Solicitation is alleged at 2 Oriental health spas in Southfield



After a six-month investigation, Southfield police raided two Southfield Oriental health spas and charged five women with accesting and soliciting.

Monitor driving habits

Dec. 14-20 is National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week. The best gift you can give a friend or family member this holiday season is this bit of advice. "Don't drink can drive," so said MercyCare Immediate Care Center, Farmington Hills.

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The celebration of holiday partying, "Before you gear up to celebrate the approaching holiday season, it's important to remember that drinking and driving do not mix," warned Dr. Thomas J. Petinga Jr., medical director of the Mercy Care Immediate Care Centers, affiliated with St. Joseph Mercy Hopsita.

If you are planning a party or social gathering, Petinga shares the following precautions to ensure that guests don't overindating in al-cohol.

Serve food at your parties.

Eating helps slow the absorption of driving.

alcohol in the blood and it can also distract your guests from drinking.

Serve non-alcoholic drinks whenever possible (i.e. non-alcohol-

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A combination of 14 officers executed arrest warrants issued by the Oakland County Prosecutor's office as a result of a sk-month investigation initiated by the Southfield Police Department Investigation division vice unit. More arrests are expected as the Investigation of the County of the Page 15 of the Page 15

"We've received complaints from some people who frequented the spas," Palmquist said.
"One person complained of being accessed and another said he was overcharged on his credit card. Men were the said on the credit card. Men raided. They were interviewed but they weren't involved in any sexual activity," Palmquist said.
Shogun owner Shinn, filed suit recently in US. District Court in Detroit, after she was denied a business ilcense for her Tokyo Oriental Health Spa in Farmington Hills. The lawsuit claims the Farmington Hills ordinance is unconstitutional and names the city council and other officials in that community.

MORE THAN 60 HEALTH spas have opened in Michigan in recent years. A total of 125 women have been arrested on charges related to prostitution and illicit sex in Orien-

been arrested on charges related to prostitution and illicit sex in Oriental health spas.

In carly March, police investigators from several states and across Michigan met in Southfield to exchange information. Spas have brought alleged prostitution activities to the suburbs and appear to be tied through a loose-knit network. Speculation is that spas are linked to organized crime.

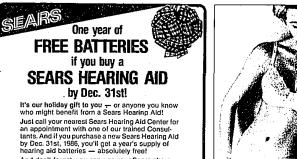
Atthough investigations into oriental health spas began with arrests on prostitution-related charges, authorities speculate that spas may be linked to Korean organized crime

and are launtering money for a Ro-rean-based crime syndicate.

When five Oriental health spas were raided in Farmington last fail, bank receipts totaling almost \$30,000 for one day were discovered

What has surfaced in investigation conducted by the FBI is that American servicemen are paid from \$3,000 to 55,000 to marry Korean girls so that they can come to America and obtain U.S. citizenship. In some castant was an expension are even paid a see. obtain U.S. citizenship. In some cases, servicemen are even pald a second sum of money for divorces, according to police.

Once in the U.S. and abandoned by their husbands, women are recruited into spas in order to make à living.



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