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Schornack said. Had the sprinkler system not worked, or the rest of the kitchen been dirtier, the fire could have spread and done much more damage.

"It could have been the whole place," Belcastro said, adding he was grateful for the restaurant's gas shut-off valve which spared his neighbors any noxious leaks.

"Here's just a situation where everything worked like it should have, and put the fire out," he said.

City code requires restaurants whose cooking "produces grease-laden vapors" to install a fire suppression system over their grills, inside the hood-dut system, and have them serviced every six months.

Most local restaurants service

their sprinkler systems as required, Schornack said, adding that he also encourages restaurateurs to have their hood-dut systems cleaned at least once every six months, and to keep their kitchens clean to avoid fire hazards. What happened at Luigi's could happen at any one of those, he said, but likely would be met with more dire consequences.

"If they had a real dirty kitchen and had a lot of stuff around the stove and above the stove, it could've spread," Schornack said.

"I don't care how much it is, if it saves a lot of things," Belcastro said of what he pays to service his sprinkler system. "It helps me sleep at night."

Following are some of the recent police and fire reports received in Farmington and Farmington Hills:

VANDALISM

In Farmington Hills

Three tires were slashed on a 1989 Mitsubishi parked at Citation Club Apartments between Sept. 29-30, causing \$300 damage.

THEFT

In Farmington Hills

A \$400 back pack blower and \$400 weed whacker were stolen from a trailer on Granddike and Forest Brook Sept. 26.

A \$3,500 Dell Latitude computer was stolen from Atlas Copco on Enterprise Court between Sept. 15-22.

A T-top worth \$621 was stolen from a 1996 Suzuki parked at Muirwood Square on Grand River and Drake Oct. 2.

BREAK-INS

In Farmington Hills

A cellular phone and CB radio was stolen after the right front window was pried open on a 1994 Plymouth Voyager parked

at East Middle School on Middlebelt Oct. 1, causing \$200 damage.

A \$70 stereo/CD players, 20 CDs, subwoofer and speakers were stolen after the driver's side window was broken on a 1990 Mitsubishi Precis parked at Fairmont Park Apartments between Oct. 1-2, causing \$300 damage.

A radar detector was stolen after the driver's window was broken on a 1990 Pontiac Sunbird parked at Mercy High School between 9 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Oct. 2, causing \$105 damage. A cellular phone, 180 CDs and clothing were stolen from a 1997 GMC Jimmy parked at the school and the driver's side window was also broken on a 1998 Buick Century parked at Mercy High Oct. 2 in an attempted break-in, causing \$125 damage.

An AM/FM stereo, cassette tapes and sunglasses were stolen after the driver's side window was smashed on a 1989 Pontiac Firebird parked on Glenmore Heights from Oct. 1-2.

Various cassette tapes were

stolen after the passenger side window was smashed on a 1993 Mercury Topaz parked at House of Botsford Apartments between Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, causing \$300 damage. The driver's side window was broken and there was an attempt to remove a car stereo on a 1990 Honda Civic DX parked at House of Botsford Apartments Oct. 2, causing \$200 damage.

The driver's side window was smashed on a 1993 Nissan Altima parked at Village Green condominiums Oct. 2, causing \$300 damage. A car stereo was stolen after the passenger side window was smashed on a 1985 Dodge Daytona parked at Village Green condominiums Oct. 2, causing \$150 damage.

In Farmington:

A computer, monitor and printer worth \$1,900 was reported stolen after residents on Meadow Lane came home Oct. 1 after being gone all day, to find it missing from a desk top in the basement. A basement door leading to the backyard of the tri-level home was ajar. Police said

the door was unlocked, and there was no sign of forced entry anywhere in the house. The family had just bought the computer in August.

DRUNKEN DRIVING

In Farmington Hills:

Police arrested a Farmington Hills man, 39, for drunken driving on northbound Orchard Lake and 13 Mile Sept. 30. Police stopped the 1990 Dodge Omni after it was swerving. The driver had a blood alcohol level of .12 percent, which is above the legal limit of .10 percent.

ASSAULT

In Farmington Hills:

An 18-year-old girl said she was punched in the head and body by an 18-year-old male outside Wykeshire and Chapel-weigh Oct. 1.


AUTO THEFT

In Farmington Hills:

A \$30,000 green Oldsmobile Bravada was stolen from Diamond Forest Apartments on Halsted between Sept. 30-Oct. 2.

Arthritis Today

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IT HELPED A BIT, I THINK

The next time you go to the drugstore, pause at the counter selling arthritis drugs. You will see an example of man's ingenuity in marketing. No matter how quickly medical groups evaluate the dubious claims of new arthritis cures, more claims and concoctions appear. These drugs are not cheap. For example, Glucosamine costs from \$15-\$25 for a month's supply. Nor are these drugs harmless. In fact, they have caused permanent crippling to hundreds and several deaths.

You should not accept an endorsement from someone who has used the over-the-counter drug and said "I think it helped a bit."

Be sure the improvement was not the ebb and flow that is characteristic of arthritis. Also consider that hope can bias judgment. The individual giving the endorsement should have remained on the medication for at least six months before stating with certainty that the drug helped.

Arthritis claims at the counter are deceptive advertising combined with clever packaging. In contrast, medications prescribed by your doctor are based on good science and practical experience. The results are not spectacular but they are sound. The truth is that no breakthrough is expected in medication to treat arthritis, nor has any low remedy to date been found to hold secrets overlooked by licensed investigators. Every day you will hear new claims, for now stay with the therapies available for years.

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who are involved in their lives; tackle at least one hour of homework a night; and take part in extracurricular activities like sports.

Those attributes — and others like courage — should be encouraged instead of simply hammering home repetitive anti-substance abuse messages, Roberts said.

Kids are more likely to listen to messages from another child, especially one who is two years older or is in the same subgroup, like nerd or jock.

"Our children have a tremendous potential to help or hurt

one another," Roberts said. "We need to give our children permission to help one another."

The "just say no" mantra needs to be retooled as well, he said. Roberts worked with a group of students and educators in a symposium afterwards on perfecting the steps to skirt peer pressure — something they're not likely to learn from parents who have difficulty saying no to demands from work or other commitments themselves.

"How do you teach your child a social skill that you yourself don't possess?" Roberts said. "Some people in this room are

here because they don't know how to say no."

When cajoled by others to experiment with drugs or alcohol, a child must outline the consequences and try to offer an alternative — not necessarily lie — to ease out of the situation.

His five-step process included: ask questions; name the trouble; state the consequences; suggest an alternative; and leave the door open.

Many said yes to what Roberts preached.

"It's wonderful to get reminded of what we're there to do," said Linda Enberg, FFIA newsletter editor, "and it gives many of us a new spirit to give information to try and touch the lives of as many people as we can."



Speaker Clay Roberts

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SPOTLIGHT ON Orthodontics

by Josephine Finazzo, D.M.D.

NOT JUST ANOTHER PRETTY FACE

Aside from improving aesthetics, there are other reasons to pursue orthodontic treatment. Left untreated, bad bites (malocclusions) often lead to chewing problems, unnecessary wear of tooth surfaces, and damage to underlying bone and gum tissue. And, because they are more difficult to clean properly, crowded teeth are more susceptible to decay, gum disease, and eventual loss. As for protruding teeth, they are more likely to chip and break. These prospects of potential dental care and nutritional deficiencies due to bad bites and poorly positioned teeth give good reason to consider orthodontic treatment from a functional standpoint. After all, orthodontics has more to offer than a pretty smile.

October is National Orthodontic Health Month. A beautiful healthy smile is only the most obvious benefit of orthodontic treatment. This campaign spotlights the important role of orthodontic care in overall physical health and emotional well-being. This observance is sponsored by the American Association of Orthodontists which supports research and education leading to quality patient care. If you have any questions on today's column, call THE ORTHODONTIC GROUP, 19223 Merriman (422-8885).

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QUALITY BRUSHING

Making the commitment to brush your teeth twice a day is certainly a good step towards oral health. Beyond that, the American Dental Association (ADA) recommends that you brush your teeth correctly, this means spending at least two to three minutes with each brushing. Instead of giving teeth the one-minute once over, the ADA also advises toothbrushes to boost their "reach out" on the toothbrush which may cause premature wear of the enamel at the gumline. Also, children should limit themselves to only a pea-size amount of toothpaste with each brushing. Any more than that can lead to excessive swallowing of toothpaste, which may cause fluoride staining. Toothbrushes of all ages are advised to use gum-brushing soft bristle brushes and to floss the spaces between teeth that brushing cannot reach.

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