

Spat ends in attempted murder charge

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Farmington Hills police are seeking an attempted murder charge against a Detroit man involved in a lovers' quarrel late Thursday night.

The pair, both nursing assistants at Charterhouse of Farmington Hills, a nursing home at 21017 Middlebelt, were involved in a quarrel that escalated in the parking lot, a police report said. They are now ex-employees, ac-

ording to Alexander Spiro, the chief executive officer and owner of Charterhouse.

The Detroit woman, pregnant four months, was upset when she learned that her boyfriend of 18 months recently began dating another employee, police said.

When she confronted him, the man became angry and kicked the driver's side door of her 1990 Chevy. The woman drove off and then returned shortly and the argument continued, the report said.

The woman, age 24, told police that the man, age 28, punched the driver's side door window and broke it.

He reached in and began punching the woman and began shaking her. He kept saying "I'll kill ya. . .," the report said.

Two female witnesses and employees observed the man choking the woman and another employee pulled the man off the woman, the report said.

The suspect, stopped while walking southbound on Middlebelt south of Eight Mile, admitted to Hills police that he was in a fight.

The man also had a misdemeanor warrant out of Redford. "This was a domestic dispute that escalated," Spiro said. "It's a highly unfortunate situation, not reflective of our staff and philosophy of the facility. The remainder of the staff of 100 are very embarrassed."

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

EMBEZZLEMENT

A 32-year-old Plymouth woman, recently fired by the Old Orchard on the Bay restaurant on 10 Mile in Farmington Hills is suspected of embezzling \$16,811 in April 1992. She is suspected of writing checks to herself from the restaurant.

A Detroit woman, 24, is suspected of embezzling a Packard Bell computer worth \$1,399.99 from Office Max on 14 Mile in Farmington Hills on Feb. 3.

BREAK-INS

An attache case and its contents, worth \$300, and a handheld computer/calculator worth \$200 were stolen from a 1991 white Olds Cutlass Cirra parked at the Hunters Ridge Apartments on Partridge Lane in Farmington Hills between Feb. 1-2. The passenger-side door was pried open

causing \$100 in damage. Items worth \$1,500 were stolen during a break-in of a 1989 black Ford Ranger parked in the alley behind Romano's in the Country Ridge Commons on Haggerty in Farmington Hills between Feb. 2-3. The pickup had been locked. Damage was \$600. Items stolen included \$200 worth of chrome wheel rims, a \$500 CD player, \$600 speakers and other audio equipment.

HIT AND RUN

A driver heading eastbound on 12 Mile east of Orchard Lake Road in a royal blue Chevy S-10 made an illegal U-turn causing \$300 in damage to another car.

BAD CHECK

A Southfield man, 43, is suspected of writing a bad check for \$2,101 as part of the payment for a 1988 white Olds Regency purchased at Town and Country Dodge on Grand River in Farmington Hills on Nov. 30, 1992.

Suspect charged, 2nd at large in break-ins

One Detroit man has been charged with breaking and entering, while another Detroit resident facing the same charge remains at large, Farmington Hills Police Detective Chuck Hubbard said.

Nathen Howard Rostron, 34, was arraigned in 47th District Court on two counts of breaking and entering Tuesday afternoon. Judge Fred Harris set bail at

\$10,000 cash. Rostron remains in custody in the Oakland County Jail.

Mark Gonzales, 17, whom police said was Rostron's friend, remains at large after posting a \$5,000 personal bond in another court.

Gonzales and Rostron were arraigned in 48th District Court in West Bloomfield on similar

charges last week. They were both charged with one count of breaking and entering and one count of larceny in West Bloomfield incidents.

Officer Craig Summers, on surveillance duty two hours after one of several break-ins in the Drake-13 Mile area, arrested the two suspects Jan. 29. The investigation led to the discovery of stolen

property in a house on Winston Street in Detroit.

Police recovered property they believe was stolen in five separate break-ins in Farmington Hills, one in Livonia, one in Southfield and two in West Bloomfield.

"We had 20 families come through and look at the stolen property," Hubbard said. "We had six positive identifications."

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