

POLICE/FIRE CALLS

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

■ ASSAULT REPORTED

A 19-year-old Laurelwood Street man was struck in the head with a bottle and a bat and injured after a man burst into his house and assaulted him Monday.

According to Farmington Department of Public Safety reports, the victim identified one of the men who struck him as a cousin but could not identify five or six others who also came in uninvited and ransacked the house. The incident occurred at about 11:35 p.m.

The report stated that a man pushed his way into the victim's home, first striking the victim with a liquor bottle then hitting him in the head with a bat. Others began going through the house, knocking things off of walls.

The man told police he believed the incident may have been racially motivated, because he has a black roommate. The man refused medical treatment.

■ EMPLOYEES INJURED

Two employees of a Chinese restaurant were burned in a grease fire at the restaurant Monday

afternoon, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

Firefighters responded to a fire at China Hut restaurant, 33234 12 Mile, to find that the fire had been put out. Apparently the fire started when someone put water on a small grease fire and it ignited.

"You got a mega flame with water. Just put a lid on the fire. Water does not put out grease," said deputy fire Chief Peter Baldwin.

The two employees suffered burns on their face and arms and were transported to Botsford General Hospital for treatment.

■ THEATER THEFTS

Cars drew the attention of someone this past weekend when two cars and wire wheel covers from two others were stolen while in the parking lot of the Old Orchard Theatre, 28123 Orchard Lake Road, Friday and Saturday.

Reported stolen were: a 1991 Ford valued at \$15,000; a 1992 Ford valued at \$23,000; three wire wheel covers valued at \$300 from a 1992 Buick; tires and wheels valued at \$500 from a 1990 Toyota.

■ MAILBOX FIRE

A newspaper box was found melted and charred on Wellington Saturday, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

Firefighters found the box contained some remnants of newspaper. A homeowner told firefighters he extinguished the fire with water from a bucket. Damage was estimated at \$50. The fire is listed as suspicious.

■ KITCHEN FIRE

Damage was estimated at \$1,000 after a homeowner neglected to watch a pan on the stove that contained safflower oil warming to make popcorn on Clubhouse Lane Oct. 8, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

Firefighters set up a fan and removed smoke from the house.

■ THEFTS REPORTED

Earrings and a ring valued at \$1,900 were reported stolen from a house on Huntsman Drive between Sept. 4 and Sept. 7.

A wallet valued at \$250, containing approximately \$100 in Canadian money, was stolen Friday from the Metro Music Cafe, 34555 12 Mile.

A 1990 Ford valued at \$13,000 was stolen Saturday or Sunday from the Clarion Hotel, 31525 12 Mile.

A mountain bike valued at \$300 was stolen Saturday or Sunday from a house on Pleasant Valley. Jewelry valued at \$3,700 was stolen between Oct.

4 and Sunday from a house on River Ridge Trail. Snow jackets valued at \$1,080 were stolen Saturday or Sunday from Farmington Cycle World, 34600 8 Mile.

Surveying equipment valued at \$2,720 was stolen between Sept. 23 and Oct. 7 from International Technology Corp., 37408 Hills Tech Drive.

A computer, monitor, thermal heat transfer, disk drive and software valued at \$3,750 were stolen Thursday or Friday from Sentry Contractors, 30785 Grand River.

Approximately \$300 cash was stolen Friday from Apollo's Pizzeria, 24369 Halsted.

Travelers checks valued at \$5,000 were stolen Thursday or Friday from the Comfort Inn, 30715 12 Mile.

■ DAMAGE REPORTED

Damage was estimated at \$100 after someone painted obscenities with red paint on some windows and concrete steps of the St. Paul Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt, Saturday or Sunday. Human or animal waste also was thrown against the doors on the east and south sides of the building.

The owner of a 1988 Jeep reported that someone slashed the vehicle's tires Sunday while it was parked on Sudbury. Damage was estimated at \$500.

YMCA HIGHLIGHTS

These YMCA highlights appear courtesy of the Farmington YMCA, 28100 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. For more information, call 553-4020.

■ HOOP-IT-UP OPEN HOUSE

Saturday, Oct. 17 is Hoop-It-Up day at the Farmington Y. Special contests, drawings for Piston tickets, refreshments, and building tours will be available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone purchasing a membership at the open house

will also receive a savings of up to \$81. For information call 553-4020.

■ SIX FOOT AND UNDER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

An organizational meeting for a YMCA six foot and under basketball league will be held Sunday, Oct. 18, at 7 p.m. The league is open to full privileged YMCA members and program members. For more information call Keith at 553-4020.

Informational meeting planned

An informational meeting to discuss two November ballot proposals will be held in Farmington Hills next week.

Advocates for Excellence in Education, a citizens' committee formed as an advocacy group for public education in the Farmington area, will host a meeting to discuss proposals A and C, which address property tax reform and would impact local school district financing.

The one-hour meeting will be

held on Thursday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the East Middle School cafeteria, 25000 Middlebelt Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads.

"We are concerned the finance proposals from Lansing, which have already had a devastating ef-

fect, could eventually reduce this district to mediocrity," said Advocates chairpersons Betty Nicolay and Lincoln Avery in a letter to the group's members. "As adults, we have opportunities and property value to lose. As for the kids — their entire future is at risk."

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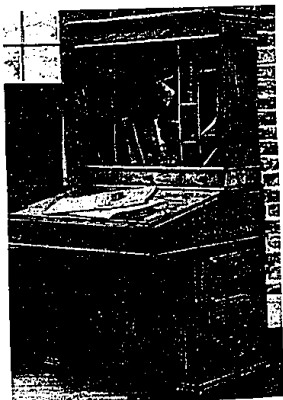
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