

## police/fire calls

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

### ● BOY KILLED

A 15-month-old boy was killed when a car backed over him in the parking lot at the Topp's Motel, 28744 Grand River, at 6:15 p.m. April 25.

Daniel T. Sawulski of Livonia was pronounced dead at 7 p.m. at Botsford General Hospital, said Sgt. Ray Cranston of the Farmington Hills Police Department Traffic Section.

The boy was struck when he wandered from a patio, where his mother had gathered with friends, into the path of a car backing away from a cabin. The car then left the motel. The driver apparently didn't see the boy, Cranston said.

The child was discovered lying in the lot soon after. The Oakland County Prosecutor's Office will determine whether warrants will be issued against the 28-year-old Redford Township driver, Cranston said.

### ● FELONY WARRANT

Farmington Hills Southfield officers assisted Detroit officers in arresting a 30-year-old man wanted for assault with intent to commit murder.

Lt. Jack Brown and Officer John Markey of the Farmington Hills Police Department assisted in the man's arrest at 7:45 p.m. April 27 at a house on Inkster near Eight Mile. The man was turned over to the Detroit Police Department, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

### ● LARCENY BY TRICK

An elderly couple was tricked out of \$20 by a man posing as a utility company employee at noon April 25, police said.

According to a Farmington Hills police report, the Halsted Road couple let in a man thought to be in his late 30s who said they had overpaid their electric bill. He gave them a \$20 bill and

asked for \$10 back. But when the woman asked for identification, he couldn't produce any. She then said he could keep the money, but told him to leave or she'd call the police. He left in a blue car in which another man was waiting.

### ● BOY STRUCK

A 7-year-old Redford boy was struck in the head with a marble in the parking lot at Silver Dairy, 32323 Grand River, April 26. It is thought the marble came from a slingshot.

The marble, which hit the boy in the back of the head, struck his grandfather's car first, so the boy "did not receive the full impact," according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

Other marbles were found in the area.

The boy reported a swelling to the head, but no further injury.

### ● WINDOW SHATTERED

Damage was estimated at \$200 when the rear window of a car parked on Orchard Lake Road was shattered with a gunshot shortly after 10 p.m. April 26.

A mother was placing her child in the car when the incident occurred, a Farmington Department of Public Safety report said.

### ● THEFTS REPORTED

A color TV valued at \$360 was reported stolen from a room at Williamsburg Convalescent Home, 21017 Middlebelt, April 17-23.

A 1987 Jeep Cherokee valued at \$20,000 was reported stolen from 260 Saks AMC Toyota, 35200 Grand River, April 23-24. It was recovered April 24 on Pickett.

A bicycle valued at \$120 was reported stolen from outside Farmington Nursing Home, 30405 Folsom, April 24.

A radar detector valued at \$200 was reported stolen from a car parked at Fung Wing Lau, 29222 Orchard Lake, April 24.

An in-dash radio valued at \$330 was reported stolen from a car parked at Fairmont Park Apartments April 24-25.

A 1979 Mercury Capri valued at \$2,000 was reported stolen from the parking lot at the Downtown Farmington Center, near the Firestone tire and service area, April 25.

Cash, baseball tickets and other items valued at \$1,550 were reported stolen from Farmington Lakes, 32315 Grand River, April 25.

Cash and a video camera valued at \$679 were reported stolen from a house on Lakeshire April 25.

A radar detector valued at \$130 was reported stolen from a car parked on Creekbed April 25.

Four Juniper shrubs valued at \$200 were reported stolen from a flower bed at an office building at 33045 Hamilton April 25-26.

Four wire wheel covers valued at \$200 were reported stolen from a car parked at Botsford General Hospital, 28550 Grand River, April 26. Jewelry valued at \$150 was re-

ported stolen from a house on Sprucewood April 26.

Tools valued at \$300 were reported stolen from a van parked along Eight Mile April 28.

### ● DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$100 when two cars parked on Marblehead had their tires slashed April 23-24.

Damage was estimated at \$150 during the attempted theft of a mobile telephone bracket from a car parked at Strawberry Lane Apartments April 24-25.

Damage was estimated at \$300 during vandalism to a car parked on Power near Cadillac April 25.

Damage was estimated at \$170 when fireworks were set off outside the front screen door of a house on St. Francis April 27.

Damage was estimated at \$500 when the tires of a car parked at J.R.'s Bar, 30859 10 Mile, were slashed April 27.

Damage was estimated at \$250 when glass in the entrance to Maple Village Drugs, 23306 Farmington, was shattered April 27 by an unknown object.

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## Burglaries probed

If you live in the Nine Mile-Halsted area of Farmington Hills, be advised: night-time burglaries are on the increase.

Meadowbrook Hills, Meadowbrook Estates and Meadowbrook Park subdivisions have been hardest hit.

"The most disturbing aspect is that a few of these burglaries have been night-time burglaries when the thief entered the house while the homeowners were sleeping," said Sgt. Charles Nebus, Farmington Hills Police Department Juvenile Section supervisor.

"In one such occurrence, a 3-year-old child was confronted by the intruder, but, fortunately, not injured or harmed."

Generally, night-time burglars look for a quiet entry. During a recent incident, entry was gained

through an unlocked door.

"Since 30-35 percent of all burglaries occur through an unlocked door, it is important you remember to lock all exterior doors and windows," Nebus said.

TO ARRANGE a free home security survey, call the police department's Crime Prevention Section at 473-9540 weekdays.

Increase security lighting and actively participate in a Neighborhood Watch group. Be on the lookout for suspicious activity. Promptly report your observations to police.

"Your police department is making every effort to reduce these incidents of burglaries, but we cannot accomplish this without the concern and awareness of residents," Nebus said.

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## on the agenda

Agenda details for government meetings scheduled this week follow. All meetings are open to the public.

City of Farmington  
Downtown Development Authority  
23500 Liberty  
5 p.m. Monday, May 4

Candidates for the position of DDA director will be interviewed during this special DDA meeting.

Farmington City Council  
Council Chambers  
23500 Liberty  
8 p.m. Monday, May 4

Bids for the city's Major Road Program will be taken tonight. Other items on the agenda for council consideration include:

- a sign variance from Milton Zussman, 30746 Grand River,
- several legislative resolutions,
- appointment to fill a vacancy for the Downtown Development Authority board,
- discussion of salt pricing,
- an amendment to the 1986-87 budget,
- the 1987 tri-party agreement,
- city financial reports.

## Ducks saved

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here every morning," said Aaron, who, with his wife, Florence, wanted to relocate the duck family to a real home in a nearby pond.

Concerned the ducklings would have nothing to eat in the swimming pool, Aaron contacted officials at the Farmington Hills City Hall. They, in turn, called the Michigan Humane Society in Westland.

At first, the mother duck wasn't too happy with the Humane Society staff, who tried to coax her from the pool with the hope her babies would follow.

But after a few threatening quacks, the mother relaxed enough to let her ducklings be edged out of the pool.

AND THANKFULLY, wherever mother went, the dozen ducklings followed. True, she began to lead her family to the closest condominium. But with the help of the Aarons and Humane Society duo, the duck family was carefully led to its new home in a pond at the front of the condo complex, on 12 Mile, west of Middlebelt.

The quacking gaggle was no surprise to the Aarons — or the Humane Society. Every spring, ducks come to the Beechwood Condominiums to nest and raise their new families, the Aarons said.

As a testament to the Farmington area's big duck population, David Blanchard of the Humane Society's Westland branch said, "Whenever we get a duck call, we know it's Farmington."

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## CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAX

Pursuant to Public Act No. 5 of 1982 and Public Act No. 43 of 1963 (2nd Ex. Sess.), the Board of Education of Clarenceville School District will conduct a public hearing on increasing property taxes for operating expenses and the proposed operating budget for 1987-88. The hearing will be held:

Thursday, May 14, 1987  
Board of Education Offices  
20210 Middlebelt  
Livonia, MI 48152  
at 7:30 p.m.

The authorized rate for operating millage in the District is 37.90 mills. Public Act No. 5 of 1982 would limit the levy to 35.47 mills. Section 31 of Article 9 of the Michigan Constitution would limit the levy to 35.14 mills.

Subject to confirmation by the electorate to authorize the millage levy without respect to the limitations of section 31 of article 9 of the Michigan Constitution at the annual election on June 8, 1987, the Board has the complete authority to levy 37.90 mills. Subject to such electorate approval, the Board of Education intends to levy 37.90 mills for operating purposes and further the Board may consider reducing the debt levy to 2.25 mills. Revenues for operating purposes from ad valorem property tax levies would be increased by 9.38%.

However, due to the present state aid formula, the increase in operating revenues from ad valorem taxes will be off set by a decrease in state aid to the School District. As a consequence, the School District's total operating revenue from these sources in 1987-1988 will increase approximately 1.30%.

Copies of the 1987-1988 budget are available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Education.

The public is invited to attend the hearing.

Dated: May 1, 1987

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Clarenceville School District  
/s/ BARRY M. SHERMAN  
Secretary of the Clarenceville  
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