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possession of tobacco under the age of 18 at the Sunoco gas station on Grand River at Middlebelt at 12:01 a.m. Sept. 15.

Hills police arrested an Ann Arbor man, 26, for carrying a concealed weapon (.357 Taurus Brasil pistol) and possession of a marijuana cigarette at the Old Orchard Theatre on Orchard Lake at 11:02 p.m. Sept. 15.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

In Farmington:
Farmington police arrested a Hills man, 36, for drunken driving on Freedom and Farmington roads at 2:11 a.m. Sept. 11. Police stopped the 1990 Pontiac Sunbird for having only one headlight on. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .13 percent. A level of .1 percent is considered too drunk to drive in Michigan.

In Farmington Hills:

Hills police arrested a Northville man, 34, at 3:30 a.m. Sept. 15 for driving a blue 1994 GMC Safari east on Grand River at Eight Mile while drunk. The man also gave a false identification initially. When police checked, they found the man was driving with a suspended license.

Hills police arrested a Farmington man, 56, for driving a teal 1993 GMC Sierra west on Grand River in front of Botsford Hospital at 4:20 p.m. Sept. 15 while drunk. The truck did not yield to an ambulance. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .16 percent.

Hills police arrested a Detroit man, 34, for driving a red 1989 Dodge Dakota on Eight Mile at Ontaga at 11 p.m. Sept. 15 while drunk. The driver refused to

take a blood alcohol test.

Hills police arrested a Littleton, New Hampshire man, 34, for driving a blue 1996 Olds west on Eight Mile at Grand River at 1:25 a.m. Sept. 17 while drunk. The driver refused to take a blood alcohol test.

Hills police arrested a Dearborn Heights man, 51, for driving a white 1989 GMC Safari south on Orchard Lake south of 11 Mile while drunk at 2:45 a.m. Sept. 17. The driver was also charged with carrying concealed weapons, a knife and brass knuckles.

AUTO THEFT

In Farmington Hills:
A \$28,000 green 1996 Toyota Camry was stolen from Bob Saka Toyota on Grand River Sept. 14-16.

Youth centers will benefit from ball

The Farmington Hills Community Foundation for Children, Youth and Families is presenting the second annual Cornucopia Ball fundraiser on Nov. 9. Proceeds raised from the Cornucopia Ball benefit the Foundation's existing and proposed youth centers, as well as other programs for Farmington area youth and families.

"Our goal is to raise \$100,000, which means we're going to need a great deal of support from our community's businesses and individuals," said Richard Daguanno, chair of the Foundation.

The state has awarded federal grant funds for programs through the city of Farmington Hills Commission on Children, Youth and Families.

However, funding for the youth center program and others expires in two years. The Farmington Hills Community Foundation for Children, Youth and Families is a non-profit organization formed through the Commission to carry on funding of these programs when the grant expires.

The first youth center opened

at the William Costick Activities Center in March 1996. New centers are being considered or established in other locations, such as the Farmington Area YMCA.

"Additional funds are necessary to get the centers started and to keep them going," added Daguanno.

"The Commission is working to encourage an environment where children, youth and families are happy, educated, safe and have the opportunity to reach their full potential," said Todd Lips, coordinator of Farmington Hills Area Youth Services.

"For years, there was a lack of programming and space dedicated to our community's young people. In the Farmington community, we've been pulling together to change that. These youth centers are a tangible and major step in a positive direction, and this fundraiser is critical to ensuring their long term viability," said Lips.

"This is an outstanding example of a community putting concerns into action and working together to create a child and family-friendly community," said Nancy Bates, Farmington Hills councilwoman and the driving force behind the creation of the

commission.

Botsford General Hospital has made a generous three-year commitment of \$10,000 per year to the Foundation and, for the second year in a row, will be the honorary host of the Ball. The Farmington Observer has contributed \$10,000 to be a co-sponsor in 1996.

"We are fortunate to live in such a generous community, where the residents and businesses truly care about the well-being of our young people and families," said Joanne Smith, former Farmington Hills mayor and co-chair of the ball. "Last year, we had a tremendous show of support. This year we hope to do even better."

The Cornucopia Ball will be held at the William M. Costick Activities Center in Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$100 per person. "Currently, we are seeking additional sponsorships for several different levels, as well as in-kind donations for the ball and silent auction," said Deborah Grant, Foundation trustee and co-chair of the ball.

For tickets to the Cornucopia Ball, sponsorship opportunities, contributions, or more information, call the Foundation at 473-1841.

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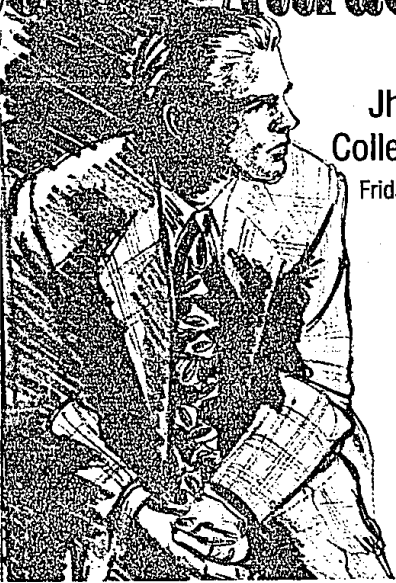


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