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police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

● PROBE CONTINUES

Novi police are trying to determine if there's a connection between the gunpoint robbery of two Novi men in their Aggregate Condominiums home April 5 and the gunpoint robbery of a Farmington man in his attached garage on Frederick May 18.

Similarities between the two robberies include use of a gun and a ski mask and the theft of a Rolex watch. Neither victim was hurt.

However, the robber in Novi is thought to be taller.

"The robberies have similarities but the heights don't match. We aren't sure it's the same guy — it may be his partner or be totally unconnected," said the Novi detective spearheading the Applegate investigation.

Local police are investigating possible links between five thefts since January involving valuable wristwatches in Novi, Farmington, Farmington Hills and West Bloomfield. Novi police suspect existence of an organized ring.

● PROPERTY DEFACED

Farmington Hills police are looking for whoever spray-painted ethnic slurs on a Skye Drive resident's four vehicles and on the street in front of his house sometime late Monday or early Tuesday.

"We are looking at a possible suspect, a person the victim had fired," Farmington Hills police Chief William Dwyer said.

Ties on the four vehicles also were punctured, probably with a knife. Police estimate damage to the vehicles at about \$1,000.

The unidentified victim, a Saudi Arabian native, has lived in Farmington Hills for 14 years. "He never had any problems before," Dwyer said.

Farmington Hills public works crews worked hard to scrape the paint off the street Tuesday.

● CHURCH THEFT

A gas generator and a desktop telephone valued at \$2,050 were reported stolen from a construction trailer at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 11 Mile, June 15-16.

Two snowblowers and garden tools valued at \$2,050 were reported stolen from a storage shed there, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● MAN CHARGED

A 46-year-old West Bloomfield man was charged with possessing marijuana and cocaine when small quantities were found in his car after it nearly collided head-on with a Farmington Hills patrol car Sunday, police said.

Officer Michael Farley was west-bound on 14 Mile, east of Farmington Road, at 3 a.m. when an east-bound car crossed the center line and nearly hit his patrol car.

He then made a traffic stop and arrested the driver, who appeared to be intoxicated, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● BBS FIRED

Two baseball players were hit by BBs while playing baseball behind East Middle School, 25000 Middlebelt, Monday evening.

A 13-year-old boy was hit behind the ear and on the stomach. A 14-year-old boy was hit on the hip. Neither was seriously hurt.

Two boys playing with a BB gun in a nearby back yard are believed to have fired the shots, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

● FOUND UNCONSCIOUS

A 13-year-old Farmington boy was taken to Botsford General Hospital Sunday, after he was found uncon-

scious at a baseball diamond at Flanders Elementary School in Farmington.

According to a Farmington Department of Public Safety report, the Power Middle School student was discovered on the ground, unresponsive at about 7 p.m., after he had apparently consumed a "large amount of alcohol." He had been at the ball diamond with friends.

After administering smelling salts, an ambulance was summoned to take him to Botsford, where he was treated.

● RESTAURANT DAMAGED

A maroon-colored Oldsmobile van hit and damaged the east wall of the Elias Brothers Big Boy restaurant, 27810 Grand River, about 8:45 p.m. Friday.

The van, which witnesses said was driven by a woman in her early 20s, fled east on Byron. On Byron, it apparently stopped. The woman got out to remove bricks from the restaurant that remained on the van. A male passenger also got out and helped.

He then got in the driver's seat with the woman in the passenger's seat. The van continued on Byron, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

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