

POLICE AND FIRE CALLS

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT RUNS

Farmington Hills firefighters made 87 runs for the week of Jan. 6-13 including 37 medical emergencies (43 percent), 15 rescues and three fires.

FIRES

Farmington Hills firefighters from Station 4 put out a fire behind a wall that had extended into an attic at a house on Cambridge Lane at 5:28 p.m. Jan. 7. The house was under construction at the time. A worker saw the discolored dry wall. Damage was estimated at \$6,000.

Firefighters from Station 2 put out a car fire on eastbound I-3 Mile at Northwestern at 1:48 p.m. Jan. 8. The rear of a 1991 Nissan Pathfinder, that had been abandoned, was on fire when firefighters arrived. The driver had left to call for a tow truck after it had stalled. Damage was estimated at \$2,000 to the Nissan and \$100 to the contents.

THEFT

In Farmington Hills: A \$362 Clarion car stereo was stolen from a storage room at Mickey Shore's on Grand River between Dec. 30 and Jan. 6.

Police arrested a Detroit man, 54, and a Detroit woman, 49, for attempting to shoplift two jackets and a pair of pants (\$872) from the Bavarian Village on Orchard Lake and 12 Mile at 3:30 p.m. Jan. 10. The store manager saw the man leaving the store with stolen merchandise and attempted

to stop him, chasing him and the woman to a blue 1997 Chevy Cavalier and hanging onto the door as the two drove away. Police stopped the car at the 12 Mile entrance to the parking lot and arrested them, recovering the stolen merchandise. The man, who has 30 aliases, had numerous convictions and was wanted for a similar incident in Southfield.

A \$200 safe with a \$2,000 coin collection a \$100 knife and personal papers was stolen from Detroit Baptist Manor on 13 Mile Dec. 29.

A \$3,000 Packard Bell 386 computer was stolen from a residence at the Mulrwood Apartments on Verdant between Dec. 30 and Jan. 3.

BREAK-INS

In Farmington Hills:

The front window was broken causing \$200 in damage at Jiffy Lube on Northwestern Jan. 11 and a cash drawer with \$19 in coins was stolen.

The door locks were punched on five 1997 Chevy Lumina (\$2,000), three 1997 Chevy Monte Carlo (\$1,200) and a 1996 and a 1997 Chevy Blazer (\$800) at Holiday Chevrolet on Grand River Jan. 11-13 and the CD stereos (\$6,000) were stolen.

DRUGS

In Farmington Hills:

Police arrested a Redford man, 22, in a blue 1988 Ford EXP on Northbound Purdue at Grand River for possession of 1 gram of marijuana and drug paraphernalia at 9:40 p.m. Jan. 10.

Police arrested a Livonia woman, 18, for possession of 14 grams of marijuana at the Holiday Inn on 10 Mile at 11:55 p.m. Jan. 11.

Police arrested a Novi man, 26, for possession of

a baggie of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in a green 1994 Plymouth Sundance at the Shell station on Grand River at Haggerty at 3:25 a.m. Jan. 12.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

In Farmington Hills:

Police arrested a Hills man, 45, for driving a 1997 Cadillac Seville north on Middlebelt at Nine Mile at 8:30 p.m. Jan. 10 while drunk. The car had been damaged and the driver did not know how it had happened. He had a blood alcohol level of .2 percent. A level of .1 percent is considered too drunk to drive in Michigan.

Police arrested a Novi man, 26 for driving a green 1994 Jeep north on Middlebelt at Shiawassee at 3:30 a.m. Jan. 11 while drunk. The Jeep was stopped at a green light. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .12 percent.

Police arrested a Canton woman, 39, for driving a green 1995 Ford Contour east on M-5 at Drake at 8 p.m. Jan. 12 while drunk. The car was in an accident. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .14 percent.

Police arrested a Detroit man, 67, for driving a blue 1996 Dodge Caravan west on Eight Mile at 8:45 p.m. Jan. 13 while drunk. The van was stopped in the left lane with no cars in front of it. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .19 percent.

In Farmington:

Police made three drunken driving arrests Jan. 11-14, including one involving a Southfield man, 33, who also ticketed for carrying illegal fireworks. Police stopped the 1995 Chevrolet Camino after it was clocked at 58 miles an hour in a 45-mile zone. While searching the vehicle, police found a bag

containing M-80 and M-60 firecrackers and smoke bombs. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .11 percent.

AUTO THEFT

In Farmington Hills:

The steering column was damaged (\$400) on a 1988 Plymouth Voyager that was stolen from the Little Valley Mobil Home Park on Tuck Jan. 10. The owner recovered the \$1,000 van near the entrance to the trailer park.

A \$30,000 Ford Explorer was stolen from the Green Hill Apartments on Green Hill Jan. 13.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In Farmington Hills:

Police arrested a West Bloomfield man, 42, for grabbing, choking and threatening to kill his wife at her residence south of 14 Mile and west of Orchard Lake at 11:30 p.m. Jan. 11.

VANDALISM

In Farmington Hills:

Police responded to a report of two hotel rooms at the Holiday Inn on 10 Mile being trashed Jan. 8-10. Two couples had stayed in the adjoining rooms for two days and "trashed" the rooms, the clerk said. The toilets were both clogged. When they were unclogged, \$1,340 in cash was found to be what had clogged them.

In Farmington:

The tires were slashed on a 1995 Ford Taurus parked on Power Road Jan. 10-11, causing \$150 damage.

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Mother
ticketed
for neglect

A Farmington Hills mother was ticketed for child neglect after her 9-year-old daughter was found crying outside a sledding hill in minus 12-degree wind chill with no hat or gloves on.

The girl told police she was lost after they were called to the sled hill on Shiawassee and Farmington roads Sunday afternoon. She had her hands inside her jacket sleeves and the ends of the sleeves on her sweater were frozen, police reports said.

She was taken to the Farmington police station where her mother was called.

The mother told a police dispatcher her daughter left with an 11-year-old girlfriend for the sled hill at 3 p.m. The mother told police she left to take another child to a baby sitter in Taylor, but expected the pair home between 4-4:30 p.m.

The older girl returned without the 9-year-old, telling her mother the girl would return with another friend.

The mother said she was unaware her daughter was without a hat or gloves. She also told police she didn't know where the sled hill was located.

Police noted the girl was wearing a winter jacket, snow pants and winter boots. Temperature was 8 degrees while the girl was outside.

The woman, 36, is scheduled to appear in 47th District Court Jan. 20. A copy of the report will be forwarded to the Department of Social Services.

Accident leaves
Farmington man
hospitalized

A Farmington man remained hospitalized earlier this week after a Friday accident on snow-covered Eight Mile Road in Livonia.

The 26-year-old was in intensive care, in fair condition, at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor.

He was driving a 1991 Ford Escort west on Eight Mile, west of Newburgh, Friday morning when he lost control and the car spun into the path of an east-bound 1988 Ford van, said Sgt. Kevin Dawley of the Livonia Police Department's traffic bureau.

The van hit the Escort on the passenger side. The van's driver, a 38-year-old Walled Lake man, had no visible injuries. There were no passengers in either vehicle.

The Escort's driver was not belted in, Dawley said. He was taken by ambulance to St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, then airlifted to Ann Arbor.

There were no indications drugs or alcohol were a factor in the crash.

An investigation is continuing.