

## POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

The following were police and fire incidents in Farmington and Farmington Hills during the past week.

**FIRE**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Firefighters made 88 runs Oct. 20-26, including three structure fires and one car fire. In a kitchen fire on Broadway Oct. 26, a man suffered minor burns after curtains caught fire when he tried to extinguish flames on a stove. Damage was estimated at \$5,100.

**MARIJUANA POSSESSION**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police ticketed a Southfield man, 22, after finding a plastic bag containing 2 grams of marijuana in a 1992 Mercury involved in a two-vehicle accident on Grand River near Halsted Oct. 27.

**BURGLARY**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Cash totaling \$205 was stolen after entry was made through the ceiling at Realcomp II Limit-

ed on Orchard Lake between Oct. 24-27.  
**FLEEING POLICE**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a Southfield man, 34, after a 1986 Chevy station wagon led officers on a chase that ended on Beech Daly and Shiuwassee around 9 p.m. Oct. 27. Police tried to stop the vehicle on English after the driver made a turn onto southbound Inkster Road from eastbound Beacon Square. The car slowed down but suddenly sped off, reaching speeds of 90 miles an hour in a 35 mile zone. Dispatchers informed the officers the driver was reported missing, suicidal and possibly armed.

At one point, the driver gave officers the middle finger out of the window. The chase continued east on Shiuwassee and north on Seminole where the vehicle turned off its lights. The driver went east on Nine Mile and south on Beech Daly before stop-

ping. The driver also threw out a beer bottle as he passed Rougewood. The driver refused to give officers any information and had to be identified by his parents, who came to the station.

**GUNS CONFISCATED**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Officers seized four guns for safekeeping after a man threatened to kill himself at a Creek-side residence Oct. 27. Officers talked the man, who appeared unstable and agitated and found a loaded gun lying on the bed. Police found two bolt action rifles and one lever action rifle. The man was reportedly despondent after losing his job, police reports said. He was taken to Botsford Hospital for observation.

**STOLEN VEHICLE RECOVERED**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a 16-year-old Detroit boy after stopping a stolen 1995 Dodge Caravan on eastbound I-696 and Inkster at 2:30 a.m. Oct. 28. The vehicle was swerving on the road after pulling out from the Comfort Inn, police reports said.

The driver, who didn't have a license, appeared to be intoxicated and had a blood alcohol level of .15 percent. He told police he didn't know how he ended up in Farmington Hills or how he got the vehicle, which had the ignition popped out. He claimed he was kidnapped by two other males in Detroit. The van was stolen from

a Detroit address earlier in the day.

**THEFT**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A credit card was stolen from a 96-year-old woman at Hamilton House on Drake between Oct. 17-24.

Between 30 to 35 compact discs worth \$500 were stolen from a Fox Pointe residence Sept. 26.

A \$250 man's leather coat was stolen from Glen Oaks Country Club on 13 Mile Oct. 24. A wallet with an undisclosed amount of cash was stolen from a purse at Botsford Commons Oct. 24.

**In Farmington:**  
 Residents of The Greenery, 34225 Grand River, Saturday reported that a Michigan National Bank ATM card and Mervyn's credit card were missing, and being used by whoever took them. The cards were apparently missing since Sept. 20, the date when the Mervyn's card was used to make a purchase.

Saturday, one of the victims received a phone call from an employee at the Target store in Westland. The employee said someone was making suspicious questions while making a purchase with an ATM card, such as how much money was in the account.

The Michigan National account was then put on hold. But it had been used enough to lower the balance from \$3,000 to

about \$500, according to reports. Westland police are investigating.

**BREAK INS**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A CD player, compact discs and a cell phone were stolen after entry was made through the driver's door by tarring the convertible top of a 1989 Chevy Cavalier parked at Windemere Apartments on Independence between Oct. 25-26, causing \$500 damage.

A car stereo was stolen after the locks were punched on a 1994 Ford Aspire parked at Corian Carpet on Halsted between Oct. 25-26, causing more than \$100 damage.

A \$300 cellular phone was stolen after the driver's side window was smashed with a large rock on a GMC Jimmy parked on Fox Club Oct. 28, causing \$300 damage. A \$300 cellular phone and \$500 landscape light were stolen after a passenger side window was broken on a 1997 Chevy Tahoe also parked on Fox Club between Oct. 26-27, causing \$300 damage.

**WEAPONS**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police confiscated a night stick and a boot knife from a 1993 Mercury Sable parked outside Marvelous Marvin's Oct. 24. Police questioned occupants of the vehicle after noticing they were videotaping. The weapons were "for protection," the driver told police.

**DRUNKEN DRIVING**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 Police arrested a Novi man, 27, for drunken driving on southbound Middlebelt near Grand River at 10 p.m. Oct. 24. Police stopped the 1993 Chevy Beretta after it was seen swerving on the road.

The driver had a blood alcohol level of .15 percent, which is above the legal limit of .10 percent. Police found a marijuana pipe and also ticketed the driver for narcotics paraphernalia.

Police arrested a Clinton Township man, 38, for drunken driving on 14 Mile and Halsted 1:30 a.m. Oct. 26. Police stopped the 1986 Chevy van after it was swerving. The driver had a blood

alcohol level of .25 percent. Police arrested a Royal Oak woman, 38, for drunken driving on eastbound 12 Mile and Reelcrest at 1:23 a.m. Oct. 26. Police stopped the 1998 Neon after it struck the curb twice and crossed lanes three times. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .12 percent.

Police arrested a Southfield man, 28, for drunken driving on Northwestern and Middlebelt at 1:55 a.m. Oct. 27. Police stopped the 1997 Ford Expedition after it was seen weaving in the road. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .14 percent.

**BURGLARY**  
**In Farmington Hills:**  
 A \$125 cordless drill was stolen after entry was made through a trailer window at Federated Financial Building on Northwestern Highway between Oct. 24-25, causing \$20 damage.

A cordless phone was stolen after entry was made through a garage door at a Westgate residence Oct. 25.

**ARMED ROBBERY**  
**In Farmington:**  
 Police so far have no leads in the 11:15 p.m. Friday armed robbery of the Mobil gas station-mini mart, 3330 Eight Mile. According to reports, a Mobil employee was stocking a shelf near the back of the store when he was approached by a man holding a long knife in his right hand, above his head. The employee was ordered to empty the cash register and then was taken to a back room, where he was told to stay. As soon as the victim heard the front door close, he came out of the room, dashed out into the parking lot, but didn't see the suspect or a vehicle.

About \$500 in cash was taken, as well as a carton of Newport, valued at \$22.50. The incident was captured on videotape. The assailant was a light complexioned black male, age 18-20, about 5-foot-9, 130-140 pounds, wearing a Florida Seminoles sweatshirt, dark wool cap, wool gloves and a surgical mask over the lower part of his face.

The knife was described as a kitchen-type, with a wooden handle and 8- to 12-inch blade.

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