

POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

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

ASSAULT AND BATTERY

In Farmington:
Two Farmington Hills men were involved in a fistfight outside the Rustic Pub at Grand River and Lilac at 1 a.m. Oct. 1. Police also stopped a car with four passengers, at least one of whom was involved, according to witnesses. One passenger turned out to have three Livonia police warrants out for his arrest, and was taken into custody.

VANDALISM

In Farmington Hills:
A red 1995 Ford was scratched causing \$500 in damage at Forest Elementary on Old Timber Sept. 20.

The windshield was cracked on a gray 1996 Buick parked at the Brass Point restaurant on Orchard Lake Sept. 29.

A golf cart tarp and battery

charger on a cart at the Brookfield Office Park on Northwestern were damaged (\$300) Oct. 1.

All four tires on a white 1985 Chevrolet van were punctured (\$800) outside a residence on Caryn Street the night of Oct. 2.

The plastic top of a golf cart was cut (\$350) in the parking structure of Etkin Management Services on Northwestern Highway the night of Oct. 2.

A car hit a mailbox (\$100) at Quakeway and Muer Place at 8 a.m. Oct. 3.

A car rammed a garage door (\$600) at Aqua-Tech Irrigation on Halsted between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Oct. 3.

AUTO THEFT

In Farmington Hills:
A blue 1986 Pontiac 6000 worth \$6,000 was stolen from General Bearing Co. on Eight Mile Oct. 1.

A black 1996 Chevrolet Impala worth \$27,000 was stolen from the parking lot of Muirwood Apartments on Muirwood the night of Oct. 3.

THEFT

In Farmington:

A \$120 weed whacker, \$160 cordless drill, \$300 ski boots and \$600 Trek mountain bike were stolen from the garage on Violet the night of Sept. 28.

A \$250 Smith and Wesson handgun was stolen from the same residence Oct. 3. Entry was made through a bathroom window, so police are unsure if there is any connection.

In Farmington Hills:

Computer equipment worth \$1,100 was stolen from an office at Computare on Northwestern Highway and Middlebelt between Sept. 20 and 24.

Two trailer ramps worth \$863 were stolen from Diamond Systems on Haggerty between Sept. 30 and Oct. 1.

A wallet with \$365 in cash was stolen from the Kroger store on Middlebelt Oct. 1.

A back pack with contents (\$370) was stolen from a gray 1987 Ford Tempo parked at the Windemere Apartments on Jefferson Sept. 23.

A \$300 Craftsman lawn mower, \$120 weed trimmer and \$160 paint ball gun were stolen from a garage on Grayfield Oct. 1-2.

A Hills man, 65, said he took off his \$8,000 wedding ring while washing his hands in the restroom of Border's on Orchard Lake and left it behind at 1:15 p.m. Sept. 25. He remembered and called the store, but the ring had not been found.

A \$500 lawn mower and \$475 snowblower were stolen from a garage on Haynes between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Oct. 2.

A sum of \$78 in cash was stolen from a Hills woman who left her purse in the McDonald's restaurant at Orchard Lake and 14 Mile between 1:15-1:30 p.m. Oct. 3.

The hubcaps were stolen (\$160) off of a 1995 Buick Century parked outside the Farmington Hills Library at 12 Mile and Farmington at 3 p.m. Oct. 3.

Three hubcaps were stolen (\$255) off of a 1994 Dodge Caravan parked outside Roosevelt's on Orchard Lake between noon

and 1 p.m. on Oct. 3. A Detroit woman was arrested for shoplifting \$145 worth of clothing from the Kmart on Orchard Lake at 5:45 p.m. Oct. 3.

A \$450 cassette player was stolen from a 1986 Chevrolet Suburban parked outside Botsford Commons on Archwood the afternoon of Oct. 3. Two of the truck's windows were broken.

A radio was stolen from a 1997 Ford Probe parked at Buddy's Pizza on Northwestern highway between 6 p.m. and 9:50 p.m. Oct. 3.

BREAK-INS

In Farmington Hills:

A window and screen were broken causing \$230 in damage at the Green Hill apartments on Green Hill Oct. 1. Nothing was taken.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

In Farmington:

A 27-year-old Denver, Colo., resident was arrested for drunken driving after police noticed

his car swerving near Orchard Lake and Fink at 1:26 a.m. Sept. 30. His preliminary blood test showed a blood-alcohol level of .225. A level of .1 is considered too drunk to drive in Michigan. The man had two prior drunk driving convictions in this state, but none in Colorado.

THREAT

In Farmington:

An employee at the Grand Orchard Party Store on Orchard Lake received a threatening phone call at 10:40 p.m. Oct. 2. A male voice said, "In 10 minutes, someone will come in and shoot you with a gun." The employee tried to use the Star 69 service to call the suspect back, but the suspect's phone was blocked from receiving such callbacks.

DRUG POSSESSION

In Farmington Hills:

A 24-year-old Hills woman was arrested for drunken driving and possession of half a gram of marijuana and drug paraphernalia at Grand River and Tuck at 2:10 a.m. Oct. 4.

Koga to be sentenced on Oct 10

The sentencing date has been changed for Itsumi Koga, the Japanese woman convicted of killing her infant son last November.

Koga, 35, pleaded guilty but mentally ill to voluntary manslaughter in Oakland County Circuit Court on Sept. 3. She had originally been charged with first degree murder, which would have carried a mandatory life sentence.

Koga was living with her husband Akhiro and her 26-day-old son Tomayuki at the Citation Club Apartments. Her sister was also visiting from Japan when she took her son to a pond behind her building late on Nov. 1 and dropped him into it.

The woman was suffering from depression and has been under a psychiatrist's care. Since March, she has been living at her apartment on a tether.

The case, which received international attention, has brought to light the issue of post partum depression, a sometimes debilitating condition for new mothers.

Judge Jessica Cooper will sentence Koga at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, in Oakland Circuit Court in Pontiac.

SWOCC hosts open house

Southwestern Oakland Cable Commission's Info TV-12 is having an open house 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at SWOCC offices, 24021 Research Drive, off 10 Mile Road in the Farmington Hills Freeway Industrial Park.

Visitors will be able to sign up for a TV workshop at no cost and learn how they can produce their own programs.

The only requirement is that those interested must be either residents, employed, own property or a business, attend school, or are affiliated with an organization in Farmington, Farmington Hills or Novi.


For information, call 473-7266.

Tyndale College plans 6-mile hike

Wm. Tyndale College in Farmington Hills will have its annual fund-raising hike and community picnic Saturday, Oct. 12.

The 6-mile walk starts at 9 a.m. from the school's 12 Mile and Drake Road campus and proceed through Farmington Hills. The jaunt will end up at the college where the picnic and volleyball games take place.

This year the college is raising money for scholarships, an upgrade of the computer lab, and for a new library. Last year, 113 students raised money for scholarships.



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