

# Memorial service Friday for hit-and-run victim

A memorial service will be held at 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 22 for Caryn Teresa Casaz, a 24-year-old Farmington Hills woman who was killed by a hit-and-run driver while jogging along Hines Drive near Merriman Wednesday, Sept. 13.

The service will be in St. Simon and Jude Catholic Church, 32500 Palmer, Westland.

The family held a service Tuesday morning in St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church, Chicago.

A Garden City man, Paul Sadler, 42, has been charged with three felony counts in the traffic fatality. He was charged with manslaughter with a motor vehicle; operating a vehicle under the

influence of alcohol; and leaving the scene of a personal injury accident. A preliminary exam in Westland district court is scheduled for this morning (Thursday).

A Casaz family spokesperson said Caryn, a Ford Motor Co. design engineer, was jogging along Hines Drive to train for the Oct. 15 Detroit Free Press International Marathon.

She was not only an athlete, but also a musician who played guitar and violin, and an artist.

"She made friends easily and has many friends all over the country," the spokesperson said. "She touched the lives of many and we will all miss her dearly."

She is survived by parents Vic-

tor and Mary Casaz; sister Christine Byndas; brother Victor, and grandmother Catherine Stuechly.

The family said memorial donations in Caryn's name may be made to one of two groups.

One is the Wayne County Mothers Against Drunk Driving Chapter, 615 N. Wayne Road, Westland 48185, earmarked for facilitating a running and biking trail along the Hines Drive between Merriman and Newburgh.

Or to the Caryn T. Casaz Scholarship Fund at the University of Illinois, through the Ford Motor Co.'s University of Illinois advisory committee, whose contact person is Steve Pearce. He may be reached by calling (810) 349-6977.

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Lindberg, an evidence technician, described a sophisticated marijuana cultivation system that featured special lights with timers, three separate rooms with aluminum foil and an enriched oxygenated water system to speed "healthier" plant growth.

After obtaining a search warrant on July 21, the officers found the plants and documentation that Willer was indeed the homeowner and resident involved. The youthful-looking Willer, who sat quietly in court, was identified as the homeowner by Lindberg.

Willer's attorney, Barry Rensick, questioned whether police had properly established the

connection between Willer and the marijuana and the proof of his residency at the Altus Leona address. Willer, 41, was not home at the time of the raid.

But Harris overruled the objection and bound over Willer for an Oakland County Circuit Court arraignment before Judge Barry Howard at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 4. Willer faces up to 15 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine if convicted.

In addition, Farmington Police and Oakland County are considering legal action to recover the house, with a market value of more than \$130,000, and other property in drug forfeiture proceedings.

Rensick also objected to an increase in Willer's bond from

\$50,000 personal bond to \$25,000 cash bond. A personal bond means that the defendant does not have to pay any money unless he misses a scheduled appearance. A cash bond must be paid in full before the defendant can be released from custody.

Rensick argued that Willer, who is temporarily living with his parents, was not a risk to flee. But Harris said with the value of the drugs in question, the bond should be higher.

"I was pleasantly surprised that the judge went that high," Gucciardo said of the bond. "I was going to ask for \$20,000 (cash bond)."

Willer posted the bond Monday.

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The next Kids' Night Out is scheduled for 7:30-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7, at the Y. The theme will be Halloween Haunting for children in kindergarten through

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