

police/fire calls

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

STRAY BULLET

A 25-year-old woman sitting in front of her apartment at Farmington Plaza July 1 narrowly missed being hit by a stray bullet.

The woman was sitting on a second-story walkway with her young child when something hit her arm and caused cuts at 7 p.m.

It turned out to be fragments of an aluminum door frame through which a shell fired from a high-powered rifle passed.

A 26-year-old Detroit man visiting a friend in a nearby apartment took the gun from where it was hanging on a wall, worked the action and pulled the trigger. The 30-30 shell passed through a television set, a piece of furniture, then through the door frame. It was never recovered.

The man was ticketed for unlawful discharge of a firearm, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

SUSPECTS NABBED

Two Livonia teenagers face felony charges in connection with the burglary of a car parked in a Farmington Hills driveway July 4.

Arrested Tuesday before Magistrate James Brady of Farmington, an 18-year-old man pleaded not

guilty and a 17-year-old man stood mute to charges of breaking and entering of an automobile with intent to steal property over \$5, a felony punishable upon conviction by up to five years in prison. The 18-year-old also was charged with failing to obey a police officer's signal, a misdemeanor punishable upon conviction by up to one year in jail.

Innocent pleas were entered. Cash/surety bond was set at \$2,500 for each pending a preliminary exam in 47th District Court.

According to police Sgt. Charles Nebus, a resident of the Meadowhill-Klarr area of southwest Farmington Hills saw a car, without headlights, cruising his subdivision at 12:40 a.m. July 4.

The resident then saw a man inside a car parked in a nearby driveway take a pair of sunglasses and a dash-mounted compass. When confronted, the man ran to a nearby waiting car occupied by another man.

By this time, the police had been called. As the car left the subdivision, Farmington Hills officer Charles Rozum spotted it. When he tried to stop it by activating his overhead lights, the driver sped away.

The pursuit ended in a Livonia subdivision near Six Mile and Haggerty when the car struck a Farmington Hills patrol car and a parked car. One occupant was arrested immediately. Another was arrested af-

ter he was found hiding under a nearby deck.

Livonia police assisted Rozum and Hills officer Gilbert Kohls in nabbing the suspects.

The property believed stolen was recovered, Nebus said.

THEFTS REPORTED

Shrubs, sod and trees valued at \$700 were reported stolen from Brookside Medical Center, 21111 Middlebelt, between April 1 and July 1.

Jewelry valued at \$3,900 was reported stolen from a house on Newcastle between April 1 and July 1.

Jewelry valued at \$13,000 was reported stolen from a house on Banockburn between June 19 and July 1.

Personal items valued at \$900 were reported stolen from residents at Oak Hill Care Center, 34225 Grand River, June 26-29.

A bicycle valued at \$150 was reported stolen from Farmington Hills School, 32000 Shawnee, June 26.

About \$120 was reported stolen from a house on Lake Park Drive June 29.

A 1985 Chevrolet Camaro valued at \$10,000 was reported stolen from

Amerisure, 27555 Farmington, June 30.

Tools, a cellular telephone and a radar detector valued at \$1,200 were reported stolen from a car parked on Valley Forge July 1.

A motorcycle valued at \$200 was reported stolen from a yard on Albion July 1-2.

Two cars — a 1988 Pontiac 6000 valued at \$12,000 and a 1988 Pontiac Grand-Am valued at \$15,000 — were reported stolen from Gateway Apartments July 1-2.

About \$120 was reported stolen from a house on Fiddlers Green July 2.

TICKETS ISSUED

A 25-year-old Novi man and a 31-year-old Oak Park woman were ticketed for possessing marijuana after two baggies of marijuana were found in their car during a traffic stop on Northwestern Highway near 14 Mile July 1.

A 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for open burning when a bonfire was discovered behind a house on Harlowshire July 1.

A 32-year-old Detroit man was ticketed for violating the controlled substance act when a container with

marijuana was found in his car during a traffic stop on Eight Mile near Inkster July 1.

A 35-year-old Redford Township man and a 27-year-old Farmington Hills man were ticketed for open intoxicants in a motor vehicle when open beer was found in their car during a traffic stop on Grand River at Mayfield July 2.

A 50-year-old Farmington Manor Apartments resident was ticketed for barbecuing steaks on a first-level balcony barbecue only three feet from a building and directly un-

der the second-level balcony July 2. City ordinance requires eight feet of clearance between a grill and a building.

A 32-year-old Westland man was ticketed for Sunday construction, violating city ordinance, when he was seen installing drywall at a house on Fox Club Drive July 3.

DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$400 during the attempted theft of a 1988 Chevrolet Camaro from Cordoba Apartments July 2.

10 receive diplomas from adult education

Ten students graduated last month from the Farmington school district's adult education program. Ceremonies were held at Farmington High School.

Superintendent Graham Lewis congratulated the class for its achievement and dedication to learning. Board president Helen Ditzhary and Pam O'Malley, director of school and community relations, presented diplomas to the students.

Graduates included: Michelle Cornfield, Charlotte Firlik, Craig Gaydos, Sheila Jensen, Nirmala Purohit, Kimberly Rozumski, Bonnie Shank, Leslie Smith, Buckley Steele and Christopher Watkins.

Ceremonies included music selections from Jim Whitten and the Farmington Community Chorus. Greetings were extended by Terry

Klenczar, adult education supervisor for the district. Buckley Steele gave the student response on behalf of the graduating class, encouraging other adults to return to school and earn their diplomas.

A reception followed the ceremony, giving students an opportunity to share stories of achievement and sacrifice with family and friends. Many of the graduates will continue their educations.

The Farmington Adult Education Program offers classes Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10:15 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Baby-sitting is available for a nominal cost. The new schedule of fall classes will be available in late August.

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