

CAMPUS PIPELINE

2 men face extortion charges

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NEW GRADUATES
The following Farmington area residents graduated from Western Michigan University: Craig Dean, Jeffrey Brandt and Stephanie Wolf.

Lisa Marie Widman of Farmington Hills graduated from the University of Toledo.

RECEIVED OSTEOPATHY DEGREE
Marisa Abbo of Farmington Hills received the Doctor of Osteopathy degree from Michigan State University. She also received B.A. degree in honors psychology from Wayne State University in 1984 and the

master's of social work degree from the University of Michigan in 1985. She is a 1980 graduate of Mercy High School.
Lucy Anna Coccimiglio of Farmington received the Doctor of Osteopathy degree from Michigan State University. She also received the B.S. degree in biology from Madonna College in 1988. She is a 1980 graduate of Mercy High School.
Cecile T. Robes of Farmington Hills received the Doctor of Osteopathy degree from Michigan State University. She received the B.S. degree in microbiology from the University of Michigan in 1987. She is a 1983 graduate of North Farmington High School.

By CASEY HANS STAFF WRITER
Two men will stand trial on extortion charges in Oakland County Circuit Court in connection with a sports gambling debt involving a 1992 North Farmington High School graduate.
Farmington Hills police have speculated the set-up could be a professional gambling ring, involving more students at North as well as at other area high schools, although to date there is no evidence to support that.
John Subu, 34, of Roseville and Brian Frascioni, 27, of Rochester, were bound over for trial on Friday following a preliminary examination before District Judge Fred

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Harris in Farmington's 47th District Court.
Both remain free on \$10,000 personal bond; neither can make contact with the victim involved in the case as a condition of their bond.
Conviction on the charge carries a maximum 20-year prison term.
According to Hills police and court testimony, the two men were arrested after police set up a meeting in which the messenger believed he was picking up payment for a gambling debt owed by Brandon Sandler of Farmington Hills.
Police were contacted by Sandler and his father who reported that

threats were made against them for an \$800 debt. Both testified in last week's exam.
Prosecutors contended Friday that Subu "sent the messengers out" to make threats and collect money in the gambling set-up.
Although none of the professional gambling activity in the case has been linked to problems inside school walls, Farmington Hills Detective Bert Cook — a liaison officer at North Farmington — testified Friday that he also was aware of card games among North Farmington students occurring outside of school hours.
Subu's attorney did not dispute "there was a debt to collect," but

said "If there were any threats, they were not connected to Mr. Subu."
Jack Cotton, Farmington school trustee and retired district athletic director, voiced his concern about the situation last week.
"I'm just heartaleck that something like this is a matter of concern that is in our schools," he said. "I would hope this board would support the authorities... as they investigate this gambling situation."
Superintendent of schools Michael Flanagan said North Farmington principal Debbie Clarke would be making changes to the school's health curriculum addressing the gambling issue, and that such changes would also be recommended to other principals.

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