

## police/fire calls

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

### STRUCTURE FIRES

Damage was estimated at \$500 when smoke developed during the attempted thawing of an outside-wall water pipe at Harvest Temple Worship Center, 25275 Power. The incident occurred about 1:30 a.m. Jan. 6, according to a Farmington Hills Fire Department report.

Damage was estimated at \$500 when workers trying to thaw frozen pipes caught insulation on fire under a house on Schroeder at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 7. The workers extinguished the fire with dry chemicals, according to a Farmington Hills Fire Department report.

### BREAK-INS LINKED

Farmington public safety officials are investigating three residential break-ins last week, which they believe are connected.

Two occurred on Jan. 5, on Hawthorne and Floral, in which \$5,300 in jewelry, a video recorder and other items were reported taken. The other occurred Jan. 7 when an as yet undetermined amount was taken from a house on Power, according to Farmington Department of Public Safety reports.

### INDECENT EXPOSURE

A woman reported a case of indecent exposure in the parking lot of the K mart, 37175 Grand River, Jan. 2, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

The man drove near the woman and shouted, getting her attention before standing up in his car and exposing himself, according to the report.

### THEFTS REPORTED

A color TV, a VHS, a VCR, jewelry, money, two bicycles, a leather purse, vases, figurines, stuffed animals and hedge clippers valued at \$3,265 were reported stolen from a house on Bella Vista Jan. 1-7. An in-dash radio valued at \$300 was reported stolen from a car parked on Northmont Jan. 2-3.

A radar detector and clothing valued at \$350 were reported stolen from a car parked at Greenhill Apartments Jan. 4-5.

A 1987 Dodge 600 valued at \$12,000 was reported stolen from the

## Police veteran is promoted

Sgt. Dennis Green, a 13-year department veteran, was promoted to supervisor of the Farmington Hills Police Department's Juvenile/Crime Prevention Section, effective today.



Sgt. Green

"I feel Dennis has the expertise and the education to serve in the position, which, in my eyes, is a very important position," said Chief William Dwyer.

The department provides many crime prevention programs and services. And juvenile-related problems are on the upswing, both locally and throughout the state, Dwyer said.

The Juvenile/Crime Prevention Section also investigates all sexual assaults. "A majority of them are

between people related or acquainted," Dwyer said.

It's the most sensitive type of crime the department investigates. And it's the most vicious next to murder, he added. "Investigating officers must be very sensitive to that."

GREEN MAJORED in criminal justice in earning an associate's degree from Oakland Community College, a bachelor's degree from Madonna College and a master's degree from the University of Detroit.

Since joining the department in 1973, Green has worked as a patrolman and as a Special Patrol Operational Team (SPOT) undercover officer. He served four years on the Oakland County Organized Crime Task Force.

He has advanced police training in a variety of areas and has earned many commendation letters and department citations.

Red Roof Inn, 23400 Sinclair Court, Jan. 5.

A 1987 Cadillac valued at \$20,000 was reported stolen from Kendallwood Apartments Jan. 5-6.

A radar detector valued at \$295 was reported stolen from a car parked at Villa Nova Apartments Jan. 5-6.

A VCR, a telephone answering machine and two fur coats valued at \$9,100 were reported stolen from Farmington Square Condos Jan. 8.

A generator valued at \$900 was reported stolen from a construction trailer at Michigan National Bank, 27777 Inkster, Jan. 6.

A VCR valued at \$800 was reported

stolen from a house on Albion Jan. 7.

### DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$50 when the glass covering a class picture at Farmington High School, 32000 Shilawasee, was broken Jan. 4. An 18-year-old Farmington man was ticketed for malicious destruction of property, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

Damage was estimated at \$250 during the attempted theft of a 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass from Bob Saks Oldsmobile, 35300 Grand River, Jan. 6-7.

# Northwestern

## Board bypasses bid to tell state no

By Carolyn Germain  
staff writer

West Bloomfield Township Board members won't be telling the state they flat out don't want Northwestern Highway extended.

The board refused to send a letter drafted by treasurer Dorothy McIntosh to the Michigan Department of Transportation saying the board was against the extension of Northwestern — as a highway, parkway or boulevard.

Instead, trustees stood by an earlier letter that left open the possibility that the township might go along with a parkway.

That letter was sent Dec. 28 to the state from township planning director Thomas Bird. In it, he suggested that the board's Nov. 2 vote against the Northwestern Highway extension should not be viewed as a rejection of the parkway concept through the area, discussed at a later meeting.

"My only concern is that what we are doing is flip-flopping," said trustee Dennis Vatis. "If it is confusing us, and we run the township it must be completely confusing to the citizens. I think we should let sleeping dogs lie. The issue is dead, leave it at that."

MCINTOSH'S REJECTED letter also said the board wants to widen Maple Road and make it into a boulevard between Orchard Lake Road and Haggerty Road, make Haggerty Road a parkway and build exits off Interstate 696 onto Haggerty and Drake roads.

"We should be clarifying that we want improvements on Haggerty and Maple roads and I-696 exits on Haggerty and Drake Roads," McIn-

toosh said. "MDOT is going to think we don't have our act together and don't want anything."

The township board has voted twice in the past against a Northwestern extension, including the deletion of the highway from the township master plan and development of housing within the proposed right-of-way. The latest vote, 4-2 with township Supervisor John Deberry absent, was on Nov. 2.

At the Dec. 21 board meeting, Rep. David M. Honigman, R-West Bloomfield, said, in a letter, that MDOT had not been told of the board's latest resolution, although Bird had been directed to do so. Bird then sent a letter to MDOT on Dec. 28, which said, in part, "the resolution of Nov. 2, 1987, should not be viewed as a rejection of the parkway concept which was discussed on Nov. 30, 1987."

IT WAS at the Nov. 30 meeting that a parkway through Section 34 connecting to a Maple Road parkway was suggested as a possible so-

lution to traffic problems. The meeting was attended by representatives of MDOT, the Oakland County Road Commission and the township board and planning commission regarding traffic problems in the township.

In his letter Bird said this idea was "substantially different from the previous Northwestern extension of a depressed highway, grade separations at the mile roads and urban freeway right-of-way widths."

A follow up to the joint meeting will be held on Jan. 25 at Fire Station No. 1.

"I hope they will bring back what needs to be done and what it will cost," said township clerk Betty Sue Dupree. "We have to address the problems that face this community, popular or not."

Trustee Jeffrey Leib, who has voted against any extension, said, "I am opposed and will be opposed to an extension of Northwestern Highway. I am not opposed to a network going through there to relieve traffic on Orchard Lake Road."

## Faxon sponsors tobacco bill

State Sen. Jack Faxon D-Farmington Hills, sponsor of a bill to ban free tobacco distribution in public places, will host a press conference Wednesday in Lansing.

The intent of the bill is to prevent tobacco products from being given to people, especially young people, who are too often the recipient of samples in spite of an existing law forbidding distribution to anyone under 21 years of age.

Nathaniel Rowe, professor of oral pathology and pathology, Schools of

Dentistry and Medicine, University of Michigan, and an expert on the health effects of tobacco use, will moderate the press conference.

The Michigan Coalition on Smoking or Health, press conference sponsor, feels that distributing tobacco products to minors at rock concerts is an attempt to replace "lost smokers" — those who quit or die.

The coalition strongly backs Faxon's proposed legislation and similar legislation being simultaneously introduced in 20 other states this week.

## on the agenda

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

Farmington Hills City Council  
City Council Chambers  
31555 11 Mile

7:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11  
The council will consider a request for the historic district commission to prepare a report on the possibility of putting the Spier Estate House in the city's historic district. Uses for the estate house would be included in the report.

Also to be considered are a series of ordinance enactments:

- Rezoning from RA-1 (one-family residential) to RC-1 (multiple family residential, cluster) at 35140 Freedom Road, between Drake and Gull roads.
- Rezoning from RA-1 (one-family residential) to OS-1 (office service) on the south side of 14 Mile, east of Farmington Road.
- Rezoning from RA-1 (one-family residential) to OS-1 (office service) on the south side of 14 Mile, east of Farmington. Proponent: City of Farmington Hills. Owner: J. Robert Langan.

Council also will consider enact-

ment of a set of rules for city parks, as well as approval of a resolution for participation with the state and county in an anti-drug project.

Farmington Planning Commission  
City Council Chambers  
23600 Liberty  
8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11

A public hearing on amendments to the Zoning Ordinances is scheduled for this evening. Also on the agenda are two site plan reviews — one for a storage garage at 33321 Oakland by proponent Walter Sundquist and one for a cluster housing

development on Arundel Street by Frank Millo.

Farmington Board of Education  
Lewis Schulman Adm. Center  
32500 Shilawasee  
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12

This is the board's general monthly business meeting. To be considered are items on the consent agenda, which include a gift from the AAUW, issuance of diplomas and personnel items. Also on the agenda is an informational update from the superintendent, consideration of purchase of an offset press for the print shop at Farmington High and the purchase of bus chassis.

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## BRIDAL SEMINAR

Thursday, January 14,  
7 p.m., Lounge, Livonia

During our Bridal Seminar, you will be invited to meet our Bridal Consultant. Select fashions for you and your wedding party. List your gift preferences. Make jewelry and stationery selections. And, review our special hair, skin, and makeup services. By reservation only. 591-7696, extension 233.

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