

Madonna student honored



Brian Belesky he's honored

Brian Belesky of Farmington Hills was named winner of the first Livonia Access Television Volunteer Award.

Belesky, a video communications major at Madonna College, received the award for "Best Informational Program," which he produced for "Madonna Magazine," a student-crowded television program taped in the television studios on the Livonia campus.

The program was called "Weather People" with guests Jerry Hodak, WXYZ-TV 7, and Bill Deedler, National Weather Service.

"Without the backing of the great people at Madonna College, I couldn't have won this award," said Belesky. "We work very hard as college students and it's nice to receive recognition for what we do."

A part-time student, Belesky also works as audio engineer at

WXYT-1270 AM and WMUZ-103.5 FM. According to Belesky, the award was totally unexpected.

"Brian was extremely happy that he won the award, which included a wooden brass plaque," said Chuck Derry, the television production instructor at Madonna. "Needless to say, we were very proud that a Madonna College student walked away an award winner."

Alumnae aid food drive

Mercy High School Alumnae Association added strength to the efforts of Mercy students collecting food for families in need.

The alumnae, in a local effort, collected food to feed eight families for four days, said Betty Jean Hebel, Class of 1963 and president of the Alumnae association for the Farmington Hills all-girls Catholic school.

"This was the first alumnae association food drive.

"We expect to increase the scope and impact of the alumnae effort for the 1990 food drive," said Romayne Carletti, '53, of Southfield, who co-chaired the event with Vicki Polcyn Feisel, '73, also of Southfield.

"Our goal is to support and further

the work of the Mercy students in providing food for families in need," said Feisel.

All food will be given to Focus: HOPE in a Thanksgiving prayer service on Tuesday in Mercy High School.

"Mercy has students from over 50 communities in southeastern Michigan. It is important that we assist the students as they learn to incorporate sharing and caring as a way of life," said Sister Regina Marie Doelker, principal.

For information about the Mercy High School Alumnae Association, call the school, 476-8020, or Jean Hebel, 474-7559.

Police/fire calls

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

ROBBERY FOLLOW-UP
Farmington Hills police believe the robbery-stabbing of a maintenance worker outside an office building Tuesday was a "random crime of opportunity." Robbery was the apparent motive.

A masked robber stabbed the maintenance worker in the shoulder after taking \$75 in the 1:15 a.m. robbery, in the rear service area of the Tri-Atria office building, 32255 Northwestern Highway.

The 31-year-old victim was treated at Stotsford General Hospital for a wound to the left shoulder.

As the Detroit man walked toward his car, the robber, wearing a stocking mask and a black leather jacket, appeared from behind a wall, grabbed him and demanded his wallet.

As the man handed him his wallet, the robber stabbed him in the shoulder with a knife that had a 3-inch blade.

The robber then ran toward a dumpster and behind the parking structure. He either entered a waiting car or ran into a nearby field. The victim ran inside to call the police.

Police found the victim's wallet in a flower bed near the parking structure wall, 250 feet away from the robbery scene. Cash and two credit cards were missing.

PURSE TAKEN
While the homeowner was asleep on a couch 15 feet away with the TV on, a burglar entered a house on St. Francis through a back door and took a purse and an apron from the kitchen table between 3:30 and 7:25 a.m. Wednesday.

The purse contained cash, credit cards and a checkbook. The waitress apron contained 11 money, Farmington Hills police said.

RADIOS STOLEN
Radios valued at \$500 each were reported stolen from four vehicles parked at the rear of the DPW Yard, 27245 Halsted, Nov. 8-15. Another vehicle sustained a broken window, Farmington Hills police said.

TEENS TICKETED
Three teenagers were ticketed for possessing tobacco at Farmington High School, 32000 Shawwassee, Wednesday, according to the Farmington Department of Public Safety.

BURGLARS FLEE
Burglars were scared off by residents in two unrelated incidents late Tuesday and early Wednesday in Farmington Hills.

At 9:55 p.m. Tuesday, a Seminary Ridge resident heard a bang. Going downstairs with her dog, she saw a man about to kick the doorwall. He ran after spotting them.

At 1:45 a.m. Wednesday, a Robinson resident heard the rear screen door stule open. Checking, he saw a man, who quickly ran.

HOUSE BREAK-IN
A VCR, a camera, computer games and equipment, jewelry, sunglasses and a wallet valued at \$1,600 were reported stolen from a house on Pond Ridge Wednesday, Farmington Hills police said.

TRUCK RECOVERED
A 1987 Ford Ranger pickup valued at \$10,185 was reported stolen from Village Oaks Apartments, 29812 Orchard Lake, Nov. 14-15. It was recovered in Taylor, Farmington Hills police said.

TEENS TICKETED
Three Farmington Hills teenagers were ticketed for possessing alcohol when beer was found in a mobile home at Farmington Mobil Manor on Eight Mile Thursday night, Farmington Hills police said.

Marijuana seized in raid: 3 charged

A preliminary exam will be held Wednesday for three adults arrested in a Farmington Hills drug raid that netted police two pounds of marijuana with a street value of \$2,000.

Police also seized 28 2-foot-tall marijuana plants in their raid of a house in the Halsted-Howard area Nov. 7.

Executing a search warrant signed by District Judge Margaret Schaefer of Farmington, police had information that marijuana was on the property.

"But we were surprised to discover marijuana plants being grown and

cultivated," said Sgt. Charles Nebus, supervisor of the Farmington Hills Police Department Detective Section, which conducted the raid.

When the house was raided at 1:10 p.m. Nov. 7, eight people were inside, but only three were arrested.

Marie Christine Howard, 20, and Timm Patrick Smith, 32, are charged with delivery and manufacture of a controlled substance, a four-year felony, and possession of marijuana, a one-year misdemeanor. Erich Karl Goehring, 30, is charged with just the first count.

All stood mute when arraigned before Judge Fred Harris in 47th District Court in Farmington Nov. 9. Innocent pleas were entered in their behalf.

Harris released Howard on \$5,000 personal recognizance bond. He ordered the two men to each post 10 percent of \$25,000 cash or surety bond pending a preliminary exam of the charges in 47th District Court.

Some narcotics paraphernalia, including a marijuana pipe and rolling papers, also were seized in the raid.

This marked the first time police raided the house, Nebus said.

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HANDLING BACK PAIN
The commonest cause of back pain is muscle strain. The muscles involved start at the lumbosacral and like overlapping ribbons move up the back from the coccyx to the base of the skull.

After a strain, back pain can arise from any of these muscles; the low back is the usual site because this location is the focal point for body weight and pivotal motion of the lumbar spines.

You can distinguish back strain from other causes of back pain because back discomfort starts as a dull ache, then gradually builds up to reach a nearly intolerable level. The pain will suddenly subside and begin again without a discernible cause. In contrast, osteoporosis comes on suddenly and sharply, subsiding only after days or weeks. The pain from cancer or a tumor starts as an ache, never eases, and becomes ever increasingly painful over time.

Treatment of back strain consists of daily exercise, heat, and use of proper lifting techniques. You should also try 1-2 times a day, for a period of 10-20 minutes, to lie down on your back while on a hard surface.

The reward for this persistent effort and attention to detail is that you, not your pain, are in control.

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