

# Employee, 2 others charged

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All three suspects await a pre-arrest conference before Judge Harris on Wednesday.

Shavers has had minor problems with the day manager — the employee in the gunman's line of fire. The day of the robbery was Shavers' day off. He worked as scheduled the next day, showing no unusual behavior, police said.

The multiple felony counts he faces stem from "other employees

in the vicinity of the gunshot," police Sgt. Charles Nebus said.

**PARKS BECAME** acquainted with Shavers in the past year during visits to the restaurant, police said.

A tip from a local citizen who saw a news broadcast describing the getaway car the day after the robbery led police to the homes of Patrick Shavers, arrested late Tuesday and early Wednesday.

Police called the robbery, which netted about \$7,000, "well planned"

because the gunman knew when the courier would arrive and because he concealed his identity well by wearing a Halloween mask and gloves. They believe he intended to kill the manager he fired at because he took deliberate aim at her.

**POLICE GAVE** this account of the robbery and last-minute details. The gunman entered the restaurant from one door just as a Guardian Armored Security courier was walking from the rear toward an-

other door with the weekend receipts.

As the guard turned to face employees behind the counter, he saw the masked gunman and dropped a money bag. From behind, the robber then took the guard's gun.

As the robber, who never spoke, retreated, an excited employee apparently angered him. He fired one shot toward the employees behind the counter, missing one by less than eight inches. The spent slug dented the steel counter.

The getaway car, where an accomplice was waiting, was parked about a block away.

# Explosive devices found

**By Bob Dikar**  
staff writer

Federal agents seized grenade bodies, long guns, fusing mechanisms and explosive powder in the northwest Detroit home of a man charged in the armed robbery of a McDonald's Restaurant in Farmington Hills July 10.

Armed with a warrant from the U.S. District Court in Detroit, Detroit police accompanied Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents July 12 in a late-afternoon search of the northwest Detroit home of Raymond Edward Shavers Jr., 18, who lives on Appleline.

Found in his upstairs bedroom were component parts to assemble improvised hand grenades, a dozen grenade bodies, two military-type fuzes, three pyrotechnic-type fuzes

and more than one pound of explosive powder, assembly instruction materials, one shotgun and one rifle.

Federal charges are pending. The maximum penalty for a conviction of possessing an unregistered firearm (in this case a grenade) is 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

"We're coordinating our investigation with the Farmington Hills police. So we'll wait to see what happens with their local charges against Mr. Shavers," said Karl Stankovic, group supervisor of the U.S. Treasury Department Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms office in Troy.

**AGENTS "FOUND"** a few items related to the case, says Mr. Shavers may have assembled up to a dozen

other grenades to use, give away or sell. We have no idea what he was doing with them," Stankovic said.

There have been Detroit-area incidents where improvised grenades have been used. "But we have no evidence to link Mr. Shavers to any of those incidents," Stankovic said.

Component parts "are pretty readily available at gun shops, gun shows and Army surplus stores," Stankovic said. Grenade bodies, he said, also are readily available. They're often used as paperweights or novelties.

The fuzes seized are readily available at hobby shops and gun stores, Stankovic said.

Shavers' criminal record shows only minor brushes with the law, Farmington Hills police Chief William Dwyer said.

**THE SUSPECTED** getaway car and some cash believed taken in the robbery were found at Parks' home on Elmgrove Tuesday night.

Shavers was arrested outside his northwest Detroit home at 5 a.m. Wednesday getting into a newer-model pickup truck to go to work at the restaurant.

The suspected robbery weapon, a .38-caliber revolver, and a revolver believed to be the guard's, a .357 magnum, were found in his basement. The pickup truck and stereo equipment, believed bought with robbery proceeds, as well as a mask similar to the one used in the robbery also were seized.

Another \$2,000 believed taken in the robbery was found hidden in a suitcase in Wilson's home on Waldron. He was arrested Thursday, police said.

**Staff photographer Sharon** Lefkowitz contributed to this report.

# carrier of the month

## Farmington

Jessica Ann Urbiel, 11, of Farmington, is the Farmington Observer's Carrier of the Month for June.

She has delivered the paper in Farmington Meadows subdivision since 1982.

A sixth grader at Power Middle School, her favorite subjects are math, band, reading and art. She enjoys the Girl Scouts, running and basketball.

This summer, she will attend Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp on a clarinet scholarship.

Her parents are Joe and Clarice. She has one brother, Joey, 14.

Meeting new people and exercising are what she likes most about her route. Working with people and managing money are the skills she has acquired.



Jessica Ann Urbiel

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# Fun-filled night in store for teens

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At the park, kids can enjoy pizza, hot dogs, and hamburgers and take part in hayrides, volleyball games,

and a dunk tank. Boys and girls will then cruise next door to the Community Center amphitheater where they can dance with the music from DJ, Galaxy of Lights.

Som-Fun events are presented by the cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills, the Community Center, the Farmington Area YMCA and Oakland Community College. Other Som-Fun events are scheduled for August and September.

For more information, call the Community Center at 477-9404, or the Farmington Hills recreation office at 473-9570.

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# Ruth Goodwin spent life helping others

**By Casey Hans**  
staff writer

Ruth Goodwin dedicated her life to helping others, especially those who could not help themselves.

The 62-year-old Farmington Hills resident, an special education paraprofessional for Farmington schools died suddenly July 11 while in Gaylord.

Employed at the Farmington Training Center, where she worked with emotionally impaired youngsters, she was also a volunteer in the community and was the advocate for one mentally handicapped young woman for the past 14 years.

Mary Wagner, founder and executive director of the Community Living Center, where the young woman lives, said Goodwin would take her home on holidays and would visit regularly. "She was the only mother she had," Wagner said. "She was just a beautiful, beautiful woman."

Goodwin also formed the area's

first Girl Scout troop for retarded girls, according to her family.

A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills.

**THE REV. William Ritter**, a minister at Nardin Park who officiated at the service, recalled Ruth Goodwin as soft-spoken but always oriented to helping people and getting the job done.

"She had a very great concern for children, indeed, for all people," he said.

A member of Nardin Park since 1967, Goodwin worshiped regularly, was a member of the church's worship committee and belonged to a women's prayer group, which met every Saturday morning.

Goodwin's community activities were indicative of her love of people, according to her daughter, Lynn Bunnell, who said more than 100 friends and relatives came by Thurs-

day night to pay their respects.

"She's probably one of the most genuine people you'd ever meet," Bunnell said. "She had a quality about her that just attracted people. Each and every one felt she cared about them. Everyone remembers all the things she did... how special she was to all of them."

**BUNNELL RECALLED** childhood days, when her mother got involved in all sorts of activities, especially after the family moved to the Kendallwood subdivision in Farmington Hills 29 years ago.

"She was always the room mother, the Girl Scout leader," she said. Goodwin also had a great love for animals throughout her life, and had raised Golden Retrievers during that past 15 years, she added.

Professionally, Goodwin was hired by the Farmington Public Schools in September 1973, and had worked at Wood Creek Elementary before coming to the Farmington Training Center.

Daughter-in-law Kathy Goodwin recalled Goodwin as a giving, caring person who was involved with

church and community and especially interested in helping the handicapped. "She did everything," she said. "She could handle anything."

Ruth Goodwin is survived by her husband, Desmond Goodwin; four children, Mark Goodwin, Lynn Bunnell, Beth Smithen and Bruce Goodwin; and nine grandchildren.

The family asks that donations be made to the Michigan Humane Society or to the Oakland County Association for Retarded Citizens. Funeral arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home in Farmington Hills.

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