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Man charged, claimed Botsford tie

Authorities hope to locate people who were treated at a Southfield medical clinic in the past month by a man now charged with impersonating a doctor.

Michael Fredrick Ammon, 33, of Redford Township, jailed under a \$250,000 bond, is accused of illegally practicing medicine at the Southfield Medical Center. The walk-in clinic is on Nine Mile just west of Greenfield.

Ammon had credentials identifying him as a staff doctor at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, police said. He was arrested Friday while performing an exam on an undercover Southfield police officer. It was a tip from a staff member at the clinic that led to the investigation.

"We're asking that any person treated by a doctor at the clinic in March contact Detective John Isitt at the Southfield Police," Oakland County assistant prosecutor James Halushka said Monday. "We're concerned about those patients. We don't know how many he treated or prescribed drugs for and we want to get to them before they suffer any harmful effects."

"Also," continued Halushka, "we're looking for persons to help us make additional charges." Investigators also obtained search warrants for the medical records associated with other possible patients. Detective Isitt may be reached by calling 354-4720.

A not-guilty plea was entered for Ammon, also known as Mi-

chael Fredrick Amin, at his arraignment Sunday before 46th District Court magistrate Eugene Friedman. Friedman ordered him held under bond pending the outcome of a preliminary exam scheduled for Monday.

Halushka and Southfield police said Ammon was hired to work at the clinic after representing himself as Dr. Christopher Dolg, a legitimate osteopathic physician in Livonia.

Neither Dolg nor physicians or personnel at the Southfield clinic are suspected of any involvement in the case, police said.

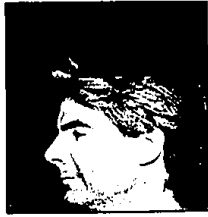
An employee at Dolg's office Monday said the doctor would not comment on the situation.

Attempts to talk with others who work at the Southfield Medical Center also were unsuccessful. The clinic, which is operated by a management group, hires independent doctors to work there. The clinic was not open and an employee in a nearby office said she was informed that the post office has been directed to stop the clinic's mail for a week.

"Fortunately, Ammon worked at the clinic for only three weeks," said Halushka.

"He had some credentials identifying him as Dr. Dolg and said he was on staff at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. The clinic called Botsford to check and the hospital confirmed that Dr. Dolg was on staff."

An undercover Southfield detective went into the clinic for an exam Friday after police investigated the tip. "She pretended to



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have a sinus problem," said police spokesman L.A. Moore. "About halfway through the exam the arrest was made."

He was lodged in jail and police had intended to have him arraigned on Saturday morning, Moore said. "But he complained of chest pains and spent the night in Providence Hospital. He was arraigned Sunday after he was released from the hospital."

The prosecutor's office released a criminal history on Ammon dating back to 1978. He has convictions of larceny, grand theft, theft by use of a credit card and writing bad checks in California and Michigan.

"At the time of his arrest, he was wanted in the state of California

for parole violation and for a warrant for larceny by conversion issued by the 42-2 District Court in New Baltimore, Michigan," Halushka said.

The formal charge just lodged against Ammon is unauthorized practice of a health profession, a felony punishable on conviction of up to four years in prison.

Authorities said their investigations of Ammon are continuing.

"The fact that an incident such as this can and does occur illustrates the significance of a complete and thorough background investigation for positions involving public trust and confidence," Southfield police chief Joseph Thomas said Tuesday.

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STATEBOUND ODYSSEY

A team consisting of students from Power Middle School, St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows schools took a first-place medal in "The Iliad" portion of the Odyssey of the Mind regional competition Feb. 26 at Waterford Mott High. The team, coached by Diane Matous and Mary Alexara Sr., will proceed to the state OM competition along with other squads from the Farmington area. Members of the first-place team include: Katie Matous, Mandy Alexander, Kim D'Anna, and Arthur Panzara. Panzara was also awarded the Rentra Fusca Award for outstanding creativity during the spontaneous competition.

A team from Wooddale Elementary received the Omer Award given for outstanding team work for its performance in "The Iliad" competition. Members include: Christyn Chudwick, Whitney Chudwick, Jessica Mayes, James Borregard, Jonathan John and Ben Cassell. The squad is coached by Martha Cassell and Eric Borregard.

Larkshire Elementary student Samantha Sherry took an Omer Award for her outstanding portrayal of an elderly woman.

St. Fabian's A Team will go to the state competition based on its second place in "The Iliad." Members include: Greg Kozol, John Di-Giovanni, Alan Allmon, Chrissy Baker, Becky DeBello, and Catherine Audette. The St. Fabian team is coached by Bob and Jill Kozol.

Another St. Fabian A-Team will go to state for its second place in the "Furs, Fins, Feathers." Team members include: Jenny Matous, Danielle Baber, Jillian Clement, Susan Doty, Andy Harvey and Brandon Smith. The team is coached by Diane Matous and Tim Sprigs.

Teams from Highmeadow Common Campus, North Farmington High and East Middle received third-place medals. A squad from Long were finished fourth and a team from Wood Creek fifth.

LEADERS

Farmington High juniors Sean Hassell, Mike Langdon and Steve Scanio have been chosen this year's American Legion Boys State recipients. They will attend a seven-day leadership conference at Michigan. Matt Healy, Rizwan Mahmood and Adam Smith were chosen as alternates. Selections are made on awareness of government and outstanding leadership qualities demonstrated in the school community.

BE SMART

Northville Christian School sixth-grade student Tommy Arnett will compete in finals of the Spelling Bee April 12 at Lawrence Tech University after winning the area event. He is the son of Susan Arnett of Farmington Hills and Thomas Arnett of Livonia.

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