

POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

Here is a summary of the police and fire incidents in the Farmington area during the past week.

THEFT

In Farmington Hills: Eight Playstation video games worth \$480 were rented with a false ID and never returned to a Movie Warehouse on Orchard Lake July 16.

A \$500 Aero Force bow was stolen from a garage on Hidden Valley July 31.

A \$1,000 worth of scrap metal was stolen from Norma Products on Crestview Court Aug. 3.

A Farmington Hills boy, 15, was arrested in connection to a theft from a vehicle at Timberidge Apartments Aug. 4. Two white males were seen stealing a coin purse from an unlocked 1994 Saturn parked on Timberidge Circle and fled on foot when a witness yelled at them. Officers saw two teens matching the description in West River Plaza parking lot near Target. The pair ran away and were chased by officers on foot. Police caught one of the teens, who was carrying a stolen cellular phone.

BURGLARY

In Farmington Hills: Two television sets were stolen after the window screen was cut at a Charter House residence on Middlebelt July 31. The residents were asleep at the time the theft occurred.

BAD CHECKS

In Farmington Hills: A man deposited two checks for \$38,400 and \$42,375 and received \$3,500 in cash at First Federal of Michigan on 12 Mile Road May 6 and 12. Both checks bounced and the bank reported it lost \$7,354.

FELONY WARRANT

In Farmington: A Detroit man, seen wandering for hours Sunday between the Shell gas station at Grand River and Power and nearby Sammy's Pizza, was arrested and turned over to the Detroit police department on a felony warrant.

An employee at the Shell station spotted the man, who appeared mentally disturbed and possibly homeless, drifting back and forth between the two businesses for eight hours.

When Farmington public safety officers questioned the wanderer, about 9:45 p.m., it was learned he was wanted by Detroit police, for a vandalism incident where more than \$100 in property damage was caused. The suspect was handcuffed and held at the Farmington station until he could be turned over to Detroit police. The suspect apparently last lived with his grandmother.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested a Farmington Hills woman, 27, for drunken

driving on westbound Grand River near Drake Road at 11:52 p.m. Aug. 1. Police stopped the 1986 BMW S26 for driving without its headlights on. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .21 percent, which is more than twice the legal limit to operate a motor vehicle in Michigan.

Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 46, for drunken driving on southbound Orchard Lake Aug. 2. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .13 percent. The man was also arrested for drunken driving July 29.

Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 54, for operating a 1969 Harley Davidson while drunk on Middlebelt and 10 Mile at 10 p.m. Aug. 2. Police stopped the bike after it was traveling erratically. The rider had a blood alcohol level of .18 percent.

Police arrested a Detroit man, 39, for drunken driving on southbound Orchard Lake near I-696 Aug. 3. Police stopped the Ford Thunderbird after it made a left turn going south into northbound Orchard Lake before moving into southbound lanes. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .26 percent. A passenger was ticketed for having open intoxicants after police found two 40-ounce bottles of Magnam beer. Two children ages 4 and 5 were also passengers in the vehicle.

BREAK INS

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested two Detroit males, ages 17 and 15, after witnesses saw a pair of teens break into a 1992 Plymouth Sundance at Botsford Apartments at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 2. A resident told police he came out with a gun while he called police. Neighbors came out to keep an eye on the pair until police arrived. Police confiscated the gun after it was found not to be registered.

MARIJUANA POSSESSION

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested a Clawson man, 35, for marijuana possession after finding 2 grams in the 1990 Geo Tracker he was in on 14 Mile and Orchard Lake around 6:15 p.m. Aug. 2. Police stopped the vehicle after receiving a report of a man drinking while driving. Police found the marijuana and a 22-ounce beer bottle with foam in it.

A Redford male, 18, was arrested after police found two plastic bags with 4 grams of marijuana in his pants pocket at an Independence Green Apartment residence on Jefferson Court Aug. 3. Police went to the home on a report of juveniles fighting. The fight started after a teenage male was struck over the head with a beer bottle.

DRUG ARREST

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested a Detroit male, 20, for possession of crack cocaine and marijuana after

finding the drugs in a 1984 Cadillac DeVille during a traffic stop on Orchard Lake near 11 Mile Aug. 3. The vehicle was stopped for a broken tail light. Police found a rock and a marijuana roach under the front seat during a search. The driver said it belonged to his girlfriend who was in the vehicle earlier.

AUTO THEFT

In Farmington Hills: A 15-year-old Farmington Hills boy was arrested after a teen was seen getting into several trucks and trying to drive them at Alcar Industries on Sundydale Aug. 2. Police arrived and saw the youth drive a 1987 Dodge D-200 into the front gate. When officers stopped the teen, the kid said he just wanted to drive the truck around the block.

CHILD NEGLECT

In Farmington Hills: Police were called to Farmington Mobile Manor after a 2-year-old boy was found playing a few feet away from Eight Mile Road Aug. 2. A woman said she grabbed the child so he wouldn't be hit by a vehicle pulling into the mobile park. The child was dirty and had a soiled diaper. When police went to the trailer, the mother was passed out in a chair and smelled of alcohol. Beer bottles were strewn across the kitchen floor, police reports said. After the mother was dirty and she blamed the door lock and friends not shutting the door for the reason the child wandered outside. The child was turned over to a man who was sleeping in the rear bedroom.

STOLEN PROPERTY

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested a Detroit man, 43, and a Detroit woman, 46, and a Southfield woman, 35, after finding 60 packages of Duracell batteries valued at \$260 in the 1990 Chevy Lumina they were in during a traffic stop on Eight Mile near Delaware Aug. 5. Police stopped the vehicle after it matched the description of one involved in a theft of cigarettes from Farmer Jack on Farmington and Nine Mile roads. The driver denied knowing the batteries were in the vehicle. The Kroger store on Eight Mile in Livonia reported several battery packages missing from a display in the store.

MALIGNANT MISCHIEF

In Farmington: Officers received two reports within three days of a vehicle being egged in the 23000 block of Violet. Both times the vehicle was parked in the street.

The first incident occurred between 10 p.m. last Wednesday, July 30, and 10 a.m. the following day. The second egging took place between midnight to 5 a.m. on Saturday. There was no estimate of damage. There were no witnesses or suspects, according to public safety reports.

Dancers earn Caribbean raves

Ilene's Dance Electric Company has gone international.

A group of 41 young performers danced their way across the Caribbean recently, on a seven-day cruise where they were invited to show their steps. "They danced twice on the cruise ship," said Ilene Schleuning, director of the Farmington Hills dance studio. "They got to kind of live the life of a professional entertainer."

After two 30-minute performances, Schleuning said, the young dancers - age 8 to 18 - got a chance to participate in a question and answer session with the ship's regular troupe of dancers. "It was really exciting for them," she said.

The cruise ship visited Montego Bay, Cozumel and Grand Cayman. And, while they stopped in Cozumel, the guests got a chance to perform again for the Mexican people. In return, "they treated us like royalty," Schleuning said, with tours of the island and performances of folk dances by natives.

The trip included Dance Electric staff plus the parents and siblings of many of the 41 young dancers. Because they were performing, their



Dance trio: Chantelle Violet, left, Leann Abbott and Rachel Garipey perform in the Caribbean.

cruise rate was "very much discounted," Schleuning said.

Ilene's Dance Electric offers ballet, tap, jazz and other dance training, plus voice and piano lessons. It's on Crestview Court in Farmington Hills.

Borders plans reopening this weekend

Sometimes a book is even better than a second time around. Borders believes that to be true with bookstores, too.

To celebrate its major remodeling, the Farmington Hills outlet on Orchard Lake, south of 14 Mile, hosts a grand reopening this weekend, which starts 2 p.m. Friday with safety demonstrations by Farmington Hills police and fire departments.

Those who attend will be able to climb on a fire engine, sit in a police car and meet Sparky the fire dog. Police and fire crews return 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

A portion from the weekend's proceeds will be donated to the Farmington Hills Police & Fire

Benevolent Association.

"It gives us a chance to mingle with the community and get our message out, which we like to do anyway," said Rich Marinucci, Farmington Hills fire chief. "And it raises money for the benevolent association. We thought it was a natural tie in."

Along with smoke and sirens, there's an assortment of music, exhibits and activities planned.

The event will celebrate some major changes in the store, including removing walls between books and music and shuffling locations of sections, said Judy Volk, community relations coordinator. Maps will be distributed to help customers.

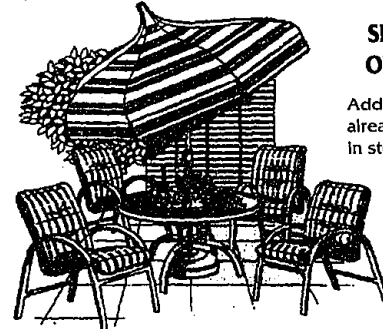
The Buzzrats with their new CD "A Tiny Speck in a Ruthless Universe" perform 8-10 p.m. Friday.

A kids' sidewalk chalk art contest at 11 a.m. kicks off things Saturday, which will be highlighted by the opening reception of a photographic exhibit of France. Classic Touch String Trio will perform during the exhibit.

"Photography of France" by Frank and Kelly Nachman of West Bloomfield will be on display through Aug. 30 and 10 percent of sales will be donated to the Karmans Cancer Institute.

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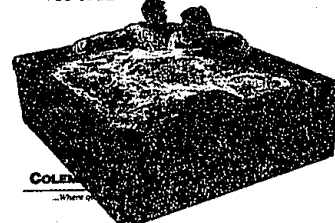
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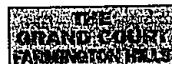
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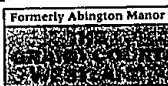
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