

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

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

■ AUTO THEFTS

A \$21,000 tan and green Ford Mustang was stolen from the Fairmont Park Apartments on Fairmont Drive in Farmington Hills March 27.

A driver's door lock was punched and the steering column and dash were damaged (\$500) in an attempted theft of a black 1995 GMC Yukon parked at Primary Systems on 10 Mile in Farmington Hills March 27.

A blue 1990 Ford Ranger pickup worth \$8,000 was stolen from Mulligan's Pub on Eight Mile in Farmington Hills March 27-28.

■ BREAK-INS

Two doors and frames were broken causing \$400 in damage to a house under construction on Weavily Court in Farmington Hills and oak boards, spindles and walls worth \$3,500 were taken March 25-26.

The front door was kicked at a residence at the Country Ridge Apartments on Crest Forest in Farmington Hills March 22-23 causing \$200 in damage, and a \$350 leather jacket, \$300 gold necklace, \$150 gold bracelet and two shirts worth \$150 were stolen.

The front door of another residence at the Country Ridge Apartments was broken in (\$100) and a \$300 gold chain and \$150 heart pendant were stolen March 25.

The convertible top was slashed (\$1,500) on a white 1988 BMW 325 parked at the Spring Valley Apartments on Spring Lake in Farmington Hills and a \$200 radar detector was stolen March 27-29.

■ FALSE IDENTITIES

Toyota Credit of Livonia reported that the purchase of a 1996 Toyota Avalon worth \$37,399 at Bob's Autos on Grand River in Farmington Hills Jan. 20 had been made using the identification of a dead man. Two men had already been arrested for a similar purchase at the dealership.

■ THEFTS

A \$250 Motorola cellular phone was stolen from a red 1992 Pontiac Grand Am on Creekside in Farmington Hills March 22-23.

A small \$70 safe with \$750 in cash was stolen from a residence on Ryan in Farmington Hills March 27.

A stereo, CDs, a brief case and other items were stolen from a burgundy 1990 Buick Skylark parked on Caryn in Farmington Hills March 28.

A \$200 AM/FM stereo was stolen from a red 1984 Ford EXP parked at American Transmission on Grand River for repairs causing \$100 in damage March 14-20.

Two purses, \$77 in cash, a \$30 wallet and a \$169 pay check were stolen from the Sarah Fisher Center on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills March 22.

An Ameritech cellular phone (\$50) was stolen from a purse at the Magic Planet in Farmington March 27.

■ ASSAULT

A Farmington Hills woman, 27, told Hills police that a Los Angeles, Calif., man, 28, choked her, threw a lamp and a telephone at her, and hit her after an argument at her Country Ridge apartment on Crest Forest at 9:30 p.m. March 26 after an argument. The man left to catch a plane to California.

■ DRUNKEN DRIVING

Farmington Hills police arrested a Romulus man, 66, for driving a gray 1989 Plymouth Voyager west on M-5 at Grand River at 12:30 a.m. March 27 while drunk. The van was weaving and the driver had a blood alcohol level of .16 percent. A level of .1 percent is considered too drunk to drive in Michigan.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Rochester man, 28, for driving a gray 1987 Dodge Caravan east on Grand River at 6:40 p.m. March 27 while drunk. The van had turned onto Grand River in the west bound lanes and passed a Hills police cruiser. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .16 percent.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Hills man, 55, for driving a red 1996 Pontiac west on I-696 at 8:55 p.m. March 27 while drunk. The car had been going 80 m.p.h. in a 65 mph zone and tailgating. The driver could not adequately perform a breath test.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Novi man, 52, for driving a black 1995 Ford Escort west on Eight Mile at Grand River in Farmington Hills while drunk at 9:15 p.m. March 27.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Milford woman, 37, for driving a black 1993 Mazda 626 west on I-696 between Drake and Halsted in Farmington Hills at 2:20 a.m. March 28 while drunk. The car was going 100 mph in a 65 mph zone. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .19 percent.

Farmington Hills police arrested a Bloomfield Hills woman, 32, for driving a red 1985 Toyota south on Northwestern north of 13 Mile at 7:05 p.m. March 28. The car had a loud exhaust and was driving partly on a gravel shoulder. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .12 percent.

■ IMPOUND

The owner of a blue 1995 Ford Ranger pickup told Farmington Hills police that it had been stolen from a lot at the Meadow Ridge Condos on Meadow Ridge March 23-25. The pickup had a flat front tire and had been left in the lot. Hills police told the man the pickup had been towed away at the request of the condo association, which thought it had been abandoned.

ON THE AGENDA

Below are highlights from the agendas of meetings this week. All meetings are open to the public.

Farmington Hills City Council

City Hall, 474-6115
Study session
Lower level conference room
8 p.m. Monday, April 1, 1996

Agenda items include:

- Review of Cellular Tower Committee Report.
- Presentation on Northwestern Highway Extension efforts with MDOT, West Bloomfield Township, the Road Commission for Oakland County, and resident committees.

Farmington City Council

City Hall, 474-5000
8 p.m. Monday, April 1

Agenda items include:

- Presentation by Neighborhood House.

- Proposed resolution to support Farmington Multicultural/Multiracial Community Council.
- Consideration to buy sewer vacuum/jet rodder truck.

Downtown Development Authority

Farmington City Hall, 473-7278
8 a.m. Tuesday, April 2

Agenda items include:

- Financial report.
- Approval of payments.
- Business recruitment report.
- 1996-97 budget.
- Rescheduling June 4 board meeting.
- Executive director's report.

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TROCHANTERIC BURSIITIS

Pain coming from the upper leg is not always hip pain. A more common cause of leg discomfort is trochanteric bursitis.

This condition derives its name from a sac located on the upper outside edge of the thigh. The underlying bone is the greater trochanter. A number of muscles insert into the bone, and overlying the greater trochanter is a large muscle, the gluteus maximus.

Nature placed a thin sac - the trochanteric bursa - between the large muscle going over the bone, and the small muscles anchoring into the bone.

This bursa can become inflamed. If you have a fall on the outside of your left thigh, bleeding may occur into the bursa. If you figure your knee or ankle, you may start walking in a manner that causes the overlying muscle to rub against the bursa. At times, the cause for the bursal inflammation is unclear.

True hip pain brings discomfort along the groin. Pain coming from the trochanteric bursa starts in the lateral thigh and radiates up to the back or down to the leg up to, but not beyond, the knee.

Treatment for trochanteric bursitis includes heat, joint injection, and rest. The long term outlook is excellent.



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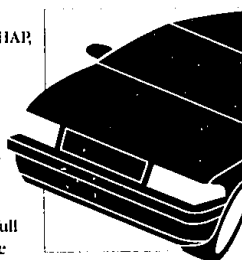
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