

police/fire calls

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

NATURAL DEATH

A Farmington Hills man who died four days after he was involved in a three-vehicle accident in Novi died of heart disease unrelated to the accident, the Oakland County Medical Examiner ruled.

Albert F. Criss, 42, died Sept. 2 at Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Criss was turning from southbound Haggerty into a driveway a quarter mile south of Nine Mile at 10:20 a.m. Aug. 30 when his car was struck from behind by another car. That collision pushed Criss' car into the path of a northbound semi truck driven by a 28-year-old man. Only Criss was hurt in the crash. Novi police Chief Lee BeCelle said. All three drivers were wearing seat belts.

The 22-year-old driver of the car that struck Criss was ticketed for failing to stop within assured clear distance, BeCelle said.

The case will be reviewed by the Oakland County prosecutor's office to determine if criminal charges are warranted, the chief added.

CARS RECOVERED

Two Detroit men face felony charges in connection with the theft

of two cars from Farmington Hills Sept. 3.

Arrested Sept. 3 before District Judge Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington, the men — one 30, the other 33 — pleaded not guilty to single counts of unlawfully driving away an automobile. Innocent pleas were entered. Cash/surety bond was set at \$5,000 for each pending a preliminary exam in 47th District Court. They face up to five years in prison if convicted.

A 1987 Chevrolet Camaro valued at \$18,000 was reported stolen from Putt 'n Games, 30749 Grand River, at 1 a.m. Sept. 3. A 1986 Pontiac Firebird valued at \$8,000 was reported stolen from Cedaridge Apartments at 12:50 a.m. Sept. 5.

Farmington Hills officers spotted the two cars headed east on Grand River at Pearl. The cars seemed to be traveling together, later speeding through at least four red lights, officers said.

At Lahser and Grand River in Detroit, officers tried to block the cars and arrest the occupants. But when a trailing officer activated his marked patrol car's overhead lights, the driver of the Firebird backed up and sped off, south on Lahser.

At Six Mile, the Firebird hit a curb, jumped the median, drove west in the eastbound lanes, then hit another curb and stopped in the median. The driver ran across Six Mile

between apartment buildings. Detroit police arrested Staffey soon after.

Farmington Hills police arrested the other driver when he tried to drive around a surveillance officer's car but struck it instead, according to the police report.

RESIDENTIAL BREAK-IN

Three suspects were charged with burglarizing a house on Marlblehead in Farmington. One of the suspects was a renter living in the house.

According to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report, about \$1,000 in jewelry and other personal items were stolen during the Sept. 2 break-in.

The incident came to police attention about 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Officers spotted a car weaving south along Orchard Lake Road; two victims of the burglary were hanging out the sides of the car, trying to halt it.

Arrested Saturday in 47th District Court on charges of breaking and entering of an occupied dwelling with intent to commit larceny were a 64-year-old Farmington man, a 22-year-old Farmington Hills woman and a 18-year-old Detroit man. The three stood mute before District Judge Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington. Innocent pleas were entered for all. Cash bonds of \$20,000 were ordered pending a preliminary exam

in district court.

Conviction of the felony charges can bring a maximum penalty of 15 years in prison.

The three were stopped and confronted by officers and the two victims — women in their 20s living in the house. Jewelry belonging to the victims was found in the suspect's car.

THEFTS REPORTED

Outside lighting valued at \$1,400 was reported stolen from Brookfield Office Park, 31500 Northwestern Highway, between Aug. 25 and Sept. 1.

A TV, a VCR and stereo equipment valued of undetermined value were reported stolen from Timberledge Apartments between Aug. 30 and Sept. 3.

A microwave oven, a washer, a dryer and tools valued at \$1,350 were reported stolen from Fox Point Townhouses between Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

Jewelry valued at \$1,000 was reported stolen from Cedarbrooke Apartments Sept. 1.

Jewelry of undetermined value was reported stolen from a house on Glenmore Heights Sept. 1.

A VCR and jewelry valued at \$1,160 were reported stolen from a house on Astor Sept. 1.

Used catalytic converters and a used radiator valued at \$850 were

reported stolen from Grand Haggerty Auto Parts, 35000 Haggerty, Sept. 1-2.

A 1988 Pontiac Trans-Am valued at \$24,000 was reported stolen from Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River, Sept. 2.

A unloader valued at \$21,000 was reported stolen from a construction site on Strathmore Sept. 2-5.

Tools and an emergency auto kit valued at \$540 were reported stolen from a CAR parked on Floral Sept. 3. Two vehicles at the same house were broken into.

An all-terrain vehicle valued at \$950 was reported stolen from a yard on Rocky Crest Sept. 3.

About \$300 was reported stolen from Greenhill Apartments Sept. 3.

A 1985 Chevrolet Blazer valued at \$12,000 was reported stolen from along Purdue Sept. 3-5.

A 1986 Jeep Cherokee valued at \$7,500 was reported stolen from Leo Adler Nissan, 28200 Eight Mile, Sept. 4.

Tools valued at \$1,750 were reported stolen from a driveway on El-dred Sept. 5.

TICKETS ISSUED

A 27-year-old Westland man was ticketed for possessing marijuana during a traffic stop on I-275 near Eight Mile Sept. 2.

A 29-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for interfering with a police officer at the scene of a traffic accident on Cordoba at 12 Mile Sept. 2.

An 18-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for open intoxication when beer was found in his possession during an investigation of a gathering of teens on Britany Hill Court Sept. 3.

A 17-year-old Farmington Hills woman was ticketed for a disorderly party after officers found more than 30 teenagers both inside and outside a house on Hemlock Sept. 3. There was evidence of underage drinking, officers said.

A 31-year-old Farmington Hills woman was ticketed for possessing narcotics paraphernalia when rolling papers, baggies, syringes and a cooker spoon were found in her car during a traffic stop at Independence Green Apartments Sept. 3.

Wiesel to help honor rabbi

Elie Wiesel, prominent author of novels, essays, stories and dialogues, will be principal speaker at Adat Shalom's Oct. 16 dinner honoring Rabbi Elly Spectre.

The event will mark Spectre's 25th year in the rabbinate and his 10th year as spiritual leader of the Farmington Hills synagogue.

Wiesel is recipient of the 1986 Nobel Peace Prize and the Medal of Liberty Award. He has written many critically acclaimed works, includ-

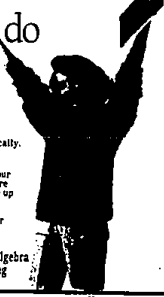
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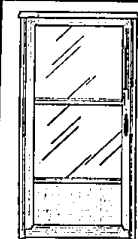
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