

POLICE CALLS

The following reports are from the Farmington Hills Police Department.

BANK SCAM

A teller who worked at a Farmington Hills bank has told police she and seven accomplices defrauded the bank out of \$92,000.

Hills police said in an incident report that the teller, 23, of Southfield, cashed bad checks from her station for accomplices between Dec. 13-21 at Standard Federal Bank, 30000 Grand River.

Police are interviewing the suspects, to seek charges against the group.

SNOW BLOWER GONE

A \$250 Sears snow blower was reported missing Jan. 14 from an attached garage on Doreen. Hills police said there are no suspects in the theft. The report did not state if the garage was locked.

TOOLS GONE

A bag of tools was taken from a Ford van parked Jan. 14 at 23925 Industrial Park Drive, the owner reported to Hills police.

A thief broke the rear van window to get inside. The owner had yet to determine the value of the tools, at the time the report was written.

OUT FOR A SPIN

A \$70,000 Range Rover was reported stolen Jan. 14 from Land Rover Inc., 38200 Grand River.

A salesman told Hills police a woman asked to test drive the vehicle, and allowed her license to be photocopied, as is customary with such test drives. Yet, she failed to return after 15 minutes, as she earlier agreed to, the report continued.

ATTEMPTED BREAK-IN

A Hamilton Street homeowner foiled a possible break-in when

he returned home, scaring off a man who was trying to break into his attached garage during the evening hours of Jan. 14.

The homeowner told police he saw a man flee the garage, and noticed the door knob had been damaged. He described the man as white, 6 feet 1 inch and 170 pounds, and wearing a dark hooded jacket.

MORE TOOLS TAKEN

A miter saw and table saw were among power tools valued at nearly \$1,500 reported missing Jan. 15 from the J and E Installation warehouse at 32242 Eight Mile, according to a report filed with Hills police.

Police said the door to the warehouse storage area had been closed, but left unlocked.

THREATENED WITH KNIFE

Farmington Hills police are seeking to charge a local man with felonious assault after he

allegedly threatened his former Northville girlfriend, 28, with a knife.

The woman told police the man on Jan. 15 cut her neck 10 times with a kitchen knife, after she came to his home to talk about their relationship. She reported the incident the next day, according to the police report.

The police report did not state an age for the man, nor did it state if he had been arrested.

Historical Society members to meet

Show and tell, a meeting of the Farmington Historical Society is scheduled for 8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Farmington Branch Library in downtown Farmington.

Members share stories and present artifacts of historic interest which are often unusual antiques.

The meeting is open to the public.

Homeowners discuss deed restrictions

Can two sets of rules become one?

It's not as easy as it sounds when it comes to private homeowners associations and city hall.

At the Council of Homeowners Associations of Farmington Hills recent meeting, members talked with some city officials in an informal setting about a homeowners association's deed restrictions somehow aligning with city ordinances.

If a person puts up a fence that meets city standards, but falls short for a homeowners association rule, the result can be hurt feelings and loss of money, said one member during a general discussion.

He said the city should put association restrictions on file at city hall as a way to avoid miss-

ing one set of rules.

Councilwoman Vicki Barnett said, "I don't think the city is going to take responsibility for disseminating your deed restrictions. You need to have your group sign off" on the restrictions or tell the city who to call.

But, she pointed out, the city likely has outdated names of subdivision association officers, which makes the process complicated.

Members said there may be a way to have a contact list set up at city hall whenever residents apply for permits.

Barnett said the topic would be a good item to discuss at the city's next goals and objectives meeting. A date for that meeting has not been set.

- By Paul R. Pace

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