

police/fire calls

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

OFFICER HURT

A Farmington Hills police officer was hurt when his unmarked patrol car was struck in a hit-and-run incident Jan. 9.

Officer David Luoma was treated for back pain at Providence Hospital following the 12:15 a.m. incident at Stocker and Flanders.

Luoma and officer Gil Kohls arrested a suspect at Eight Mile and Collin after, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

MARIJUANA SEIZED

Five baggies of marijuana were confiscated from the pocket of a coat hanging in the locker of a 13-year-old student at Power Middle School, 34740 Rhinowood, Jan. 11, police said.

After learning the student might have marijuana in his locker, principal Robert Brown and assistant principal Burt Burton ordered the student to open his locker. The confiscated leafy substance field-tested positive as marijuana.

An Oakland County Probate Court Juvenile Division petition, charging the student with possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance, will be filed against the student, said Lt. Richard Murphy of the Farmington Hills Police Department.

CLERK THREATENED

A man who took a cardboard box containing 35 cartons of cigarettes from the counter threatened a clerk with what appeared to be a handgun when she tried to stop him outside the Mid-9 Market, 22200 Middlebelt, Jan. 11.

No one was hurt. The man was thought to be in his 20s. The cigarettes were valued at \$400, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

BOTTLE THROWN

Damage was estimated at \$200 when a back-seat passenger threw a beer bottle from a car and it dented and scratched the passenger door of a northbound car on Haggerty near 19 Mile Jan. 8, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

CARS STOLEN

Two cars were reported stolen from the parking lot at Drakeville Apartments Jan. 10-11, according to Farmington Department of Public Safety reports.

One was a 1987 Buick LaSabre valued at \$15,000 and the other was a 1986 Oldsmobile Regency.

TICKETS ISSUED

An 18-year-old and two 17-year-olds, all from Farmington Hills, were ticketed for possessing beer in a motor vehicle following a traffic stop on Orchard Lake Road near 12 Mile Jan. 8, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

Two 25-year-olds, one from Birmingham and the other from Bloomfield Hills, were ticketed for possessing narcotics paraphernalia when two pipes, one pipe stem and two plastic film containers, all containing marijuana, were found in their car following a traffic stop at Orchard Lake Road and Ludden Jan. 8, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

Two Farmington Hills men, one, 19, and the other, 16, were ticketed for loitering on school property when they were found sitting in a car at 10 p.m. outside Larkshire Elementary, 23800 Tuck, Jan. 8, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

Two 17-year-olds, one from Redford Township and the other from Livonia, were ticketed for possessing beer in a motor vehicle following a traffic stop on Grand River near Eight Mile Jan. 9, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

THEFTS REPORTED

A radar detector valued at \$295 was reported stolen from a car parked at Mulwood Apartments between Dec. 23 and Jan. 5.

A chainsaw and a toolbox valued at \$300 were reported stolen from a garage on Doherty Dec. 27-30.

A vibrating heated recliner valued at \$1,350 was reported stolen from a storage bin at Independence Green Apartments Jan. 1-10.

An in-dash radio valued at \$350 was reported stolen from a car parked at Greenhill Apartments Jan. 5-9.

Golf clubs valued at \$280 were reported stolen from a house on Stocker Jan. 7.

Tools, electronic gear, computer equipment and money valued at \$36,500 were reported stolen from Electric Service Corp. and DBW Electrical Contractors, 23425 Industrial Park Court, Jan. 7-8.

A VCR and jewelry valued at \$10,300 was reported stolen from a house on Highmeadow Jan. 7-9.

A 1989 Ford Bronco valued at \$4,000 was reported stolen from Cedaridge Apartments Jan. 8.

A VCR, a purse and a gym bag valued at \$380 were reported stolen from a house on N. Stockton Jan. 8.

Jewelry and a VHS valued at \$3,200 were reported stolen from a house on Lochmoor Jan. 8.

Two hubcaps valued at \$200 were reported stolen from a car parked at Motorola, 23920 Freeway Park Drive, Jan. 8.

A VCR, jewelry and a clock valued at \$1,175 were reported stolen from a house on Eastbrook Court Jan. 9.

A revolver, a VCR and jewelry valued at \$1,470 were reported stolen from a house on Brookhill Jan. 9-10.

Tools valued at \$1,000 were reported stolen from construction sheds at the Michigan National Bank, 27771 Inter, Jan. 9-11.

A revolver, silverware, a radio, jewelry, a movie projector and other items of undetermined value were reported stolen from a house on Baytree Jan. 10.

A mobile telephone valued at \$2,200 was reported stolen from a car parked at the International Business Center, 31800 Northwestern Highway, Jan. 11.

A VCR, jewelry and camera equipment valued at \$2,050 were reported stolen from a house on Wellington Jan. 11.

A purse and its contents valued at \$185 were reported stolen from a house on Meadowhill Jan. 11-12.

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Former councilman Wolf to head Kemp campaign

U.S. Rep. Jack Kemp, a contender for the 1992 Republican presidential nomination, named Donn Wolf of Farmington Hills co-chairman for Michigan Kemp for President campaign.

Wolf will be joined by 4-5 other co-chairs. "It's pretty well divided up on geographic lines," said the newly named president of the Farmington Area Republican Club.

Before being named a state co-chair, Wolf served as the 18th Congressional District chairman of the Kemp campaign. He will continue to oversee the activities of the campaign in that area.

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land County chairman of the Reagan-Bush '84 campaign committee, and has served on the Michigan Republican State Committee. He is also a former two-term councilman and mayor of Farmington Hills.

Wolf currently serves as the 18th District chairman of Citizens for America and is the author of two books, "Action Politics" and "Work-ing Politics." He has also served as

the national recruitment chairman of the National Association of Republican Mayors and Local Elected Officials.

As a state co-chairman, Wolf will be instrumental in devising strategy for the Republican county and district conventions to be held Jan. 14. "On Thursday, precinct delegates will elect delegates to the state convention that will be Jan. 29," Wolf said. "It's important because the state convention delegates will elect the national convention delegates. Delegates must declare which candidate they are for."

Wolf will serve as a leader at the Michigan Republican State Convention to be held in Grand Rapids Jan. 29-30, where 77 delegates will be elected to the Republican National Convention in New Orleans.

Tips to aid child's reading

With the rush of the holidays over and the winter months ahead, children will be looking for activities to occupy their time. Reading is an excellent choice.

Parents have great influence on their children's reading and learning ability.

"Because of this influence, we need to direct our children's activities toward reading whenever possible. Reading improves thinking and listening skills; it improves the ability to draw conclusions, to solve problems, and to make decisions," says Vivienne Manwaring, director of the Huntington Learning Center in Farmington Hills.

To help your child value reading, begin reading to him or her at an early age. Tell stories or sing as often as possible and encourage your

child to do likewise. In this way, you are teaching many skills, including listening skills and the ability to memorize.

Set aside time to read to your child. This time may be difficult to find, so be sure not to miss opportunities such as when traveling or waiting for an appointment.

In addition, set aside a place to read. Have a shelf full of books or magazines nearby. Books make wonderful gifts. Manwaring suggests that all children, regardless of age, enjoy having their own subscription to a magazine or book club.

"It makes them more responsible and aware of the importance of reading materials," she said.

SCHEDULE READING into your child's day, planning frequent trips

to the library. Take younger children to the weekly story hour at your library. Older children may enjoy the use of the library's computer, if it has one. Use of the computer may encourage reading about computer hardware or programming.

Another suggestion from the Huntington Learning Center is take your child to plays whenever possible. Begin at an early age (even age 3), and continue till they are old enough to take you to plays.

When you read with your child, always ask questions about the characters. For example, attempt to have discussion about the feelings of the characters. Relate the characters to your family or to recent events. Ask your child how she or he would have ended the story.

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