Cable programming helps keep the electorate informed



Election day programming is not the only thing you can see on your local government channels. These channels were created by cities to give residents a chance to get involved in local government.

Now there is a special promotional pro-gram to encourage peo-ple to use their govern-

for the first time, or watch them more National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA). The idea? To promote public swareness of the televising of local city council and commission meetings. This awareness week officially runs Oct. 17-22, but the idea behind it can last all year. More than 50 communities throughout the United States will participate in this year's campaign. The organizers believed that raising awareness of the availability of televised local meetings would increase the importance of such events in residents' daily lives.

The Great City Hall Tune-In will encourage viewers to watch meetings watch on Channel 8. Stay informed for the first time, or watch them more frequently. This, in turn, will premote a higher level of involvement in local government and greater participation in local elections.

Locally, the city of Farmington Hills makes it easy to stay informed. Not only can you see the city council meetings live on Channel 8, you can participate as well. Do you have a question for your elected officials? Call in and ask them during the call-in segment of the meeting. If you missed the live version, you can see a replay at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Meetings aren't the only shows to watch on Channel 8. Stay informed

about city events by watching "Inside Farmington Hills" and "Farmington Mills Update."

Nov's Channel 13 offers residents an opportunity to view city council meetings and other commission meetings including zoning and building boards, live. Channel 13 is a great place to get all the information you need about city events and issues.

Farmington's Channel 15 is the place to find out about people and places in the community. Tune in for "Farmington Specialist for SWOCC. The next SWOCC meeting is set for 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 18, at Farmington Co.

Farmington Hills police recognize officer achievement

Recent awards and citations given out by the Farmington Hills Police Department were:

© Officer Wayne Beerbower-beet to the Shell gas station at 12 Mile and Orchard Lake roads on reports of a man threatening suicide. Officers discovered a man on the roof with razor blades clenched in his teath and pressed against his throat. Periodically, the subject would cut his wrists, drawing blood and pressed against his throat. Periodically, the subject would cut his wrists, drawing blood and pressed against his throat. Periodically, the subject would cut his wrists, drawing blood and pressed against his throat. Periodically, the subject would cut his wrists, drawing blood and pressed against his throat. Periodically, the subject would cut his wrists, drawing blood and fer about two hours, talked him into surrendering. Officer Beerbower's patience and communication skills resulted in the saving of a life, and avoided potential danger to officers who would otherwise have had to deal with the subject by force.

© Officer Sandra Shankin Citation:

On July 10, 1999, while on officer who would otherwise have had to deal with the subject to great the prevention of further felonious activity.

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On July 10, 1999, while on patrol, Officer Shankin observed a suspicious vehicle cruising an area where businesses had been burglarized. A traffic stop and subsequent investigation of the

Cofficer Dorek Tobin - Citation:
On July 22, 1999, Officer Tobin stopped a vehicle for traffic violations at Orchard Lake Road and 1-696. A consent search of the vehicle was conducted and, discovered in the purse of one of the occupants, was a loaded .45 caliber pistol and a quantity of marijuana. Further investigation determined the pistol was reported stolen in Minnessta. Officer Tobin is commended for his diligence in carrying out this investigation.

Mr. Jerry Wilson and Mr. James Mayville - Civilian Citations:

tions:
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■ Mr. Eric Wvestenberg - Civilian Citations:

On May 17, 1999 Mr. Wvestenberg observed two sus-

pects attempting to steal a vehicle from Cedarbrook Apartments, As the suspects attempted to flee on foot, both gentlemen gave chase catching and detained the suspects despite being repeatedly assaulted in the process. Mr. Wvestenberg displayed considerable detormination and courage in this incident. Their willingness to get involved prevented the theft of a vehicle and resulted in the apprehension of two felons.

■ Officer Brian Moore - Citation:

On Aug. 5, 1999, Officer Moore stopped a vehicle, which had committed two traffic offenses. Officer Moore discovered that the female driver had never acquired an operator's license. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded handgun, found under the driver's seat. Officer Moore's observation and investigation skills are duly recognized.

■ Sargeant Richard Mitchell, Officers Daniel Keller, Ronald Rogowicz and Michael Colombo, White Lake Township PD - Professional Service Awards:

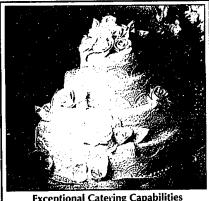
Upon notification of the death of White Lake Township Supervisor and former Farmington Hills pclice deputy chief Mirl Spencer, these officers requested to represent their department at funeral and wake services. All Department with great profesfour officers went beyond the call



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