

police/fire calls

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

ARSON PROBED

A maliciously set fire at a Ziebart rustproofing franchise on Eight Mile Oct. 2, the second arson there since August, caused an estimated property loss of \$25,000 to the building and contents, a police investigator said.

The estimate does not include collision and smoke damage to four cars in the bay area. The cars had been driven into each other. One also had been driven into a wall and left running, said detective Darnel Krause of the Farmington Hills Police Department.

When Farmington Department of Public Safety Officer Vince Ziegler arrived at Ziebart Protection & Appearance Services, 32418 Eight Mile, shortly past 5 a.m. Oct. 2, flames were leaping from a window and smoke was billowing from the roof, according to Farmington Hills and Farmington police reports.

"There were three different points of origin," Krause said, "in the storage room, just outside the storage room and in the office area. It was not an accidental fire under any set of circumstances."

Damage was heaviest in the storage room and in a loft above, Krause said.

No arrests have been made.

Another arson occurred at the franchise in August. A fire in a locker room shower stall caused an estimated \$3,000 in property loss before burning itself out. "It's too early to tell if the two fires are related," Krause said. "I suspect that they are although there's really no way of proving it at this point."

MARIJUANA SEIZED

Police seized marijuana with a potential street value of \$10,000 after an officer spotted plants growing in a Farmington Hills garden at 12:15 p.m. Oct. 1.

Seized were nine plants from the garden, dried marijuana hanging in a shed and narcotics paraphernalia from the house. Police plan to press

ent their evidence to the Oakland County Prosecutor's office, said Sgt. Charles Nebus of the Farmington Hills Police Department.

GUARD STRUCK

A security guard directing traffic was struck by a car in the parking lot at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt, Oct. 3.

According to a Farmington Hills police report:

After ignoring the guard's hand gesture to park in another part of the lot, a motorist inched up to her. When the guard, an 18-year-old Lincoln Park woman, placed her hand on the car and directed him to park in another area, the motorist drove past her, striking her in the knees.

The guard was not injured.

PROPERTY DAMAGED

Four incidents of malicious destruction of property were reported Oct. 3-4 on Smithfield in Farmington.

According to Farmington Department of Public Safety reports, \$700 in damage was done to five cars parked on the street during the night. The vandals used BBs to do the damage, public safety reports said.

In an unrelated incident, damage was estimated at \$150 when a rock was reported thrown through the window of a car parked at the Big Boy Restaurant, 20788 Farmington Road, Oct. 3.

TICKETS ISSUED

A 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for possessing a bag of suspected marijuana following a traffic stop at Shawwassee Oct. 3, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

A 17-year-old Redford Township man was ticketed for possessing a tray of marijuana roaches following a traffic stop on Shawwassee Oct. 4, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

CAR RECOVERED

A 1987 Oldsmobile Cutlass stolen from Detroit was found at the

Skylight Inn, 21100 Haggerty, Oct. 2, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

THEFTS REPORTED

A 1987 Buick Park Avenue valued at \$21,000 was reported stolen from Bill Cook Buick, 37011 Grand River, between Sept. 18 and Oct. 2.

A cellular telephone valued at \$1,500 was reported stolen from a 1986 Audi parked at Bill Cook Porsche Audi, 37011 Grand River, between Sept. 28 and Oct. 2.

A radar detector valued at \$245 was reported stolen from a car parked at McWilliams Machinery, 23890 Freeway Park Drive, Oct. 1.

A radar detector valued at \$150 was reported stolen from a car parked at North Farmington High School, 32900 13 Mile, Oct. 1.

A 1987 Ford Mustang valued at \$10,801 was reported stolen from the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington, Oct. 1.

A 1988 Merkur valued at \$21,500 was reported stolen from Duseau Lincoln Mercury, 31625 Grand River, Oct. 1.

A radar detector, cassette tapes and other items valued at \$750 were reported stolen from a car parked at Snap-On Tools, 23460 Industrial Park Drive, Oct. 1.

A mobile telephone valued at \$1,600 was reported stolen from a car parked at Burger King, 32704 Grand River, Oct. 1-2.

A 1986 Buick Electra valued at \$18,000 was reported stolen from Beechwood Hill Condos Oct. 1-2.

A 1987 Buick Century valued at \$10,000 was reported stolen from the Skyline Inn, 21100 Haggerty, Oct. 1-2.

About \$100 was reported stolen from India Foods & Boutique, 29008 Eight Mile, Oct. 1-2.

A leather jacket valued at \$100 was reported stolen from a car

parked on Gary Oct. 2.

A lawn mower valued at \$350 was reported stolen from a garage on Drake Heights Oct. 2.

A bicycle valued at \$95 was reported stolen from outside a house on Walden Oct. 2-3.

Four tires and rims and a radar detector valued at \$1,725 were reported stolen from a car parked at Bill Cook Audi-Buick, 37901 Grand River, Oct. 2-3.

Three prep radios valued at \$4,500 were reported stolen from a construction trailer at Northwestern Highway and Middlebelt Oct. 2-3.

About \$100 was reported stolen from the Grand River Mini Mart, 29024 Grand River, Oct. 3.

An in-dash radio valued at \$250 was reported stolen from a car parked at the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington, Oct. 3.

A 1984 Ford Tempo valued at \$3,000 was reported stolen from Congress Court Oct. 3-4. It was recovered elsewhere in Farmington Hills.

A radar detector valued at \$120 was reported stolen from a car parked on Ranchwood Oct. 3-4.

A 1986 Isuzu pickup truck was reported stolen from J.R.'s Salon, 30859 10 Mile, Oct. 4. It was recovered in Farmington.

A radar detector valued at \$120 was reported stolen from a car parked on White Hall Oct. 4.

Tools valued at \$850 were reported stolen from a car parked on Pipers Lane Oct. 5.

A moped valued at \$399 was reported stolen from a house on Longacre Oct. 5.

A radar detector valued at \$295 was reported stolen from a car parked at Mountain Jack, 24275 Sinclair Court, Oct. 5.

Golf clubs, luggage, a lawn chair and an artificial Christmas tree valued at \$750 were reported stolen from a storage shed at Independence Green Apartments Oct. 5.

Scrap metal converters valued at \$375 were reported stolen from a

driveway on Essex Oct. 5-6.

Two state flags valued at \$500 were reported stolen from outside Cadillac Insurance, 31155 Northwestern Highway, Oct. 5-6.

An equalizer and a CB valued at \$330 were reported stolen from a car parked at North Farmington High School, 32900 13 Mile, Oct. 6.

DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$20 when a hallway bulletin board was burned at Harrison High School, 29995 12 Mile, Oct. 1.

Damage was estimated at \$100

during an attempted break-in at Papa's Pizza Parlor, 29008 Eight Mile, Oct. 2-3.

Damage was estimated at \$300 when a window of a Jeep parked on Gettysburg was shot out Oct. 3-4.

Damage was estimated at \$175 when an electric power cable was sliced at a house on Briarcrest Knoll Oct. 3-5.

Damage was estimated at \$300 when a windshield of a cement truck parked at a construction site on Haggerty and 13 Mile was shattered Oct. 4.

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