

Courts Fine High-Speed Driver \$750

Fleeing at high speed from police in Garden City, Dearborn Heights, Livonia and Farmington, will cost a 20-year-old Livonia man \$750 by the time he finishes paying fines levied in Livonia and Dearborn Heights.

In addition, he was already spent five weekends in jail in Farmington for the reckless driving which began June 27 in Garden City, continued in Dearborn Heights and Livonia and ended in a smash-up into a utility pole in Farmington.

Livonia Municipal Judge James McCann fined the speeder, John J. Sokach, 20, of 12245 Inkster Road, the unusually high figure of \$400 when he appeared Jan. 9 in court.

Health Center Slates Classes For Diabetics

The next series of classes for persons with diabetes and their families will be held at the Wayne County Health Center on Merriman Road in Elio.

All diabetics, regardless of age, may attend with written approval from their physicians. Families of diabetics are urged to attend also. Children under 14 should be accompanied by their parents.

Each class series consists of five classes consecutive Monday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. The material on diabetes will be presented by a physician, a public health nurse and a nutritionist.

The object of the class is to stress the importance of the diabetic patient's cooperation with his physician and his responsibility in caring for himself in order to lead a normal and healthful existence.

Persons interested in the classes starting Jan. 16, should register by calling the Wayne County Department of Health, PA 1-0209 or CR 4-2800, extension 6901.

Sokach pleaded guilty to speeding 110 miles an hour on Farmington Road, zoned for 40. He paid \$75 and is to pay off the balance of \$325 in the next three months.

Dearborn Heights charged him with reckless driving for which he was fined \$100 plus probation costs of \$150, and driving on a suspended license for which he was fined \$100 for probation costs. Sokach has made a partial payment on these fines.

Sokach's flight began at 2:38 a.m. when a Garden City patrolman tried to stop him after his car went through a stop sign near Warren and Inkster Roads. The driver took off in his souped-up '57 model car, through Dearborn Heights where another patrol car took up the pursuit.

Meanwhile a second Garden City patrol car, driven by Patrolman Dennis Joki, joined in.

After weaving on to some side streets, Sokach went up on a lawn to elude Joki who had set up a road block on one street while his companions chased the speeder down another.

Joki chased Sokach, whom he said, "was running at speeds over 100 miles an hour on Inkster, through red traffic signals at Joy, and West Chicago."

After some more devious twisting on side roads, Sokach headed west on West Chicago, driving without lights during part of his flight.

Zooming on to Farmington Road at the southern Livonia City limits, Sokach headed north at high speed, during which a Livonia squad car had to reverse direction to take up the chase.

Joki said Sokach speeded through red lights at Plymouth and Schoolcraft Roads and those at Five, Six, Seven, and Eight Mile Roads.

"I was traveling at 110 miles per hour and couldn't catch him," the officer said.

Between Eight and Nine Mile Roads, Joki's right rear tire blew out, but he was able to stop his vehicle without mishap.

Meanwhile Farmington Police picked up the pursuit which ended when Sokach tried to elude the officers by turning into a service station on Grand River Ave., five blocks southeast of Farmington Road, and then fled after his car crashed into a utility pole, inflicting a head injury.

He was found two hours later sleeping in a parked car. He was sentenced, in Farmington, to jail on the charge of reckless driving.

"The entire chase took six minutes," Joki stated.

"Why did Sokach flee?"

"He panicked," said his attorney Evan Callanan of Garden City, "because he was driving on a suspended license and didn't want to get a ticket."

Carried in this case because Sokach was charged with traffic violations in three communities.

"It was all part of the same offense," he said, "and I feel he should have been charged under the state law (rather than city ordinances) for reckless driving and driving on a suspended license."

Callanan also objected to the high fines levied.

"Traffic fines should not be used as a source of revenues for cities," he explained. "They should be used to rehabilitate drivers."

Not one of these communities ordered Sokach to attend Driver Improvement School.

Sokach has lost his right to drive for one year. In 1955 his license was suspended for one month and last year for six months, from Feb. 18 to Aug. 18 because of his unsatisfactory driving record.

Oh, yes. He was charged with disobeying the stop sign in Garden City which is an additional \$5.

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WESTLAND JOYCEES President James DeMoss (left) and Mayor Thomas H. Brown joined scissor-cutting bands Sunday afternoon in the formal dedication of the 21-acre Joycees Park on Wildwood and Hunter. The land has been graded and initial facilities are to be completed this spring. At the ceremony, Dave Damask and Bob Eads were flag bearers; Nick Petlicka and Randy Kovach made up the color guard; and Ralph Ashley, Commander of VFW Post 3223 presented an American flag. Closing out the program were comments by DeMoss; the dedication by the mayor; and concluding remarks by Jack Maloney, chairman of the Parks and Recreation Council.

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