularity**

Over six million dogs and cats are lost yearly in the United States. Only 14% are returned to their

The microchip is a tiny computer chip about the size of a grain of rice. Each chip contains an individual identification number. This chip is placed under the skin between the shoulder blades by a veterinarian. The chip is micro encapsulated so that it will not react with the body and will permanently remain at the Implantation site.

imprantation site,
If a pet is lost, a scanner can be passed over the shoulder blades to detect a unique identification number. The chip manufacturers maintain a 24 hour service to help unite lost pets with their own Avid Friendchip has reported

Identification and return of approximately 500 lost pets

weekly.
The procedure can be performed during a regular office visit. For questions concerning your pet or to schedule an appointment call our office. Protect your pet today. We offer boarding, house calls and 24 hour emergency

Look for our next article in two

"Serving the community for over forty-one years SMALL ANIMAL

HOSPITAL, P.C. 32635 Northwestern Hwy Farmington Hills, MI (248) 626-1854 "We See Big Dogs Too"

Reasons to Choose University of Michigan

Health Gare

from page A1

Debate

undeveloped property and wetlands instead.

When asked by a questioner,
Kurzeja also favors a moratorium on new developments until
infrastructure – such as roadcan catch up, Grant, Ellis and
Oliverio liked the idea, but
doubted its legality agtime Old
To that legality agtime Old
To that legality agtime Old
to dea is worthy of a court battile in the said suggested
the dea is worthy of a court battile in moratorium and its
callenged, fight it. We have to
stater fighting for Farmington
Hills innes way.
We're going to get sued no
matter what we do. My solution
to that is we fight for the residents to live where they've
always lived."

Current council members bristiled at the suggestion they don't
take residents into consideration
on development issues. "We do
fight for our residents in order to
keep developments down," Grant
said.

Ellis pointed out Farmington
Hills has some of the toughest

keep developments down," Grait said.

Ellis pointed out Farmington Hills has some of the toughest zoning in the state and, in many instances, the council reduced the density of proposed developments. The recent agreement tetween Phoenix Land Development and Woodcreek homeowners is a good example of that, Ellis said.

You can't spend all your efforts, time and money in court suits, said Ellis, who is an attorney. You have an obligation to protect all the citizens and try to resolve those problems.

Ellis also took a strong position on potential oil drilling, saying he planned to put forth an ordinance prohibiting the airporne release of hydrogen sulfate—a possible harmful byproduct of such drilling.

That would curtail any oil; gas drilling unless the speculator can guarantee no toxins would spill into the atmosphere, he added.

Ronds and traffic were other

spill into the atmosphere, he added.
Roads and troffic were other quality of life issues candidates took turns on debating.
Kurzeje proposed more left-turn lanes while Ellis said the city couldn't pay the costs alone. He noted it costs \$350,000 a mile to resurface a road and \$2.6 million a mile to widen a road to five lanes, which would quickly deplete the \$5 million a year the city has budgeted for road improvements. Residents might not be willing to pay the aesthetic costs

improvements.
Residents might not be willing to pay the aesthetic coasinvolved in having wider roads, Grant said.

"If given the choice ... they'd probably rather have the green helt and wait 30 seconds at a stop light," Grant said.
Candidates were also asked what they would do differently to improve things.

Kurzeja would have all meetings—including study sessions—cablecast and would require explanations on city signs proposing zoning codes changes.

"Most people think it's just numbers and letters," she said.

"Added Oliverio, echoing what Grant and Ellis said, "I think and the said of the said, "I think and we with the way the city is going."

now with the way the city is going."
Cable viewers can eatch the COHA city council debate and a presentation on the city's parks and recreation millage renewal periodically on Channel 8, with specific playbacks at 7:30 p.m. Thesday and Friday, Oct. 27 and 31, and 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29.

### Jaycees drive on

The Farmington Area Jaycces are seeking canned food items for their Thankagiving baskets for the Needy Project in conjunction with their Haunted House. Anyone bringing a canned food item will receive a dollar off their admission.

item will receive a dollar off their admission.

Donations are also being accepted after during the operat-ing hours of 7:30-11:30 p.m. Fri-days and Saturdays and 7:30-3:30 Thursdays and Sundays.

The Haunted House is located on Orchard Lake Rond, South of 14 Mile Rond in the K-Mart parking lot. For more informa-tion call 477-5227.

#### **MILITARY NEWS**

#### BACK TO BASICS

Army Private Sean Urguhart has entered basic infantry train-ing at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. He will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, map read-ing, tactics, military customs and courtesies and basic combat skills.

skills.
Urguhart is the son of John
Urguhart of Farmington and
Pam Wilson of Clare.

Add A Diamond To Your Portfolio. 5% Premium Rate Money Market Or Savings Account At

Republic Bank. If you're looking for a premium rate account that offers higher yields and convenience - look no further than our Diamond Money Market 1 or Diamond Savings Account. Both accounts offer easy ATM access to Higher Return, your money. And with a money market account, you have the added Lower Balance. availability of checks. Plus, each depositor is FDIC insured. With a 15,000 minimum.



FDIC 🏩

DESTINCTION

Or occurs the Republic Bank Office pearest so

(243) 238-3300

(313) 882-6400 (248) 737-0444



# A thousand little ways to show we care

A reassuring smile. A good ear. A kind voice. Caring has always been essential to curing, and that is especially true when it comes to our young patients. We care about children so we know how to care for them. At the University of Michigan Health Centers, we believe the only way to know your child and understand all of his or her health needs is to be in your neighborhood. It's the easiest way to help your child the most. Here's what else makes us ideal for your

- We have plenty of pediatricians, ob/gyns, family practice physicians and general internists in your community.
- Many sites offer extended hours, including Saturdays.
- We have all the services you need to stay healthy. Many locations offer laboratory tests
- If you ever need a specialist, you're already linked with the U-M Medical Center and our hundreds of experts.
- Finding the right doctor close to your home is simple, and making an appointment is easy. Just call the number below and we will help you select a physician and even schedule your first appointment.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN Health Centers 1-800-211-8181

Because world-class health care shouldn't be a world away.

Insurance For your convenience we accept most major insurance plans. including: M-CARE Blue Care Network Blue Cross / Blue Shield of Michigan: Autha Managed Care OmniCare (not available in Livingston County) Solectore lavailable in Oct 1997] 1 Medicaid Medicare And Others... Call to make sura your health plan is accepted. We re In Your Neighburtmod Call 1-800-211-8181 for

information about hours and providers.

Joseph G. Jender, M.D. & Assnc 8524 Canton Center Road.

Farmington Hills

Middlebelf Pediatrics 21000 Middlohelt Road.

Livonia Internal Medicine 17316/Farmington Road

Plymouth

Plymouth Health Center 9398 Lilley Rand