

POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

The following items are some police and fire incidents that occurred in Farmington and Farmington Hills during the past week.

FIRES

In Farmington Hills: Firefighters from Stations 1 and 5 responded to a chimney fire at a home on Martel Street at 3:15 p.m. Nov. 29. Firefighters found the flue wasn't open, causing smoke to billow into the home. The windows were opened to ventilate the home.

Firefighters from Stations 4 and 5 were called to an apartment building fire on Crest Forest at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 28, which was started after a gas line snapped when someone was mowing a lawn in the laundry room. Firefighters put out the fire and shut off gas to half the building at Country Ridge Apartments. Damage was estimated at \$3,000.

PROWLER

In Farmington Hills: Police ticketed a 27-year-old man, 22, for prowling after a man in dark clothing was seen shining a flashlight inside a garage on Vessex around 3:20 a.m. Nov. 27. Police observed the man stop on the street and turn off the headlights on a 1992 Chevy S-10 pickup but left the vehicle running while he exited and walked towards the house. A resident told police the man is her daughter's former boyfriend.

INDECENT EXPOSURE

In Farmington Hills: A woman said a man had his pants down to his ankles and was fondling himself outside her Newport Creek Apartment unit 745 a.m. Nov. 29. The man was using his other hand to cover his face to conceal his identity.

He is described as a white male, aged 35 to 40, with a dark mustache.

SHOPLIFTING

In Farmington Hills: A Livonia woman, 41, was arrested after store security witnessed a woman try to leave with \$128 worth of clothing under her coat at Kohl's on Grand River Nov. 26.

ILLEGAL SHOE SWAP

In Farmington: A 45-year-old Livonia man was arrested for retail fraud after attempting an illegal shoe swap about 12:45 p.m. Sunday at the Shoe Carnival, 23296 Farmington Road. A man entered the store wearing a used pair of brown Rockport walking shoes. He proceeded to the shoe display area, took his old shoes off and put on a new pair. He put his old shoes into the box and then walked past the registers and out of the store, where two employees stopped him. The Rockports were valued at \$74.

ASSAULT

In Farmington Hills: A cook at Leo's Coney Island said he was struck above the left eyebrow by another cook during an argument around noon Nov. 26. The victim said the suspect was holding metal hot dog tongs at the time of the assault.

A Canfield Street resident said he was assaulted after trying to grab another man who was destroying a mailbox with a baseball bat Nov. 27. He apprehended the vandal who had dropped the baseball bat in an attempt to flee. The man was then "body checked" by a passerby in the suspect vehicle, allowing both to flee. The vandal was described as an Asian male in his early 20s wearing a black down coat, which was torn during the struggle.

Police arrested a Detroit man, 50, for assault and battery after a security guard was punched in the head after taking a belligerent person to leave the emergency area of Dotsford Hospital Nov. 28.

MARIJUANA POSSESSION

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested four Detroit men, ages 21, 23, 21 and 18, for possession of marijuana with intent to deliver after finding 35 grams of the drug in the 1978 Chevy Monte Carlo on Orchard Lake north of 13 Mile Nov. 28. Police stopped the vehicle for having a loud exhaust and noticed a strong odor of marijuana. Most of the marijuana was found in coats inside the trunk. One plastic bag contained 14 smaller coin-sized bags of the drug.

MALICIOUS MISCHIEF

In Farmington: A resident in the 22000 block of Floral Street found a dead skunk on his front lawn and other parts of the dead animal's carcass on the front porch Saturday morning. The resident said he believed the persons responsible for the act know his wife.

Police are investigating three possible suspects. The incident occurred sometime between 1-9 a.m.

THEFT

In Farmington Hills: A sum of \$300 cash and checks were stolen from an Autumn Ridge residence between Nov. 10-23.

A total of \$10,000 worth of plumbers' tools were stolen from a garage at a Rockwell residence Nov. 28.

A 35 millimeter Minolta camera, pager and cellular phone were stolen from a Bunker Hill residence Nov. 25.

A cellular phone and 50 compact discs were stolen from a 1990 Pontiac Sunbird parked on Deer Run Nov. 29.

A purse containing \$60 cash and credit cards and a cellular phone were stolen from an unlocked 1997 Dodge Caravan parked on Quakerway Nov. 30.

A cellular phone and backpack containing school books were stolen from a 1997 Honda Accord parked on High Valley Court Nov. 30.

BURGLARY

In Farmington Hills: A \$2,000 Nova computer and a \$400 fax machine were stolen after entry was gained through a window at Baines and Gorekin on Hamilton Court Nov. 26, causing \$100 damage. Pry marks were found on a safe. A window was smashed out by the suspect on his exit.

Two safes were damaged extensively but not opened in a burglary at Rite Aid in the Muirwood Plaza on Grand River and Drake between 10:30 a.m. Nov. 28 and 4:05 a.m. Nov. 27. Police noticed the alarm bell box was laying on the ground near the door and went inside to investigate. Both safes had been hammered, pried and cut with a grinder. Phone wires were cut and merchandise was strewn through the store. Police believe entry was made through the rear door.

A homeowner may have scared off a burglar after she returned to her Parkwood residence around 10 p.m. Nov. 29. She noticed all the interior lights

were broken a 1986 Chevrolet Sports Van parked on Crunk Bend between Nov. 28-Dec. 1, causing under \$100 damage.

Airbags were stolen from 16 1998 Dodge Ram 1500 trucks parked at Bob Saks Dodge on Grand River between Nov. 29-Dec. 1. The doors were pried open on several of the vehicles.

A \$5,000 desktop computer was stolen from a Dodge minivan parked on Huntsman between Nov. 30-Dec. 1.

A camcorder, cellular phone and baby clothes were stolen from a 1995 Jeep Cherokee parked on Bycroft Street between Nov. 30-Dec. 1.

DISORDERLY PERSON

In Farmington Hills: An Averhill resident called police after finding a .38 caliber handgun while removing foliage in his back yard Nov. 27. The gun had extensive rust and appeared to have been there for a while.

In Farmington Hills: Police arrested a Howell male, 19, for disorderly conduct after he swore and spit at emergency technicians who were trying to treat him for facial cuts after he was beaten by three others Nov. 19.

The fight started after the male groped a woman's breasts and crotch at a house he and two friends were visiting in Farmington Hills. The two brothers questioned the teen about the sexual assault on their cousin when the male got out and kicked the door and broke the window of the 1993 Pontiac Sunbird, causing \$200 damage.

A scuffle ensued in which the male was cut above the eye. He proceeded to bang on doors at houses on Bella Vista when police were called. Though bleeding profusely, he continued to be belligerent to officers and EMT personnel. He was taken to Botsford Hospital where it was found he had a blood alcohol level of .16 percent.

The owner of the 1993 Pontiac Sunbird plans to press charges for vandalism and the woman wants to file charges against the male for criminal sexual conduct.

Fire personnel had to force the restroom door open after a man barricaded himself inside and began shouting obscenities at the White Castle on Eight Mile Road around 5:15 p.m. Dec. 1.

The man, 33, has a history of mental illness and was taken to his father's residence.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In Farmington Hills:

Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 25, after a woman said she was slapped in the face, choked and had her hair pulled by her live-in boyfriend Nov. 30. Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 39, after a husband slapped his wife several times in the face and had a her hair pulled out during an argument Dec. 1. Officer saw strands of the woman's hair on the kitchen table. The victim's neck was scratched and her cheek was red.

STOLEN CHECKS

In Farmington Hills:

Four of six payroll checks stolen from Rashid Garage Doors on Freedom have been cashed for more than \$1,000 between Nov. 1-Dec. 1. One check for \$225 was cashed at A&W on Grand River in Farmington. The description of the person cashing the checks matched one of a Rashid employee, who fled from the business when confronted by the owner.

VANDALISM

In Farmington Hills:

The front windows were broken on two 1987 Chevy F2500 trucks parked at Hartman and Tyner on Hunters Drive between Nov. 29-Dec. 1, causing \$1,000 damage.

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