

police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police and fire calls received during the past week:

- GIRL INJURED**
A 7-year-old Farmington Hills girl received an electrical shock after touching a string of Christmas tree lights in her home Friday afternoon.
"The patient had a minor burn on her right hand," according to a fire department report.
Fire Lt. Peter Baldwin reminds residents to check Christmas tree lighting cords for frayed areas. He recommends not using lighting on metal trees.
He also cautions against using candles for holiday decorations without proper clearance from combustibles.
- HOSPITAL FIRE**
A fire of undetermined origin broke out in an electrical panel in a patient's room at Boistfort General Hospital early Tuesday morning.
The fire went out by itself and no one was injured, Lt. Peter Baldwin of the Farmington Hills Fire Department said.
Flames shot up the wall shortly past 6 a.m. after a therapist unplugged a piece of equipment next to a patient's bed on the second floor of the South Tower. Damage was confined to the area around the electrical panel, Baldwin said.
"The fire was out by the time we arrived," Baldwin said.
The fire was unusual in that "hospital equipment and circuitry is of very high grade — higher than in a private home," Baldwin said. "In fact, health care is the most highly regulated industry in terms of safety."
Although unsure what caused the

fire, Baldwin said oxygen was in use in the room, "which may explain why the fire occurred. An oxygen-enriched atmosphere enhances burning."

- LARCENY ALLEGED**
A security guard allegedly was in illegal possession of more than \$3,000 worth of merchandise belonging to his employer, ABC Warehouse, 2935 Orchard Lake.
Arraigned Monday before District Judge Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington, Willie James Clark stood mute to stolen property. An innocent plea was entered in his behalf. Conviction of the felony could bring a maximum penalty of five years in prison. Clark was released on \$1,000 personal bond pending a preliminary examination in 47th District Court.
Farmington Hills officers arrested the suspect about 6 p.m. Saturday at Orchard Lake and Firewood after a stockboy advised them he thought Clark, who had been told he could go home early that day, was in possession of stolen merchandise. Police report finding in Clark's car two 5-inch color TVs, two 13-inch color TVs and two VCRs — all belonging to ABC.

Investigation resulted in police finding two 5-inch color TVs, also believed to have been stolen, at Clark's residence. Those TVs are believed to have been stolen from ABC Nov. 29, police said.

- TWO ARRAIGNED**
An employee is charged with embezzlement and a customer with larceny following an incident at K mart, 37175 Grand River, about 5:30 p.m. Friday, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.
Arraigned Monday before District Judge Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington, Larry James Pettis stood mute to a single count of larceny in a building. An innocent plea was entered in his behalf. Conviction of the felony could bring a maximum penalty of up to five years in prison or a \$2,500 fine. Pettis is being held in the Oakland County Jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond pending a preliminary examination in 47th District Court.
Also arraigned Monday before Schaeffer was Sherita Jane Easton, who stood mute to a single count of embezzlement. An innocent plea was entered in her behalf. Conviction of the felony could bring a maximum penalty of up to 10 years in prison or a \$5,000 fine. She was released on \$1,000 personal bond pending a preliminary examination.

Department of Public Safety officers were called when Easton, a store cashier, allegedly sold Pettis \$238.45 worth of merchandise for \$14.94. The merchandise was confiscated and both suspects were arrested at the scene.

- TICKETS ISSUED**
Two Livestock agents were ticketed Saturday for alleged illegal possession of alcohol. The teens, ages 17 and 18, were sitting in a car parked in the lot at Putt 'n' Games, 30749 Grand River, according to a Farmington Hills police report. Police report finding two cans of beer, a pint of schnapp's and a quart of apple wine in the car.
Two Farmington Hills men — one 18, the other 20 — were ticketed Monday for allegedly violating the controlled substance act. After stopping their car for defective equipment, an officer found a suspected marijuana cigarette and suspected marijuana paraphernalia inside the car, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

On Friday, a video recorder valued at \$1,500 was reported taken during store hours from a counter where it was set up for demonstration purposes.

- SMASH AND GRAB**
A larceny and break-in were reported at World Wide TV and Appliance, 34701 Grand River, according to Farmington Department of Public Safety report.
Early Sunday morning, a reported smash and grab break-in netted an unknown amount of merchandise.
- DAMAGE REPORTED**
An estimated \$1,000 in damage was reported to a garage door on Heritage Lane sometime Nov. 29-30. Damage was allegedly done by a vehicle, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

Several theft reports were filed with local police agencies:
About \$3,000 worth of personal property was reported stolen from a house on Highview sometime Nov. 27-29. Among the property taken were rifles, shotguns, speakers, a television, a videocassette recorder, a dual tape deck, an AM-FM stereo receiver and a turntable.
A carpet steam extractor valued at \$2,500 was reported stolen from A-1

- THEFTS REPORTED**
A radar detector valued at \$225 was reported stolen from a car parked on Gateway Drive, sometime Nov. 30 or Dec. 1.
A desk telephone, a desk calculator and a clock radio were reported stolen from Children's World, 26755 Halsted, sometime Nov. 27-29.
Two radios — one valued at \$1,500, the other at \$2,000 — were reported stolen from cars parked at Bill Cook Buick, 37911 Grand River, sometime Nov. 26-29.
A radio valued at \$700 was reported stolen from a new car parked at Bob Sellers Pontiac-GMC, 38000 Grand River, Nov. 30.
A radio valued at \$700 was reported stolen from a car parked at the Holiday Inn, 38123 10 Mile, sometime Nov. 27 to Dec. 2.
A radio valued at \$800 and a T-top valued at \$400 were reported stolen from a car parked at Orchard Place Mall, 30885 Orchard Lake, Dec. 2.

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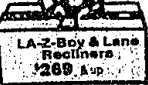
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