Schornack honored





Special night: Joe Schornack and his wife, Dorie (above) thanked everyone. Schornack enjoyed the company of long-time colleagues Det. Scott Herrmann (left) and Officer Ted Warthman (right).

About 170 longtime friends and co-workers with the Farmington Public Safety Department toasted Joe Schornack on Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Finnish Center in Farmington Hills. Schornack retired last December after a 29-year career with the department, most recently as its fire marshal. He has since gone on to become Commence Township's new fire chief. At the farewell party, Farmington Public Safety Director Gary Goss presented Schornack with a plaque, commemorating his long, exemplary service to the department. Schornack also received a framed photograph signed by public safety officers, a gift certificate and was "roasted" by Hillon Hyde and Tom Cox, also retired from the department.

Joliceur leaves campaigning behind to head Farmington Area Republican party

BY RALPH R. ECHTINAW

Linda Jolicoeur, the new president of the Farmington Area Republican Club, said she is done with running for office herself and content to work behind the

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"I'm over that illness," said the 1998 candidate for county commissioner, "I like the grass roots stuff, getting people excited about our issues and our candi-

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Jolicoeur takes the reins irom Ben Marks, who in his four years as president grew the club's membership from 88 to more than 400.

Marks will stay in the leadership group as corresponding secretary, joining Vice President Robert Wyatt, Treasurer Rick Farrell and Recording Secretary Joan Grindel

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Jolicoeur said that last year's election "showed that we have a lot to do in Farmington Hills." The rapid coming and going of residents in Farmington Hills makes it difficult to grow the membership and anticipate voting patterns, she said.

said.
Jolicour hopes the club can do voter
surveys that will give members some
insight into why Farmington Hills voters
went for Al Gore over George W. Bush



last year.

Is Farmington Hills becoming more
Democratic? Or did a lot of Republican the challenge of heading up the Farmingvoters just stay home last November? Joliton Area Republican Party.

cocur wants to know.

Marks believes Republicans were complacent last year and didn't fully appreciate how far left the city drifted in the last eight years. Everybody got a wakeup call, he said. 'It takes an unexpected kick in the stomach to get you going.'

Farmington Hills is 'no longer the Republican bastion' it once was, Marks said, meaning that local Republicans' have set to work harder because we're have set to work harder because we're

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Jolicocur is also recruiting candidates for 10 vacant precinct delegate positiom in Farmington and Farmington Hills. She will make recommendations for precinct delegates to the Republican Committee of Oakland County, which does the actual appointing.

Athough Republicans are in control of almost everything at the state level, Jolicocur warns against getting cocky.

"Politics is a never-ending battle," she said. "It's not something you win today and walk away. If we want to stay in a leadership position we've got to lead."

The next big event for the club is the annual dinner 6 p.m. Friday, March 23; at the Longacre House on Farmingten Road. "At \$42.95 it sells out because we'don't serve chicken," Marks said, "just prime rib and whitefish. "This year's speaker is state Republican Party Chairman Rusty Hills. For a ticket, call Marks at (248) 477-8404. To join the Republican Club, call (248) 788-6008.

School board, city officials talk closed campus, Costick, bond projects

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The annual joint governmental meeting began with a discussion about how the cities and schools can unite to support a list of 40 developmental assets developed by the Minnesota-based Search Institute. The qualities included in the list help nurture young people into growing up "healthy, caring and responsible." (See page Al in today's Observer)

Knollenberg to discuss U.S.-Israeli issues

Israeli issues

Congressman Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township, will discuss the future of U.S. Israeli relations of a community forum set for 10 a.m. Sunday, March 4, at the Sarah and Ralph Davidson Hadassah House in West Bloomfield.

A member of the House Foreign Operations Subcommittee, Knollenberg will address the implications that the new U.S. and Israeli administrations and the changing congressional leadership bring to bear on relations between the two countries.

Knollenberg has been at the forefront of providing U.S. support for refugee resettlement in Israel and economic and military assistance to the Jewish state. He is currently serving his fifth term in the U.S. House.

Sponsored by the Jewish Community Council, Hadassah, Greater Detroit Chapter and Detroit AlPAC, the forum is free and open to the public.

Hadassah House is located at 5030 Orchard Lake Road, near West Bloomfield High School.

For information, call (248) 642-5393.

Learn more about club drugs

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"Club Drugs! Rave Parties: An Inside View" is scheduled 6-9 p.m. Wedeneday, March 14, at the Farmington Training Center the program will be moderated by Farmington Hills Folice Department Assistant Chief Chuck Nebus and Commander Pat Brown.

Presentatives from local law unforcement and fire departments, tratment centers, Drug Enforcement Agency, and medical personnel.

There will be community networking, displays and coffee. The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. The Farmington Training Center is at 33000 Thomas St., in downtown Farmington.

Later, however, all three governmental unite had the opportunity to report other-noteworthy items that affect the entire area. Some of those were as follows:

It was a crisis waiting to happen with kids, with 30 minutes first year of the program is reducing all over town," said streed and the first year of the program is rebounding from early growing pains and is now featuring good in a college union setting.

He said there have been virtually no reports of students "cutting out" at lunch. Many students and content and looper and the first substitute of the fourth and final which will be demolished to elose with the substitute ventously make way for the planned new 47th District Court facility. Brock added that the Michigan per with kids, with 30 minutes for lunch, pilling in cars and respansion of the nature center in Heritage Park.

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Hands-on teacher: Laura Sparrow teaches a class of young wastrels. To fit in, she also donned a costume.

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up," Sparrow said afterward.
"It's a personal window into
what otherwise are dry facts."
Sparrow noted that the students from three classes (either
taught by her or Michelle Harris) spent more than a month
learning about medieval times
and 'studying these personas,
learning every aspect" about
them.

Starting those efforts, students were treated to a January visit by Dlane Pauline Werble. She portrayed a Pompelan seamstress, "Diana Paulina." During the visit, "Diana" talked about what it would take to properly dress for their ancient roles, learn how to make their own tunicas and stollas and then get into character.

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from page A turbocharger on it as soon as one is available.
Customizers have long preferred V8 engines? Limpo said, but are lately realisting that small cars with small engines provide "mere fun per gallon of gas. People are realisting they can get just as much enjoyment out of a four-cylinder than a V8."
Limpo chose the Accord to customize because its minimalist design makes it "ablank canvas" for customizers. "Being a design—it don't look at cars the way most people do," Limpo said. "I look at them for what I can do next."

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Limpo founded a car club for compact customizers, Redline Motorsport Inc., two years ago and hopes to grow it into an auto salon with multiple locations around the country.
As a consummate car guy, Limpo said his ideal living situation would be in a warehouse in Detroit where he could work on his car.

To see Thomas Limpo's Honda Accord and 800 other hot rods, visit the AutoRama at Cobo Center in Detroit Feb. 23-25. Hours are 4-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25 for people up to ege 11, \$12.50 for others. Discount tickets (\$4 and \$10.50) are available at Murray's Discount Auto Stores, For Information, call (248) 650-5560.

But he's married with two children, so he located his family in a Farmington Hills town-

house.

Even so, when he and his family take a trip to the West Coast this summer, Stephanic and the kids will fly.

Limpo will drive the Accord.



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