



Eyes on the actor

Chicago-born actor T.E. Russell, in the Detroit area last week to promote his latest film, "Toy Soldiers," chats with film students at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus in Farmington Hills. A graduate of Chicago's Academy of Arts, Russell headed for Hollywood, where he said he

"starved" at odd jobs for a relatively short period before obtaining several TV roles. Now he's featured in "Toy Soldiers," a story of terrorists seizing a boy's school. The movie, which opens April 28, will be reviewed in the Observer's Street Scene section on Monday.

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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:

● **SEXUAL ASSAULT**

Farmington police are investigating a sexual assault which occurred at an apartment complex in the city Friday night, April 19.

According to police reports, a 21-year-old resident of Drakehire Apartments was attacked and raped in the parking lot of the Grand River complex as she arrived home shortly before 10 p.m.

The attacker is described as a white male in his 20s, with collar-to-shoulder-length blond hair, a mustache and wearing blue jeans and a black leather jacket.

No further details of the crime were released.

● **ELECTRICAL PROBLEM**

An apparent electrical wiring problem in a senior citizen apartment elevator prompted public safety officials to evacuate the first floor of the complex Tuesday afternoon.

No one was injured.

According to Farmington public safety director Frank Lauboff, a resident of Farmington Place apartments on Grand River had gotten into an elevator shortly before 3 p.m., when smoke began pouring into it.

The department's two trucks and reinforcements were called out, including trucks from Farmington Hills, because of the potential of a

fire and smoke running up the elevator shaft, he said.

● **THEFTS REPORTED**

A purse containing \$200 cash, checks and jewelry valued at \$470 were reported stolen from NTH, 36555 Hills Tech Dr., Farmington Hills, April 18.

Silverware and a fur stole value at \$6,200 were reported stolen from a house on Partridge, Farmington Hills, March 21.

A computer valued at \$5,000 was reported stolen from McDonnell-Douglas, 30445 Northwestern Highway, Farmington Hills, April 18.

CDs, a stereo system and compact CD player valued at \$2,100 were reported stolen from a unit on Madison at Independence Green Apartments in Farmington Hills, April 19-20.

A telefacsimile phone valued at \$399 was reported stolen from Office Max, 31219 14 Mile, Farmington Hills, April 15.

Wheel covers valued at \$400 were reported stolen from a 1990 Ford at Vladimir, 28125 Grand River, Farmington Hills, April 20-21.

● **DAMAGE REPORTED**

Damage was estimated at \$50 when someone shook a pop bottle, increasing pressure on the contents, and put it into a mailbox on Wellington in Farmington Hills, April 21. The pop bottle exploded in the mailbox.

A window at the VFW Post 2289, 22414 Orchard Lake Road, was shot out by BBs or pellets, April 13. Damage was estimated at \$250.

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