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Both Joseph Djoumessi and wife Evelyn Djoumessi are charged with conspiring to kidnap, kidnapping and child abuse. Joseph Djoumessi also faces two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct, as the teen alleges heraped her five times.

The Djoumessis maintain they were only trying to help a girl who has now turned on them and lied to police.

The young woman was asked by Parker about long distance

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wanted to."
Besides joining the family at restaurant dinners to celebrate holidoys or birthdays, the young woman said under questioning, "We'd go out after church. Sometimes we'd go to a Chinese restaurant."

restaurant."

In testimony earlier in the week, the Cameroon native portrayed her basement living quarters as wet after a rain, as smelling bad, and that the downstairs shower only ran cold

water.
"I was told not to use the bathroom upstairs. Once in a while
when everyone was gone I would
sneak up there and take a bath.
There was no bathtub downstairs," she said.

Basement conditions

Parker challenged the teen's portrayal of the condition of the Djoumessi's basement.

basement wasn't some thing that was just for you, is that a fair statement?" the attorney asked.

ney asked.
"Not really," the teen answered.
Under questioning, she said

another acquaintance of the family. Brian, would stay occasionally in the basement, sleeping on the couch and also using the stall shower that she used.

The family also got together in the basement on occasion, because it was cool there, Parker established. But the teen said that soon after she urrived, the basement's status as an occasional family gathering place changed, when it became her designated living space.

In answering questions earlier in the day, the teen described the customs of Cameroon and her life there. She said the Djoumessis struck her, and that her parents did spank her on occasion, for discipline.

"Did they hit you with their hand?" Parker asked
"I wouldn't actually call it hitting "the teen responded."

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"I wouldn't actually call it hitting," the teen responded.
She said her family, which
included five brothers and sisters, took showers in the backyard and chopped firewood for
cooking, Parker complimented
the young woman on her American-style dress and her painted

fingernalis. "You have amenities here you don't have in Cameroon?" Parker asked.
"Not really...It doesn't matter," the woman responded.
Earlier in the day, Assistant Prosecutor Cheryl Matthews showed the jury a photo of a bedroom in the Djoumessi's home, where the teen said she was raped, as a minor.
"Is that the bodroom?" Matthews asked.
"Yes it is," ahe responded.
Under earlier questioning, the teen said she got the idea to speak out about her treatment after watching a Montel Williams TV show, which fecused on victims dealing with abuse.
Testimony was scheduled to

Testimony was scheduled to continue Monday in Oakland Circuit Court.

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Employee accused of embezzling

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An alleged embezzlement of \$500,000 from a Farmington Hills company is under investigation by police.

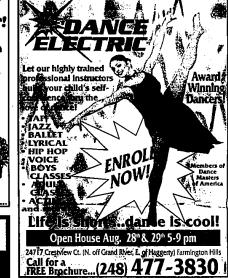
A business owner, 69, told Farmington Hills eleck to prosecute a female employee, 48, who he alleged has embezzled meney from his Farmington Hills business since 1996.

According to the police incident report, another employee of the business spotted the accused employee writing a company check for \$30,000, to her own account. An investigation by an accountant turned up more evidence of the woman writing company checks to herself, the police report continued.

There will be charges forth-coming, and Police Chief Bill Dayler, "It's been assigned to the detectives for further investigation." Authorities say the employee admitted to embezing money from her employer. Dwyer said that following the investigation, felony charges will be sought with the Oakland County prosecutor's office.







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