

3 Hills teens held on B&E charges

Three Farmington Hills teens face charges of breaking and entering, and two of the three are charged with felony firearm possession, in connection with the break-in of a West Bloomfield house Monday afternoon.

William Michael Thomas, 17, Timothy Dean Cooksey, 17, and William Harold Parris, 16, were arraigned Tuesday afternoon in 48th District Court in front of Judge Gus Cicelli.

Thomas is charged with two counts of felony firearm possession, one count of breaking and entering and one count of armed robbery. Cooksey is charged with breaking and entering. Parris is charged with breaking and entering and felony firearm possession. All three defendants pleaded not guilty to the charges and are being held on \$75,000 bond each in the Oakland County Jail.

ACCORDING TO West Bloomfield Police Sgt. Mike Madigan, the three were interrupted in the break-in by the Nadine Street resident returning home for lunch. The 50-year-old woman entered her house through the garage door just before 1 p.m.

Madigan said the woman saw drawers open in the master bedroom and noticed the family room doorwall open. She saw three white males leaving a bedroom. All three ran past her,

and one turned and pointed a blue steel handgun at her.

The woman yelled "Get out," and the three ran out of the house, through the yard and into a nearby vacant field, Madigan said. The woman then called the West Bloomfield Police Department, which notified the nearby Farmington Hills Police Department.

SHORTLY AFTER 3 p.m. while driving along 14 Mile — the border between West Bloomfield Township and Farmington Hills — Farmington Hills Police Sgt. Martin Bledsoe and Lt. Norman Kilmer said they spotted a car registered to a person familiar to their department.

According to the Farmington Hills police report, the car was facing north on the east side of Drake, south of 14 Mile. The officers decided to keep watch. While waiting, they heard a radio broadcast about a break-in that had just occurred in a house just across 14 Mile in West Bloomfield. The broadcast included physical descriptions of the three suspects.

About the same time as the broadcast, the officers saw two men — one wearing a maroon jacket, as was one of the burglars — walk toward the car under surveillance then past it to the southwest corner of 14 Mile and Drake. The two men were then arrested.

A loaded .45-caliber automatic pistol was confiscated from Parris, and a loaded .22-caliber pistol and an empty muzzleloader were taken from Thomas, according to police. The guns allegedly were stolen in the break-in.

AFTER HEARING a broadcast about the break-in, Farmington Hills Officer Dause Fox headed toward the area in an unmarked car. While northbound on Westwood from Regency, Fox spotted a man matching the description

of the only burglar not yet apprehended. The suspect was in a driveway chatting with a man. The suspect apparently told the man he was out of gas.

Fox arrested Cooksey, according to the police report. Also reported taken in the break-in were earrings, necklaces, rings and some cash.

police/fire calls

Listed below are highlights of Farmington-area police and fire calls received during the past week:

EXAM SLATED

The preliminary examination for a 17-year-old Livonia man charged in the attempted murder of a 25-year-old security guard at a Farmington Hills miniature golf course is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 18.

Farmington Hills Police have petitioned Oakland County Probate Court to waive jurisdiction so that a 16-year-old juvenile can be charged as an adult with the same felony.

The security guard, Terrence E. Metzler of Detroit, is reported recovering from gunshot wounds to both forearms and to the abdomen, Police Chief William Dwyer said.

At his arraignment before District Judge Michael Hand of Farmington Sept. 20, Paul A. Dober stood mute to one count of assault with intent to commit murder. An innocent plea was entered on the defendant's behalf.

Hand set cash/baurety bond at \$10,000, 10 percent of which had to be

posted to gain release pending a preliminary examination in 47th District Court. Conviction of the felony charge carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

Dober also is charged with one count of possession of a firearm in the commission of a felony, punishable upon conviction by a mandatory two-year prison term.

Police seized the suspected weapon during a search of the defendant's home, Dwyer said.

The shooting occurred at 9:10 p.m. Sept. 3 at Pult 'n' Games, 30749 Grand River.

THEFTS REPORTED

At least \$2,000 worth of hand tools and other items were stolen from Suburban Aluminum, 27400 Eight Mile, sometime Sept. 26-27, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

Two slide projectors valued at \$160 were stolen from the North Farmington High School library, 32900 13 Mile, during summer vacation, according to a police report.

WINDOW SMASHED

Three crystal miniature animals were reported stolen from the Diamond Boutique, 37105 Grand River, early Monday.

A softball-sized hole in the store's

front display window was broken with a rock, according to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report. Each crystal animal was valued at \$50. Window damage was estimated at \$200.

It's home-cleanup time

Farmington-area residents can dispose of toxic household products from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Oakland County Milford Maintenance Garage, 4553 Duck Lake, between Commerce and Cooley Lake roads, Milford Township.

The free hazardous waste collection program is partly financed by the Environmental Protection Agency.

"It is just for household products," said James Rothschild, Oakland County Health Division supervisor. Accepted will be pesticides, weed

killers, oil-based paints and glue, kerosene, gasoline, thinners, household cleaners, solvents, polishes, anti-freeze, engine degreasers, acids and chemicals.

Products not accepted include used motor oil, and brake and transmission fluids. These should be taken directly to a full-service gas station that recycles these products.

Products should be unmix in the original five-gallon or five-pound containers. Leaking containers should be placed in plastic or metal containers. Transport products in the car trunk to avoid dangerous fumes, Rothschild said.

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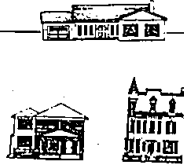
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