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Brothers charged in theft

A pretrial exam is set Wednesday for two brothers charged with stealing \$500 of equipment from a Farmington Hills electric company Aug. 29.

Leonard Delano, 28, of Southfield and Dennis Delano, 26, of Livonia stood mute at their arraignment before Judge Margaret Schaefer last Saturday.

The brothers were arrested after officers watched them enter Medsker Electric, 28650 Grand River, and crawl out from under a bay door into the parking lot a half dozen times carrying equipment, Farmington Hills police said.

Confiscated from a lot in the Sunset Trailer Park, which is adjacent to the parking lot, were several chain binders and chains from Medsker Electric. The stolen property was covered with a piece of carpeting.

Two officers noticed activity in the parking lot at 1:43 a.m. and called for backup units as they watched the goings-on while crouched in a field of weeds.

"The police did a great job," said Robert Medsker, the company's owner.

He said the goods were taken from a flatbed truck parked inside the building. The huge chains are used to restrain loads on trucks, and the binders are used to tighten them.

Leonard Delano is in the Oakland County Jail on \$25,000 bond. Dennis Delano is free on \$5,000 bond.



R.S. WILSON/staff photographer

Making a comeback

Construction workers were busy at work over the weekend clearing charred beams and bent vents from the Glass Onion restaurant, which was closed by a fire early in the morning June 15. A man who

identified himself as a business partner said the restaurant will reopen in six-to-eight weeks under a new proprietor.

Good guy nominees sought

This year, as part of its annual awards program, the Farmington Beautification Committee is asking residents for help in seeking nominees for a "Good Neighbor" award. A Good Neighbor must be a resident or club or organization, not a commercial firm, business or industry. The nominee's anti-litter or beautification efforts must be within the city limits and be given on common property rather than privately owned property.

Applications are being accepted now in Farmington City Hall. Deadline for applications is Sept. 30. The new award is for recognition of beautification work done in a volunteer manner in a way that enhances an area within the city rather than an individual home, clubhouse or other commercial building.

The committee reserves the right to make the decision of award winners. Those chosen will be notified and invited to attend the annual awards program, given in late October.

TO NOMINATE a Good Neighbor, the committee requests using standard business-sized paper listing name, address and phone number of the entrant, indicating whether the nominee is a youth, adult, male or female.

The nominator is asked to give a brief description of the work done in beautification or anti-litter and indicate the specific area involved.

The nominator is asked to tell how the work was funded, how many people were involved, when the work was started and completed and what the benefits of the project were.

Entries are to be mailed to City of Farmington Beautification Committee, 23600 Liberty, Farmington 48024. They must be postmarked no later than Sept. 30.

Holiday workshops highlight Ten Mile School classes

The Farmington Ten Mile Community School is offering day and evening classes, beginning Sept. 21. Classes include:

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS:

- Door Hanging — Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1:30-3:30 p.m. Room 10, \$4. This attractive holiday door decoration can be used also as a wall hanging. Materials cost instructor \$10.50.
- Small Table Arrangement — Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Room 10, \$4. Yarrow baby's breath, cinnamon sticks and ribbon will be used with other materials to fill a unique basket that will be suitable for the holidays or winter season. Materials fee due instructor, \$9.25.
- Festive Door Wreath — Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1-3 p.m. Room 10, \$4. Students will decorate a 12-inch straw wreath incorporating a pony stick, red and white braided yarn and other materials. Materials cost due instructor, \$11.95.
- Creative Greetings — Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., Room 1, \$10. Create your own original greetings cards, holiday or friendship, with lineum block or silk screen printing. Materials fee due instructor \$2. Class meets three weeks, Oct. 15, 22, 29.
- Calico Wreath — Wednesday, Oct. 28, 10-12 a.m., Room 10, \$4. Students will choose ribbon colors to make a 10-inch decorated calico wreath. Materials fee due instructor, \$6.
- Holiday Macramé — Tuesday's, 1-3 p.m. Room 1, \$10. Create decorations, ornaments and gifts for holiday enjoyment. Knowledge of square knot helpful but not necessary. Minimal materials fee. Class meets three weeks, Oct. 13, 20, 27.
- Angel — Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., Room 10, \$6. 16-inch white wicker-look Angel will serve as a table or mantel decoration. Bring scissors, ruler and a cigarette lighter. Materials fee due instructor \$10. Class meets twice, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5.
- Bells — Thursday, Oct. 8, 1-3 p.m., Room 10, \$4. Make a pair of white wicker bells as an indoor or outdoor holiday decoration. Bring scissors, ruler and a cigarette lighter. Materials fee due instructor, \$9.

- Snowman — Wednesdays, 9:30-12 a.m., Room 10, \$7. This Snowman, complete with top hat stands 13 inches tall and is made of easy weave wicker look material. Bring scissors, ruler and a cigarette lighter. Materials fee due instructor, \$15. Class meets twice, Oct. 14 and 21.
- Pleasant Pheasant Arrangement — Wednesday, Oct. 7, 9:30-12 a.m., Room 10, \$4. Pheasant feathers, gold leaves and other materials in hues of gold and brown are used in this unique medium-sized arrangement, ideal for Thanksgiving or fall. Materials fee due instructor, \$14.

- Shape Up — Monday, 4-6 p.m., Gym, \$15; Tuesday, 10-11 a.m., Gym, \$15; Tuesday, 3:30-4:30 p.m., Gym, \$15; Thursday, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Gym, \$15; Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Gym, \$15. Have fun while improving your figure.
- Tap Dancing For Adults — Thursday, 1-2 p.m., Gym, \$15. Put a spring in your step. Learn basic tap routines.
- Women's Fitness — Tuesday, 2-3 p.m., Gym, \$15; Wednesday, 10-11 a.m., Gym, \$15; Wednesday, 4-5 p.m., Gym, \$15. Have fun while learning exercise routines for muscle tone and aerobic routines for heart conditioning. Comfortable clothing and tennis shoes.
- Yoga — Thursday, 10-12 a.m. Room 8, \$18. Build a healthier life through improved posture, breathing and relaxation. Bring a mat or rug and wear loose clothing. Anyone with a history of back complaints should consult their doctor. Eight weeks.

- Teen Aerobics-Dance-Fitness — Wednesdays, 3:15-4:15 p.m. East Middle School, \$15. For girls in grade 9-8.
- Money Mystique — Monday, 1-3 p.m., Room 10, \$10. Topics considered: stock market vs. money markets; bank interest vs. corporate bonds; whole life insurance vs. low cost pure protection. U.S. Series E bonds vs. Treasury Bonds; cash value savings vs. mutual fund investing. The importance of estate planning and how to set up a living trust to avoid the cost of probate. Four weeks.
- Microwave Cooking — Wednesday, 1-3 p.m., Kitchen, \$12, four weeks. Materials fee of \$10 due instructor at first session. Class A — Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14; Class B — Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 11, 18.

For more information call 474-5233.

Celebrities and prizes

YMCA plans Saturday open house

Tote bags, Frisbees and balloons will be part of the celebration when the Farmington YMCA hosts an open house on Saturday, Sept. 12. Program demonstrations, special prizes, membership discounts and celebrity autographs are on the agenda from noon to 5 p.m.

Dave Bing, former all-pro guard for the Detroit Pistons, former Detroit

Tiger all-star catcher Bill Freehan, during the day, the Y will conduct special demonstrations in judo, karate, fitness, gymnastics, racquetball, dynamic aerobics, handball and Indian games.

Dave Bing will start a special hot-shot free-throw contest. The Red Wings will assist in a special-scores hockey-shot contest.

Participants will be invited to tour the comprehensive facility north of 12 Mile Road. The 38,000-square-foot building has an indoor running track, double gymnasium, 45-meter pool, weight room, locker rooms, courts and program rooms.

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Orr wins state Bar award

Redford Observer editor Lynn Orr is among the winners of the State Bar of Michigan Advancement-of-Justice Awards, presented annually to Michigan news media individuals.

Ms. Orr was awarded third place in the print category of the competition for her four-part series on divorcing parents and the friend of the court system, which ran in all 12 editions of the Observer & Eccentric in April 1980.

The awards are presented to media personnel for published or broadcast work considered outstanding in the field of justice in Michigan each year. The first prize went to Taro Yamasaki, Detroit Free Press photographer, for his photo essay on Jackson Prison, which also won the Pulitzer Prize this year. A graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, Ms. Orr, 35, has been editor of the Redford Observer since June 1980. She also has



Lynn Orr worked as a copy editor and reporter for the Farmington and Flynn-outh Observers.

Benefit honors former chief

A benefit in honor of Farmington Township's former police chief, Irving Yakes, who has cancer, is planned for Sunday, Sept. 13.

Yakes, 61, of Alpena, served with the department from 1950 to 1972. He was stricken with cancer earlier this year. The Farmington Hills Police Department is sponsoring the benefit to help defray medical costs.

"He only receives \$400-a-month pension, and medical insurance (premiums) are taken from that," said Lt. Jack Brown, who was hired by Yakes 19 years ago.

Faulty light blamed in shocking mishap

A 39-year-old man visiting in Farmington Hills was electrically shocked Wednesday afternoon while using a faulty light to look under a car hood.

Eddie Collins, a Florida resident, was treated and released from Botsford General Hospital Wednesday after being shocked at 31451 Holl Road. "Apparently it was a faulty light fixture he used to work on a car. The light was held in his hand while he was inspecting a car," said Farmington Hills police officer Martin Bledsoe. He (Collins) was lucky that a brother-in-law or someone kicked the plug out of the wall," Bledsoe said.

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It's Plymouth Fall Festival Time Again!
In today's paper read all there is to know about this annual event that has become a tradition for many!