

police/fire calls

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

GREASE FIRE

A Farmington Hills man suffered serious burns on his head when he picked up a pan of hot grease off the stove Dec. 13 in his third floor River Valley apartment on Nine Mile, west of Farmington Road, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

The pan caught fire while the resident was cooking. He ran to the hallway, grabbed the extinguisher and put out the fire. "He then tried to remove the pan from the stove," deputy Chief Peter Baldwin said.

The man sought his own medical treatment. Property loss damage was estimated at \$1,500 and \$100 to contents.

"By the fact that we require extinguishers in apartment buildings, the fire was extinguished," Baldwin said.

Once a grease fire is extinguished, however, there should be no attempt to remove the burned pan. "You never try to remove a panful of hot

grease. Put a lid on it. Let it cool off," Baldwin said. "Once the fire is out, there is no hazard."

Fire officials are completing a video tape on what to do for grease fires. The rule is "put a lid on it," Baldwin said. You can smother the fire with a lid, but do not throw water on it.

ASSAULT REPORTED

A 42-year-old Farmington Hills man was threatened by a 30-year-old Livonia man wielding a baseball bat, following a traffic altercation in the Uptown Farmington Plaza Dec. 9.

The victim told police the other man drove in front of his vehicle about 7:30 p.m., then followed the victim, got out of his car and began yelling. When the victim stopped to discuss the matter, the man approached him threatening him with the bat.

He also drove his car at the victim in a threatening manner, police said. The Livonia man told police he carries the bat in his car for protection.

HOLIDAY THEFT

The Christmas lights on trees in a back yard on East Meadowhill were

cut and a nativity set was knocked down and the figures bent Dec. 13. Two of the nativity figures, valued at \$1,000, also were reported stolen. Damage was estimated at \$165, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

MONEY STOLEN

Money meant to purchase holiday gifts for a Livonia nursing home was stolen Dec. 11, as a man shopped at the Farmington Kmart store.

A total of \$500 had been collected by employees at a local company; one employee had gone to the Kmart to purchase the gifts, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report. The victim also lost \$200 of his own money.

The money was in his wallet, which was in a jacket pocket. The jacket was draped over a shopping basket as he shopped, the report said.

The man did not realize his wallet and money were missing until someone turned in the empty wallet to the store.

THEFTS REPORTED

Approximately \$500 cash was reported stolen from the Farmington

Coney Island, 3095 Orchard Lake Road, Dec. 12-13.

A pager valued at \$300 was reported stolen from the Powerhouse Gym, 31225 Orchard Lake Road, Dec. 11.

A compact copier, two telephones and recharging light valued at \$652 were reported stolen from Cortis Brick Cleaners, 20777 Randall, Dec. 12-13.

A diamond ring valued at \$600 was reported stolen from a house on Oak Point Circle, Dec. 13.

Four wire wheels, a two-piece jump suit, leather jacket and high heels valued at \$1,050 were reported stolen from a car parked at Clancy's, 33250 Eight Mile, Dec. 7.

Cash was taken from a coat at Pier One, 33029 Grand River, Farmington, Dec. 12.

DAMAGE REPORTED

Two tires of a vehicle parked in the TJ Maxx parking lot, 33049 Grand River, downtown Farmington were punctured and slashed Dec. 10.

The window of a car parked in the Twin Valley area in Farmington was broken Dec. 12-13, causing \$200 in damage.

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Exam postponed for 2 in shooting

The preliminary examination for two Detroit men charged with the fatal shooting of a Farmington Hills teacher was postponed until Tuesday, Dec. 18.

Originally scheduled for Dec. 14, the hearing in 36th District Court was postponed to allow attorneys more preparation time.

Eugene Poux, 26 and James Lee Johnson, 18, are charged with first degree felony murder. They are accused of breaking into the house of Andre Poux, 58, in Detroit's North

Rosedale Park early the morning of Nov. 25 and shooting him as he confronted them. Poux later died at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital.

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S'field picked for recycling site

By Jackie Klein
staff writer

Southfield has been selected as the site of a multi-million dollar recycling station for seven southwest Oakland County communities.

The Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County announced Wednesday that it has an option to purchase for \$1.9 million property on the north-east corner of Eight Mile and Evergreen now occupied by Special Machine and Engineering Co.

"The authority selected the site based on location and the favorable aspect of redevelopment along the Eight Mile corridor," said authority general manager Lenora Jadun.

The authority decided on the Southfield property after backing away from a proposed site on Haggerty Road between I-96 and Grand River in Novi on the Farmington Hills border. That selection faced strong opposition from residents in the area. They feared such a facility would increase already heavy traffic and cause more congestion and noise.

An estimated \$12.5 million will be spent on sorting equipment and upgrading the three existing buildings on the four-acre site which is zoned for industrial use.

The proposed material recovery facility would be used for crushing, sorting and rebundling recyclables such as newspaper, glass, aluminum

and plastics, said Southfield City Administrator Robert Block.

"WE'RE NOT TALKING about garbage," Block said. "All non-recyclable materials will continue to go directly to a landfill or incinerator from Waste Management Co."

"Southfield is the largest user of landfills among the RRRASC membership. It makes good economic sense that the facility be located here."

Three authority communities — Southfield, Farmington and Farmington Hills — are collecting recycling commodities at curbside, Block said. Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom and South Lyon expect similar programs in 1991. Lyon Township is expected to soon join the authority.

The authority started looking for sites about a year ago, Block said. The authority evaluated Farmington and Novi.

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