

# Next question please...

## Students get a taste of newspaper journalism



Please... Josh Koch (above) asks a question. At right, the class listens to the defense lawyer played by teacher Steve Koponen.



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Dunckel Middle School students got a taste of newspaper journalism, participating in a mock press conference Wednesday afternoon at the Farmington District school. Members of the student press corps in teacher Steve Koponen's classroom prepared for the conference on Tuesday, watching a crime video. They saw assault, auto theft and the illegal dumping of hazardous materials into a storm sewer at the fictitious Kingsly Office Building in Centre City, Michigan. A police report was also reviewed. The next day, students were able to question everybody from the local police department spokesman to victims to an official for the Environmental Protection Agency.

Koponen actually portrayed several of the interview subjects, including those of an assault victim and defense attorney.

It is expected that the students will write stories based on the press conference, where they also were given biographical sheets about characters such as assault victim Heather Herrtine, assault and auto theft victim Jane R. Meyers, Centre City Prosecutor Gertrude Pyle, defense attorney Paul V. Pharesna, EPA spokeswoman Tanna J. Smyth, Centre City General Hospital spokesman Dr. Freddy Grant and police department spokesman Sgt. Wallace Dibbs.



What? Teacher Steve Koponen fields questions from the student press corps.

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If that fails, residents can petition the city to install speed bumps. Lancaster Street as well as Kendallwood and Hearstone has the road lumps. Speed bumps are generally considered a last resort, though. The issue has split residents in another subdivision. In the LaMuera-Springland sub, 22 LaMuera-Springland residents - or 79 percent - signed a petition to put in speed bumps to slow down motorists cutting through. The city is following through putting in the deterrents, though

29 homeowners on nearby Springland Street oppose the measure. They worry the bumps will merely divert motorists down their street instead. Graf said he favors speed bumps, "only if they are effective. I can understand both sides of the situation," he added. Not all agree speeders are a major problem on Kendallwood. In the past, Farmington Hills police Traffic Division has stationed up to 10 officers to monitor the situation. "I'm sending my police officers there and they are saying that

it's just not the case," said Lt. Dennis Green, Hills Traffic Division. Still, Graf wants something done. He's concerned for children who play in the area. At Hills Councilman Terry Sever's urging, city administrators said they are willing to review the situation. "It's a pilot program: It's a test program," Graf said about the city's Safe-Te 3 effort. "They should be willing to modify their test."

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