

Truck rollover ties up Halsted

A specially trained group of firefighters came to the rescue Sept. 8 after a cement truck rolled into a drainage ditch off Halsted in Farmington Hills, leaking hazardous liquids into the stream.

The fully-loaded truck was driving south on Halsted just south of 14 Mile at about 11:25 a.m. when the driver, a 32-year-old Chicago resident, pulled his truck onto the shoulder to clean the cement chute.

The red Wixom Redimix truck, which with its payload weighed 72,700 pounds, then fell on its side in the ditch.

The driver was not injured, but police had to block off Halsted from 1-9:30 p.m. Wednesday and then again Thursday morning for about two hours so that the cleanup could be completed.

"Motor oil, hydraulic oil, lube oil and automatic transmission oil all spilled into the ditch," said hazardous materials specialist Wally Kureja of the Farmington Hills Fire Department's Special Emergency Response Team. "We put down absorbents and contained the materials to a 10- by 20-foot area."

K&D Industries then cleaned up the materials. Two cranes were also brought to the site to lift the truck. SERT members were at the site for about five hours.

Hills traffic supervisor Sgt. Ray Cranon said the driver was cited for exceeding the weight limits for a class B road (Halsted) by 11,700 pounds. The Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Division had to be called in to weigh the truck and will collect the fine of \$3,042.

Homeowners to hear attorney

Attorney Joseph Grand will speak on litigation involving subdivisions and subdivision by-laws at the season-opening meeting of The Council of Homeowner Associations of Farmington Hills at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 14, in

the Lower Level Meeting Room of the Hills Branch Library on 12 Mile Road.

The public is invited to attend. For more information about COHA activities, call president Marcella VanCreveld at 661-0993.

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

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

■ FIRES
Firefighters from Station 1 in Farmington Hills put out a blaze in a Dumpster on the north side of Power Middle School on Rhonwood at 8:03 p.m. Sept. 5. A small amount of paper and cardboard in the Dumpster had caught fire. There was no damage. Wax in a frying pan that had been burning during the night ignited at Hearts and Roses florist shop on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Sept. 5, causing heavy smoke in the building. Firefighters from Station 4 responded at 11:51 a.m.

Firefighters from Station 3 in Farmington Hills responded to a complaint of an electrical problem at a residence on Creekside at 4:44 p.m. Sept. 6, but found that a hole in a water hose to a washing machine had leaked.

Firefighters from Station 1 responded to a report of a transformer fire at Gill and Beach at 4:46 p.m. Sept. 9. There was an

unhooked breaker but no fire. Detroit Edison was informed of the incident and the scene was vacated.

Firefighters from Station 3 rescued a tree cut at a residence on Roosevelt at 1:35 p.m. Sept. 8.

Firefighters from Station 2 extinguished an attic fire at a house on Arden Park at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 8. There was \$5,000 in damage to contents and \$5,000 in damage to the house.

■ THEFT
Wheel covers worth \$400 were stolen from a 1991 white Olds Royal at Bob Saks Olds on Grand River in Farmington Hills Sept. 4-5.

A car phone worth \$260 was stolen from a blue 1992 Dodge parked on Kingsway in Farmington Hills Sept. 3-4.

Hockey equipment worth \$400 was stolen from a garage on Minglewood in Farmington Hills between Aug. 23 and Sept. 4.

A Hoosier boat trailer worth \$1,020 was stolen from a residence on Bradley in Farmington Hills Sept. 6-7.

A TV worth \$350 and Samsung

VCR worth \$250 were stolen from the clubhouse at the Indian Creek Apartments on Indian Creek in Farmington Hills Sept. 6-7.

A collection box for the Society of St. Vincent DePaul with an unknown amount of donated money was stolen from St. Fabian's Church on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Sept. 7.

A 19 inch color TV worth \$300 and Sharp VCR worth \$200 were stolen from the firm of Sosin Sklar Rottman Associates on Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills Sept. 3-7.

A customer left his wallet, with credit cards and cash worth \$190, at the 7-Eleven store on Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills Sept. 6 at about 10 p.m. When he returned it was missing.

A Suzuki 8 hp gray outdoor motor worth \$1,200 was stolen from a residence on 10 Mile in Farmington Hills Sept. 5-6.

A \$900 man's diamond ring in the shape and design of a U.S. flag was stolen from the Country Ridge Apartments on Crest Forest in Farmington Hills Sept. 2.

A Panasonic VCR worth \$349, a Panasonic VCR worth \$325, a Sa-

nyo VCR worth \$199, a 27-inch Zenith color TV worth \$399, and a video projector worth \$115 were stolen from Larkshire Elementary School on Tuck in Farmington Hills between June 10 and Aug. 20.

Four hubcaps worth \$400 were stolen from a red 1991 Cadillac Deville parked at Oak Pointe Drive in Farmington Hills Sept. 8-9.

Tools worth \$300 were stolen from a garage at a residence on Annwood in Farmington Sept. 7.

■ VANDALISM
The left side rear window of a 1986 Toyota parked on Sibley in Farmington Hills was smashed Sept. 5 or 6, causing \$250 in damage.

Six glass windows were broken Sept. 3-7 at Empire Amusement on Eight Mile in Farmington Hills, causing \$1,800 in damage. A rock thrown through a window of a residence on Colgate Sept. 8 caused \$200 in damage.

The rear window of a blue 1985 Ford Bronco II parked at the Woodview Apartments on Middlebelt was smashed Sept. 9, causing \$250 in damage.

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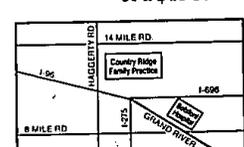
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