

OBITUARIES

DAVID NEAL SWEENEY
Mr. Sweeney, 50, of Farmington Hills, died Feb. 28 in Angela Hospice, Livonia.

YVOLA EVELYN THOMAS
Mrs. Thomas, 91, of Farmington died Feb. 28 in Providence Hospital, Southfield.

After seven armed robberies and one robbery try in less than two years — including one in Farmington Hills — Kyoto restaurant management is putting up a \$5,000 cash reward.

from an opened safe. A second man then wrapped her ankle and eyes in tape, before the pair fled.

They police said they aren't sure if the robberies are related. But a similar method of operation leads police to believe they're probably connected.

18, 1993, with an attempted robbery on July 12, 1993.
Troy police note that Kyoto owners and managers have taken extraordinary measures to ensure customers, employees and property are protected against future robberies.

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week.

DRUGS
Farmington Hills police arrested a Royal Oak man, 19, for drug possession Feb. 27 on southbound Orchard Lake at the westbound ramp to I-596.

THEFTS
Nickels, dimes and quarters totaling \$2,900 were reported stolen from a white 1986 Ford step van parked at AIM Vending on Crestview in Farmington Hills Feb. 27.

Two cordless phones (\$899) were missing from Mickey Shorr on Grand River in Farmington Hills Feb. 28.

A two-wheel tow dolly valued at more than \$1,000 was stolen March 2 from U Haul on Grand River in Farmington Hills.

A Howell man reported a \$850 Motorola portable phone stolen March 2 from Ruby Tuesday, on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills.

Feb. 28 by an East Middle School student who said that he left placed it in his gym bag while he was at wrestling practice.

A \$200 RCA TV was stolen March 2 from an Inkster Road residence.

A 1983 Chevy Blazer was stolen from the east parking lot at Farmington High Feb. 28. The vehicle was later recovered in Detroit.

The passenger window of a silver 1991 Lincoln Towncar parked at the Haledale Place Apartments on Haledale in Farmington Hills was smashed, causing \$250 in damage and a \$250 cellular phone was stolen Feb. 26-27.

The theft was windows of a 1993 Jeep Cherokee and a green 1994 Chevy Blazer parked at Source One on Farmington in Farmington Hills were broken (\$100 each) and the AM/FM stereos were stolen (\$200 each) Feb. 23.

The vent window was broken (\$200) on a white 1992 Jeep Cherokee parked at Delta Dental on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills. An AM/FM stereo (\$400) was stolen and the dash damaged (\$100) Feb. 28.

The vent window of a black 1993 Jeep Cherokee parked at Delta Dental on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills was broken (\$76) Feb. 28 and a \$450 Motorola cell-

ular phone was stolen. The passenger door lock was pried open (\$200) on a black and silver 1994 GMC Jimmy parked on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills and an AM/FM cassette stereo was stolen Feb. 25.

The vent window of a blue 1993 Jeep parked at the Gateway office complex on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills was smashed (\$160) and an AM/FM cassette stereo (\$200) was stolen Feb. 28.

A white 1992 Ford Tempo worth \$10,000 was stolen from the Botsford Terrace Apartments on Independence in Farmington Hills Feb. 27-28.

A \$7,000 copper 1983 Cadillac Eldorado was stolen from the lot at the Bank of America office on Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills Feb. 28.

A \$12,000 green 1991 Pontiac Grand Am was stolen from Ruby Tuesday on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Feb. 28.

A 1985 Mercury Cougar was stolen Feb. 22 from the Sunahine Acura dealership on Grand River. It was a Farmington Hills man's trade-in.

A \$25,491 Pontiac Firebird Trans Am was stolen March 2 from the dealership on Grand River.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Redford man, 32, for drunken

driving at 1:20 a.m. March 1 on westbound Eight Mile near Gill.

The driver was driving a black 1970 Ford Mustang. He had a blood alcohol level of .14 percent. A level of .1 percent is considered too drunk to drive in Michigan.

A Warren resident was arrested for drunken driving March 2 after he was observed driving eastbound on M-5 at Drake. The man was seen repeatedly driving over a speed bump that measured .24 percent. He was driving a 1984 Buick Skylark.

A 34-year-old man driving a 1985 Ford Escort March 2 was arrested for drunken driving after he was spotted driving erratically on Grand River at Hawthorne. A blood alcohol test measured .15 percent.

A Farmington Hills man was cited for drunken driving. He was found lying on the ground, after he crawled from his 1987 Dodge Charger, and was transported to Botsford Hospital. His car crashed on Orchard Lake and Folsum.

A check for \$500 written to A & M Collision on Hathaway on Feb. 7 was from a closed account.

Fenders were dented on two red 1995 Ford Escorts and on a green 1995 Ford Escort at Tom Holzer Ford on 10 Mile Feb. 27-28 causing \$1,200 in damage.

Detective: Child abuse cycle tough to break

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Child abuse, like spouse abuse, follows a cycle of violence. The two are often intertwined.

That's what members of the Farmington Hills business watch group heard from juvenile division Detective Sandy Rochford last week.

"What you see is a cycle, a pattern that is repeated over time," she said.

And although child abuse shows itself in different ways in different economic classes, it cuts across all economic and social lines.

economic groups that are not educated do not seek help they think they can't afford," she said.

And so police, along with Michigan Department of Social Services case workers usually determine if there is an abusive situation.

Rochford said that mothers are often "panicked" by the idea of losing custody of their children, leading them to cooperate.

She related a story of one live-in boyfriend who used a four-foot "butt buster" to abuse his girlfriend's two children.

"Using this won't show the signs of abuse," she said while

hoisting the intimidating wooden paddle. "He had been using it on the 10-year-old boy since he was 6."

In that case, the boy had been wetting his bed.

"When you see a kid that age who is bed-wetting, it's usually an indication of more serious problems."

Rochford said the man is being charged with third degree child abuse.

combed, there is a sloppy appearance," she said. "That's why we depend so heavily on the schools. Teachers often will recognize that something's wrong."

Rochford, who has been working on child abuse and neglect cases for the past 16 years, said after abused children are taken out of the home and into foster care, they are more often than not returned after a period of time once the parents have worked out problems.

"These problems are often deeply rooted in the history of the families," she said. "It's hard to break the cycle."

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