

police/fire calls

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

● CAT BURGLAR

A cat burglar left with cash and a car after breaking into a unit at Green Hill Apartments while two residents were asleep early Saturday.

According to a Farmington Hills police report, the burglar pushed open a door at ground level, went by a sleeping teenager and took a shoulder bag and a handbag from the living room. The young man's father was asleep upstairs.

The shoulder bag contained money and the keys to a 1987 Ford Tempo parked in a carport. The car, which had been locked, was discovered missing at 6 a.m. Saturday.

It was recovered later that day at the Farmington Tennis Club, 2777 Farmington Road, by Farmington public safety officers. The car's front end was damaged.

● 2 NABBED

Two Detroit residents, one a juvenile, face felony charges in connection with the theft of a 1988 Mercury

Merkur from Bob Dusseau Inc., 31525 Grand River in Farmington, Friday.

Arraigned Saturday before District Judge Michael Hand of Farmington, the 21-year-old man pleaded not guilty to receiving and concealing stolen property over \$100. Cash or surety bond was set at \$5,000 pending a preliminary exam in 47th District Court. The man faces up to five years in prison if convicted.

An Oakland County Probate Court juvenile division petition charging the same offense was filed against the 16-year-old boy, police said.

According to Farmington and Farmington Hills police reports, officers arrested the two suspects after receiving a description of a car believed stolen from Dusseau's at 10:45 p.m.

Ten minutes later, officers spotted a car matching the description of the Eight Mile and Middlebelt. When the occupants spotted a police car, they stopped in a gas station, ditched the \$20,000 car and scaled a brick wall into a wooded area.

Hills officer William Maffesoli arrested the man at 11:45 p.m. at Eight

Mile and Pearl. Maffesoli and Hills officer Glenn Branley arrested the boy 16 minutes later at Grand River and Middlebelt.

There was no damage to the car. Also last weekend, a stereo system valued at \$1,000 was reported stolen from a car on the Dusseau lot.

● DRUG CHARGES

A 29-year-old West Bloomfield man faces felony and misdemeanor charges in connection with the discovery of cocaine and marijuana in his possession Saturday, police said.

Arraigned Saturday before District Judge Michael Hand of Farmington, the man pleaded not guilty to one felony count of possessing a controlled substance and one misdemeanor count of possessing marijuana.

Cash or surety bond was set at \$10,000 pending a preliminary exam in 47th District Court. Conviction could bring a penalty of up to four years in prison on the felony charge and one year in jail on the misdemeanor charge.

The charges stem from the discovery of two baggies of cocaine and one baggie of marijuana in a car at Franklin Hills Country Club, 31575

Inkster, at 4:50 a.m. Aug. 27, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● GARAGE FIRE

Damage was estimated at \$30,000 when a deliberately set fire destroyed a detached garage behind a house on the 35300 block of Fendit Sunday morning.

The garage was used to store shingles, gutters, downspouts, a propane tank and other roofing materials. A Hi-Lo was parked inside. The flames were under control within 10 minutes, said investigator Kevin Bersche of the Farmington Hills Fire Department.

"We found no natural cause," Bersche said.

The owner reported hearing a bang at 7:20 a.m., then seeing flames and thick black smoke rising from the garage.

No one was hurt as a result of the blaze. The Farmington Department of Public Safety assisted in fighting the fire.

● MOLOTOV COCKTAIL

A Molotov cocktail in the form of a gas-soaked sock was found burning near a broken bottle on the road near a residence on Lytle at 12:20 a.m. Aug. 29.

A car was seen cruising a nearby parking lot shortly before a resident in the area heard the sound of breaking glass, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● CAR RECOVERED

A Mercury worth \$17,000 that had been reported stolen from Novi was recovered at Garden Court Apartments, Aug. 26, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● LARCENY BY TRICK

A clerk at the Dought Depot, 30703 12 Mile, was tricked out of \$20 during a transaction with a customer Aug. 28.

A man made a purchase for 65 cents and handed the clerk a \$10 bill. He then asked for the \$10 back and gave the clerk a \$1 bill, asking for

change. The two then again exchanged bills, confusing the clerk. Later, \$20 was discovered missing, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● THEFTS REPORTED

A waterbed mattress valued at \$125 was reported stolen from the yard of a house on the 28700 block of 10 Mile Aug. 24.

A stereo system valued at \$500 was reported stolen from a car parked on Oakland Aug. 24-25.

A state flag valued at \$200 was reported stolen from a flagpole outside Neyer Tisco & Hinds Ltd., 35955 Hills Tech Drive, Aug. 25-26.

A VCR was reported stolen from a house on the 34000 block of Freedom Aug. 26.

A purse and its contents valued at \$73 was reported stolen from a car at Shawassee Park Aug. 26.

A microwave oven, a teapot, an answering machine, a tape deck, a calculator and stereo equipment valued at \$2,500 were reported stolen from a house on the 34000 block of Shawassee Aug. 26-27.

Jewelry valued at \$7,650 was reported stolen from a house on S. Stockton Aug. 26-28.

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Execution-style slaying still has police baffled

Detectives continue to seek tips in their investigation of the execution-style slaying of a Farmington Hills man whose body was found at an old riding stable in Macomb County Aug. 16.

"We need a good solid lead, something that's going to stand up," said Lt. Dan Mentzer of the Macomb County Sheriff's Department.

Shahpour Tavangar, 28, an Iranian living in the United States as a legal alien, was shot in the head and died of gunshot wounds.

His body was found at 6:45 a.m. Aug. 16 on the Washington Township grounds of the former Green Acres riding stable, 31551 26 Mile, west of Van Dyke. He had been dead for six to eight hours.

Mentzer urges anyone with information about the shooting to call the Macomb County Sheriff's De-



Shahpour Tavangar shooting victim

partment at 466-8700 weekdays; 469-5151 nights and weekends.

DETECTIVES WOULD not dis-

cuss a potential motive. They said it was not clear if the murder was drug related, politically motivated or a case of befriending the wrong person.

"What we have is just chit-chat between one guy and another," Mentzer said. "We're checking out stories. We've got a lot of hearsay. We're doubling back to try to eliminate it. It's tough."

A Farmington Hills resident for some four years, Tavangar was unemployed and divorced. He lived in Cordoba Apartments with a friend.

A U.S. resident for some 15 years, Tavangar had no family locally. An older brother, Abdul Reza, who used to live in Farmington Hills and who for the past two years has lived in Turkey, arranged for burial in California, Mentzer said.

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"In general, most of it will be taken from the south side," Call said, referring to the quarter-mile stretch of office and commercial development abutting I-696.

Farmington Hills property owners along 12 Mile have been kept abreast of the proposed project through the city's Economic Development Corporation, which paid for a computerized right of way study — one of the preliminary study tools necessary for the project.

The second phase, targeted for 1990, would begin one-half mile west of Drake west to Haggerty. Targeted for 1991, the final phase would run one-quarter mile east of Meadowbrook to a quarter-mile west of Dixon in Novi.

THOUGH STILL undetermined, the state may assume responsibility of the section from Haggerty to one-quarter mile east of Meadowbrook as part of its planned Haggerty/I-69 improvements. "That's not been thoroughly investigated yet," Call said.

The cities are applying for financ-

ing under the state fund's economic growth category for areas experiencing growth on a major road that is incapable of handling the existing and expected growth, Call said.

Growth and congestion along the corridor is documented in the state financing application. The average daily traffic count 20 years in the future is projected at 50,000 cars a day. The corridor itself is still being developed. From Farmington to Drake, 70 percent of the land is developed; Drake to Halsted is 15-20 percent developed; and Halsted to Haggerty, 35-40 percent developed.

"... traffic problems along Twelve Mile Road have now progressed from minor delays and inconveniences to serious traffic backups creating long delays and increased safety hazards," according to a 12 Mile Road corridor plan booklet to be distributed to property owners along the thoroughfare.

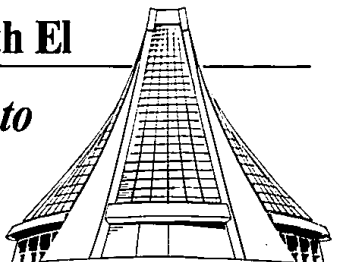
The corridor also boasts six historical sites, though only one, the Hamilton-Jones House, 35001 12 Mile, will be moved. The house would be affected by the proposed right of way and south edge of the pavement.

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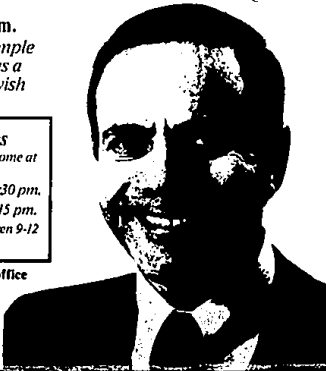
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