Police seek recovery of radioactive device

Aradioactive device stolen Aradioactive device stolen Aug. 2 could pose a health risk to someone possessing it, so its sower and police are seeking its return, no questions asked.

The yellow radioactive gauging device, owned by NTH Consultants, Ltd., was discovered missing from the back of a pick-up truck at 7:30 a.m. The pickup was parked in the 3500 block of Stratton Hills.

"We are cooperating with the company as far as attempting to locate the device," said Bill Dwyer, Farmington Hills police chief. "If someone has knowledge of its location, or even if the perpetrator provides the information they can remain anonymous."

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Jim Parsons NTH Consultants, Ltd.

which is somewhat larger than a shoebox, said company spokesperson Jim Parsons. The gauge contains small

spokesperson Jim Parsons.

The gauge contains small amounts of Cesium 137, Americium 241 and Beryllium. It is used to measure moisture and density of construction materi-

density of construction materials.

The device had been locked in the bed of the truck. The case is 3-feet long, 1-foot wide and 2-feet high. The labels 'Radious trive II' can be spotted on the sides of the case.

The company is asking that anyone finding or possessing the device call Farmington Hills Police at 248-473-9694 or Par-

Parsons suid the radioactive materials in the device are likely no larger than pea-sized. They are scaled in glass, then encased in metal.

He said that even if the thief smashed open the device, the exposure to radiation "would be nothing life-threatening."

You would have to hold on to it for a period of days." Parsons and, adding, "It's virtually impossible to become exposed."

He said it could be the thief mistook the case for a laser device used for surveying. "Inat laser comes in a case very similar to the case the gage is in. There is a market for stolen laser equipment," he said.

"We're hoping that whoever got a hold of this thing will realize it's not what they thought it was. We'll come pick it up." Parsons said.

After successfully completing advanced camp and graduating from college, the cadet will be commissioned as a second lieutenant to serve in the US Army, National Guard, or Reserve.



Too hot to handle?: The owners of a device used to measure moisture in construction materials say that the amount of radioactive material in it probably won't hurt the people who took it. The gauging device belongs to NTH Consultants, Ltd. and was taken out of the back of a truck. Hills police say whoever took can return it by calling in its location, so authorities can pick it up.

Wanted: Authorities

Wanted: Authorities are looking for Jim Thompson again, after he allegedly paid young men to hurt him.

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Thompson quit reporting to the probation department in Sanilac County on or about June

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He is the son of Helen Amayo of Farmington Hills. Amayo graduated in 2000 from Farmington High School.

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