

police/fire calls

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

● FIREFIGHTER OVERCOME

A Farmington Hills firefighter suffered heat exhaustion while fighting a field fire near Nine Mile and Halsted at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

It was 100 degrees at the time. Firefighter Frank Arbour was dressed in protective firefighting equipment.

Arbour was taken to the Suburban Medical Center in Farmington Hills, where he was treated for dizziness and released to full duty, according to a Farmington Hills Fire Department report.

● SMOKY ENCOUNTER

A malfunction caused cooling oil to overheat, touching off a fire in an industrial furnace at Specialty Steel Treating, 20723 Sunnydale, July 2. "It was an accidental fire," Deputy Fire Chief Peter Baldwin of Farmington Hills said.

When Farmington Hills and Farmington firefighters arrived at 7:45 p.m., they found heavy, black smoke coming from the roof and door openings of the 20,000-square-foot block building. Firefighters used foam and water to extinguish the fire, confined to a steel heat processing furnace at the building's west end, Baldwin said.

A damage estimate was not available. Flame damage was confined to

the furnace. There was heat damage to the surrounding area of the machine shop and smoke damage throughout the building.

● FIRE CONCERNS

Farmington public safety officials are keeping a wary eye on the weather, which continues to heat up and heighten the threat of fires. Just last week, three field fires were reported in the city.

The evening of July 5, officials believe a discarded cigarette may have caused a fire at the M-102 freeway's Nine Mile exit ramp. Another fire in a guardrail at the same location was reported the next morning.

Later July 6, melted Detroit Edison insulator fell to the ground on school property near Farmington High School, causing a third field fire.

All three were extinguished without further incident.

● SHOT FIRED

A 29-year-old Detroit woman traveling through Farmington was apparently shot at the morning of July 2, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report.

The woman was eastbound on Grand River near Brittain Hill when she heard a noise. A bullet hole was discovered in her car roof, a spent casing in her back seat, according to a public safety report.

● THEFTS REPORTED

VCRs valued at \$720 were report-

ed stolen from four guest rooms at the Holiday Inn of Farmington Hills, 3823 10 Mile, July 1-5.

A VCR was reported stolen from Video Enterprises, 30903 Northwestern Highway, July 1-6.

Boat parts valued at \$2,600 were reported stolen from a boat parked in a driveway on Parker July 2-6.

A 1987 Pontiac Trans-Am valued at \$20,000 was reported stolen from Little Caesar Enterprises, 23623 Industrial Park Drive, July 5.

A purse and its contents valued at \$515 was reported stolen from an apartment on Shlawassee during a break-in July 5-6. It was recovered on Nine Mile.

A 1985 Pontiac Fiero valued at \$12,000 was reported stolen from Country Ridge Apartments July 6-7.

A 1988 LeBaron valued at \$20,000 was reported stolen from Farmington Hills Chrysler Plymouth, 20301 Grand River, July 7.

● TICKETS ISSUED

An 18-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for loitering on school property after he was confronted at Kenbrook Elementary, 32130 Bonnet Hill, at 11:20 p.m. July 20.

● DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$400 when Boston Ivy plants clinging to the side of a garage at a house on Bannockburn were pulled from the roots June 27-28.

Damage was estimated at \$500 when a firecracker apparently blew up inside a mailbox in cement housing in front of a house on Lyncrest July 6.

obituaries

DOROTHY M. POLIUTO

Mrs. Poliuto, 70, of Farmington Hills died June 28 in William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

Born in Imlay City, Mich., Mrs. Poliuto was a baker for the Southfield School system.

Survivors include her husband, Angelo; son, Joseph Danny; a daughter,

Judy Getchell; sister, LaNorma Hill; five grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated at St. Gerald Catholic Church, Farmington, with the Rev. Gerald McEhili officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

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