

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

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

■ FIRES

Farmington Hills firefighters from Stations 2 and 3 put out a fire in a shed attached to a house on Nine Mile in Farmington Hills at 1:08 p.m. Feb. 27. A cigarette appeared to be the cause of the fire that caused \$1,600 in property damage and \$500 in damage to contents.

Hills firefighters put out a Dumpster fire at the Quakertown office parking area on 12 Mile at 4:44 p.m. Feb. 24. Firefighters have not determined the cause of the fire, which caused \$500 in damage.

Hills firefighters from Station 4 put out a small fire near a TV set in the family room at a house on North Pointe Drive in Farmington Hills at 2:29 p.m. Feb. 27. The cause of the fire, which caused \$2,000 in damage to the house and \$2,000 in damage to contents, is under investigation.

Hills firefighters from Station 2 put out a car fire at an accident scene on northbound Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills at 1:58 a.m. The fire, which was confined to the engine compartment of a 1989 Chevy Chevelle, had already been put out by the driver of the truck. The fire appeared to be electrical in nature and caused \$500 in damage.

Firefighters from Hills Station 1 responded to a report of fumes at Ground Water Technologies on Research in Farmington Hills at 2:48 p.m. Feb. 26. The fumes came from overcharged wet-cell batteries. Firefighters shut off the charging system.

■ THEFT

Five tires and wheels worth \$1,500 were stolen from a green 1994 Jeep Cherokee on Plum Brook in Farmington Hills between Feb. 28 and March 1, and it was left sitting on logs.

A Conair cordless phone (\$110), an answering machine (\$120) and a JVC portable stereo (\$300) were stolen from the Botsford Terrace Apartments on Independence in Farmington Hills March 1.

A \$376 Craftsman gray and black lawn mower was stolen from a garage on Scott in Farmington Hills March 2-3.

An in-dash radio (\$700) was stolen from a 1987 Cadillac DeVille in an apparent attempted auto theft in a parking on Grand River in Farmington Feb. 26. A passenger side window was busted and the steering column damaged causing \$400 in damages.

■ SHOPLIFTING

Two Magnavox VCRs, three rolls of toilet paper and a package of disposable diapers (\$466.04) were taken past the checkout lane at the Target store on Grand River in Farmington Hills March 1.

er in Farmington Hills by a Detroit man, 40, who didn't pay March 1. The man was detained by store security and arrested by Hills police.

■ VANDALISM

Sections of wooden fence at the Founders Sports Park on Eight Mile were destroyed, probably with a vehicle, Feb. 22 causing \$400 in damage.

A tire was slashed on a 1986 Ford Mustang parked near Farmington High March 3, causing \$202 in damage.

■ ASSAULT

A Novi woman, 25, was driving east on M-102 near Halsted when her car was bumped by a blue and silver 1992 Chevy driven by a 19-year-old man, 40. Both cars pulled onto the median shoulder and an argument ensued. The woman's car sustained \$500 in damage.

A Farmington man, 18, and his

passenger, a 19-year-old Farmington woman, were driving east on 12 Mile at 9 p.m. March 3. A red Geo Storm came along side with two men, in their late teens, who began shouting obscenities. The men, described as white, with red hair, wearing a red baseball cap and a white Starter jacket, and as black, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt and a winter jacket had been drinking beer. When the cars stopped beside each other at 12 and Middlebelt for a traffic signal, the men threw three beer bottles at the couple. One struck the woman and cut her.

■ BREAK-INS

The glass was broken out of the front door of the Farmington Hills Market on Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills March 4, causing \$400 in damage. Lottery tickets worth \$379; cognac worth \$363.45; six cartons of cigarettes; and \$400 in cash were stolen.

Woman guilty of kicking down door

A Novi woman is in jail after her conviction related to the harassment of the rabbi of a Farmington Hills synagogue.

Mary Foley, 54, was sentenced March 1 to six months in jail, with credit for 20 days served, for malicious destruction of a building.

Birmingham Temple Rabbi and founder Sherwin Wine had testified that Foley had followed and harassed him for seven years.

Foley was convicted for kicking down the door to Wine's office in March 1992.

In addition to the jail time, Foley was also ordered to pay

\$750 in restitution, \$30 to the victim's rights fund and attorney fees.

She also received three years of probation and was ordered to undergo psychiatric treatment and not have any further contact with Wine or the temple.

6 people SMARTing after bus collision

An unlikely bus accident caused several minor injuries and damaged four vehicles March 4.

A SMART bus heading south on Middlebelt south of 13 Mile in Farmington Hills had stopped for traffic at about 8:20 a.m. when it was rear-ended — by another SMART bus.

The collision caused the front bus to lurch ahead into the car in front of it, which did the same to the car in front of it. Six people, including three of the four drivers were slightly injured.

The driver of the bus that ran into the other bus, Leenette Daniels, 38, of Detroit, was ticketed

for failure to stop in a sure clear distance.

Traffic was stopped in the southbound lane and tied up in the northbound lane for about two hours. Damage to the front of the bus Daniels was driving was "severe," according to Farmington Hills officer Don Fradette.

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