

# Cops probe antisemitic drawings

Farmington police are investigating after antisemitic drawings were scrawled on the laundry room floor in a condominium where a Jewish couple lives.

The couple, who live in Versailles Condominiums, told police a neighbor informed them Sunday afternoon of the drawings, which included a Star of David and the words "All must die."

There were two other symbols, all of which appeared to have been drawn with a white waxy substance.

The incident upset the couple, who immediately washed the floor before calling police. Some of the markings were still visible when police arrived.

The couple said they have had no problems in the past.

A neighbor told police two teenage boys were soliciting newspaper subscriptions for the Detroit News earlier that day. One of the teens became upset when the neighbor declined to take the paper, according to the police report.

The couple said they also heard someone laughing and walking up the stairs from the basement area. They have a "Mezzuh" symbol on their door, which could've identified them as being Jewish.

Farmington Public Safety Deputy Director Michael Wiggins said they are looking at the two youths as possible suspects.

"I don't want to just zero in on them," Wiggins said. "I want to keep everything open."

"They were in the vicinity and according to at least one of the witnesses showed some anger to being refused in their solicitation."

Wiggins said the description of the two is vague.

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

**■ FIRES**

A woman suffered second-degree burns on her upper and lower body in a kitchen fire at Drakeshire Apartments in Farmington Jan. 23. The fire, which started in a pan of overheated cooking oil, was out when firefighters arrived. The woman was injured when the flaming pan was being put out by another person with an extinguisher, which splashed the fire onto the victim. She was taken to Betsford Hospital and transferred to University of Michigan Burn Center where she was listed in good condition Tuesday.

An overheated pan of oil led to a kitchen fire in Jamestown Apartments in Farmington Saturday. The fire, which spread to an adjacent wall and cabinet, was extinguished when firefighters arrived.

A fire started in the engine compartment of a 1986 Ford F-250 pickup when its owner tried to start it up in the garage of his Gill Road house at 9:04 p.m. Jan. 19. The pickup had backfired through the carburetor, igniting the air filter. The owner was able to smother the fire, keeping the damage to only \$50.

The superintendent of building and grounds at William Tyndale College on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills put out a fire of a chair and coat with a dry chemical extinguisher at 11:50 a.m. Jan. 20. A cigarette started the fire that caused \$260 in property damage and \$500 in damage to contents. After interviewing several people,

firefighters from Station 4 in Farmington Hills determined that the fire was accidental.

A hot water heater at a residence on Roosevelt in Farmington Hills exploded while the owners were away at 1 a.m. Jan. 21. Farmington Hills firefighters from Station 3 responded and found the walls near the heater on fire. They put out the fire and found charred combustible material near the heater, which they believe to be the cause of the fire. There was no smoke detector in the area. Damage to the property was estimated at \$6,500 and damage to contents was estimated at \$3,500.

**■ AUTO THEFT**

A white 1992 Ford Explorer worth \$15,000 was stolen from the Clarion Inn on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Jan. 20-21.

A \$17,000 black 1993 Ford Explorer was stolen from the Clarion Inn on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Jan. 21.

**■ FRAUD**

An ATM card that had been missing, along with credit cards and a driver's license, was used at the Standard Federal on Middlebelt Dec. 29 to obtain \$1,000 in cash. The Farmington Hills couple who live on Skye Drive who owned the card found out from the bank that there had been a great deal of ATM activity with their card and some checks from their account had come back with insufficient funds.

**■ THEFT**

Four wheel covers worth \$240 were stolen from a Dodge Intrepid that is a company car owned by

Nasco Tech on Hollywood Court in Farmington Hills Jan. 20.

A Motorola portable telephone (\$300) was stolen from the Farmington Radiation Oncology Center on Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills Jan. 19.

A padlock to a wooden deck door was pried open and \$757 in cash stolen from Exotic Rubber on Grand River in Farmington Hills Jan. 21-22.

An AM/FM cassette stereo (\$300) was stolen from an unlocked 1991 maroon Pontiac Grand Am at the Muirwood Apartments on Woodridge Circle in Farmington Hills Jan. 21-22.

Four wheels and wheel covers (\$1,500) were stolen from a red 1993 Dodge Intrepid parked at the Timber Ridge Apartments on Timber Ridge in Farmington Hills Jan. 22-23.

Four hubcaps (\$200) were stolen from a black 1993 Ford Probe at the Farmington Co-op Apartments on Lytle in Farmington Hills Jan. 24 and four hubcaps (\$300) were stolen from a 1991 blue Chevy Caprice at the same complex Jan. 23-24.

Four hubcaps (\$400) were stolen from a 1994 Toyota Corolla at the Green Hills Apartments on Green Hills in Farmington Hills Jan. 23-24.

Four hubcaps (\$280) were stolen from a yellow 1991 Mercury Cougar parked at the Green Hills Apartments on Green Hills Jan. 23-24.

Two hubcaps (\$200) were stolen from a red 1993 Probe and four hubcaps were stolen from a red 1994 Ford Taurus parked on Interchange in Farmington Hills Jan. 24.

Three phones (\$210) and a hair

dryer (\$50) were stolen from the Clarion Inn on 12 Mile in Farmington Hills Jan. 22-23 and \$900 in damage was done to a room. The handle of a wood door was bent, causing \$50 in damage, a 4-by-2 foot mirror was broken (\$150), two holes were punched in drywall (\$200), red nail polish was dumped on the carpet (\$150) and the screen of a 19-inch Zenith color TV was broken (\$400).

A leather wallet containing \$30 cash and assorted credit cards was stolen from an employee's purse at the Greenery Care Center in Farmington Jan. 21.

**■ VANDALISM**

Two driver's side tires were slashed and the driver's door handle was broken, causing \$266 in damage to a red 1986 Honda Prelude parked at O'Sheehan's on Orchard Lake Jan. 21.

A glass coffee table was smashed at a residence on 10 Mile in Farmington Hills Jan. 22, causing \$200 in damage.

**■ BREAK-INS**

The driver's side window of a black 1991 Acura Integra parked at the Muirwood Apartments on Woodridge Circle in Farmington Hills was smashed and a handheld portable phone was stolen Jan. 21-22. The phone, worth \$200, was later found in snow near the car port.

The passenger side window of a red 1990 Eagle Talon parked on Ravine Court in Farmington Hills was smashed, causing \$100 in damage, and a mobile telephone worth \$350 was stolen Jan. 22. The driver's side window was

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