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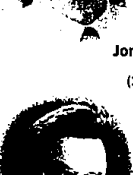
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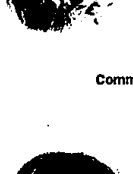
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Internet CSC prelim adjourned

Wednesday afternoon's preliminary examination of a Farmington Hills man charged with multiple counts of criminal sexual conduct was adjourned until Friday, May 4.

Joshua Bandi's exam has been re-scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday, May 4, before 47th District Judge Fred Harris.

Bandi, 33, faces 11 counts stemming from accusations that he allegedly had sex with an 11-year-old girl from Flint, whom he met in an Internet chat room. Bond was continued at \$1 million bond. Bandi remains in the Oakland County Jail.

The charges include two of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, both punishable by up to life in prison; five counts of second-degree criminal sexual conduct; three counts of sexual

assault with intent to commit sexual penetration; and one count of Internet computer communication, said a 47th District Court clerk.

According to Farmington Hills Assistant Police Chief Chuck Nebus, the man and the girl met in an Internet chat room in February. The relationship escalated to phone conversations and several in-person meetings.

Subsequently, the girl was reported missing by her mother and when officers were taking a missing person's report the girl showed up crying, Nebus said.

E-mail from the suspect addressed to the girl was found on the home computer.

Assistant Prosecutor Mary Mara and Bandi's defense attorney, Lee O'Brien of Southfield, agreed to the adjournment.

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18-23, about 5-foot-10, 160 lbs., wearing dark clothing with hoods.

Police Friday afternoon released a composite sketch of the ice pick-wielding suspect, and had the Eddie Bauer men's dial watch on display for photographs.

The watch is silver, with a dark blue dial that has three eyes — for the day, date and 24 hours.

It also features triangular marks at the 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10 spots on the dial and a fake diver's ring around the

crystal.

Meanwhile, the police department is offering a \$2,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the suspects.

Investigators are looking into the possibility that Thursday's attack is related to similar incidents occurring since March 31 in West Bloomfield. One of those cases involved a Hungry Howie's pizza delivery person.

Anyone with information should contact Hills Police Chief William Dwyer at (248) 473-9602 or Lee, at (248) 473-9682.

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University Business

The owner of University Business Interiors, a contract office furniture dealership in Farmington Hills, will receive Haworth Inc.'s President's Circle Award for being one of highest achieving dealers in sales and customer satisfaction.

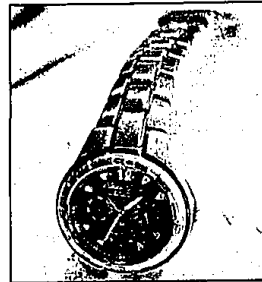
This is the second time in the four years since he founded his company that Joseph P. Lozowski has won the prestigious award. Haworth Inc. is a world-leading supplier of office and institutional furniture and seating and is based in Holland, Mich.

University Business Interiors is a leading provider of interior design and office furniture systems. It opened its doors in 1996 and, last year, achieved approxi-

mately \$20 million in sales. Recent "wins" include a \$3 million contract with Northwest Airlines to provide most of the furniture, except the passenger seating, at the new terminal currently under construction at Detroit Metro Airport.

Lozowski has been in the contract office furniture business since 1981. Prior to beginning his own company, the Michigan native was vice president and general manager for sales and construction for Contract Interiors Inc., formerly one of the major custom furniture companies in the region.

Lozowski earned his bachelor of science degree from the University of Michigan in 1981. A resident of Northville, he and his wife have two children.



Watch out: Police hope fingerprints lifted from this Eddie Bauer men's watch will lead them to two suspects in the attempted armed robbery of a Domino's pizza delivery driver.

One of the suspects threatened the driver with an ice pick; however, he was not injured.

PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Success from page A2

bond are met, Success must remain on an electronic tether and have no contact "of any kind" with the alleged victim, a member of the minister's Farmington household.

"If a bondsman takes him out (of jail)," said Harris in his office later, "there is to be no contact, direct, indirect or of any kind with the family."

According to a Farmington Public Safety Department press release about the charges, Success "allegedly had sexually assaulted a household member, numerous times over an approximate period of five

years."

The alleged attacks usually took place in an office area in the minister's Farmington residence, said police reports.

The suspect's wife and the victim both came forward to report the history of assaults on March 21, stated a press release which was attached to the police reports.

Matthews said she was ready to let her client take the stand because she was willing to.

"It's part of her healing process," Matthews said. "She doesn't want this to happen to somebody else."

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