

# 2 men arrested after robbery, attack

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Two men face multiple felony counts, following an incident in which a resident of Independence Green Apartments was attacked and robbed as she returned home from work early Sunday.

Bobby Douglas Tucker, 21, of Dearborn Heights and Joseph Lynn Gartner, 18, of South Haven, each face charges in relation to the incident, which occurred at about 4:14 a.m. in the apartment complex at Grand River and Halsted in Farmington Hills.

In the incident, a 22-year-old victim told police a

man got out of his car and attacked her as she arrived home and attempted to get into her apartment building. The man grabbed her, putting his arm around her neck and attempting to drag her toward his car. She kicked and screamed and was able to break free. The man grabbed her purse and fled.

She had scratches on her knees and elbows and had been punched in the head several times, police said. Before attacking her, the man told the victim he had followed her home.

Shortly after the incident, Farmington Hills Officer

Dan Lucena was on patrol in the area of Grand River and Halsted and spotted a car with two occupants matching a description of the suspect vehicle. He stopped the car for a loud muffler and no license plate, and reportedly found the victim's stolen purse in the car.

Both men were arraigned Sunday in 47th District Court in Farmington before Magistrate James Brady. Tucker is held on a \$100,000 cash bond and Gartner is held on a \$25,000 cash bond. Their preliminary examination is scheduled for Friday, July 31 in 47th District Court.

According to Farmington Hills Police Det. Sgt. Charles Nebus, Tucker faces felony counts of unarmed

robbery and attempted kidnapping and misdemeanor charges of possessing LSD and driving with his license suspended. Gartner faces one count of unarmed robbery and a felony count of carrying a concealed weapon, a knife.

The unarmed robbery charges are 15-year felonies, the attempted kidnapping is a 10-year felony and the concealed weapons charge a five-year felony.

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## POLICE/FIRE CALLS

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

### WOMAN CHARGED

A 30-year-old Detroit woman faces armed robbery charges following an incident at a gas station in Farmington last April.

Delia Ann Tarver faces an Aug. 7 preliminary examination in Farmington's 47th District Court for her alleged part in the April 12 robbery of the Mobil gas station at Grand River and Drake roads.

According to Farmington Department of Public Safety reports, a woman approached the cashier, asking for change for \$1. When the cashier opened the drawer, the woman put her hand in a pocket and demanded cash. A total of \$326 in cash was stolen.

Tarver will be sentenced on two other armed robbery convictions in Oakland County Circuit Court on Aug. 26, according to court records. Those cases came from Walled Lake District Court.

### VEHICLE LARCENIES

Two strings of vehicle thefts were reported in Farmington Hills over the weekend.

At Hillside Bible Church, 30465 Farmington Road, purses valued at \$475 were stolen out of two different vehicles on July 25. Damage of \$350 was done to the two vehicles in the incidents.

At Foxpointe Townhouses, three incidents were reported on July 26.

In these a radar detector valued at \$120, a mobile phone and sunglasses valued at \$300 and a mobile telephone valued at \$75 were stolen.

### LARCENY BY TRICK

An unidentified man walked away with \$124 from a Farmington Hills donut shop after tricking an employee, July 20, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

The man gave the employee at P.J. Donuts, 38427 Grand River, a \$20 bill for \$1.75 worth of donuts. The employee gave him change of \$18.75. "I gave you a \$20 bill right?" said the man, who asked for the \$20 bill back.

The employee returned the \$20 bill and meanwhile the employee became distracted by a second man. The man then gave the employee "a bunch" of \$1 bills and asked for two \$20 bills back. The man then gave the employee the two \$20 bills back and asked for eight \$5 bills. When money in the cash register was

counted later, it was discovered to be \$124 short.

### INDECENT EXPOSURE

Two local girls were victims of an indecent exposure in the parking lot of Our Lady of Sorrows, 33615 Power Road July 20.

According to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report, the 10- and 12-year-old girls were playing in the parking lot when they noticed a van driving around the lot. The van then approached them and the male driver opened the door, where the girls saw his pants around his ankles.

He pointed to his genital area and the girls ran away to report the incident which occurred at about 5 p.m.

### USER ACCOUNTABILITY

The latest statistics of the Farmington Hills police drug user accountability program have been released. The program targets users of narcotics and marijuana and results in arrests, as well as seizure of the drugs and forfeiture of cash and property.

Since Oct. 1, 1989, when the program began, 524 arrests have been made in 399 incidents. Eight-two forfeiture proceedings have been in-

stituted and 261 vehicles have been impounded.

Items seized include rolling machines, cocaine crushers, methadone, crack cocaine, marijuana, LSD, heroin, Pilocybin mushrooms, Valium and Xanax pills, and various paraphernalia.

To date, \$152,790 cash, seven vehicles, two cellular phones, 17 beeper pagers and miscellaneous jewelry has been forfeited.

### PARTY TICKET

A 19-year-old Farmington Hills man was ticketed for violation of the Farmington Hills host party ordinance July 27.

According to a Farmington Hills police report, the management of Motel 6, 38300 Grand River, contacted police with a noise complaint. Police arrived to find six people in a room, with four of them

under 21. Open beer and liquor was also found.

The 19-year-old had reportedly rented the room. He was issued a citation and the crowd was evicted.

### THEFTS REPORTED

A computer, printer and various related equipment valued at \$3,250 were reported stolen from Power Point Electrical Sales, 20741 Inkster Road, July 23-24.

A weed trimmer valued at \$125 was reported stolen from a shed at Johnny Magnum's restaurant, 30555 Grand River, July 24.

A 1991 GMC Jimmy valued at \$22,000 was reported stolen from Country Club Drive July 24.

A pay telephone valued at \$3,000 was reportedly stolen from the Taco Bell at 25925 Orchard Lake Road July 6.

Tools, an acetylene torch and a floor jack valued at \$1,030 were re-

ported stolen from a garage on Collingham sometime June 23-July 23.

A cellular telephone valued at \$160 was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Lakeland July 24-25.

A wristwatch and wallet valued at \$2,400 was reported stolen from the Detroit Tennis and Squash Club, 31031 Drake, July 26.

A mattress, box springs and bedspread valued at \$1,050 were reported stolen from a model unit at the Foxpointe Townhouses on Halsted, July 21-22.

A purse and contents, plus \$340 cash, were reported stolen from Engineered Parts Market, Inc., 28104 Orchard Lake Road, July 22.

Two air conditioning units valued at \$14,000 were reported stolen from the Freedom Square Apartments on Freedom Road, July 21-22.



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