

POLICE CALLS

The following incidents were recently reported to the Farmington Hills Police:

ARMED ROBBERY

On Nov. 18, two men armed with pistols robbed Mug and Jug Fine Wines and Liquor, 29970 W. 12 Mile, taking cash and several bottles of liquor.

Farmington Hills police were called at 8:46 p.m., after the men pointed guns at a store clerk and ordered him to open two cash registers. After the men took the cash, they grabbed liquor bottles on their way out of the store, according to the police report. The men then walked west.

A K9 unit on loan from Southfield police tracked their scent to a nearby Papa Romano's restaurant. An employee told police he noticed a white 1990s Buick Riviera parked and running, but he couldn't see the license plate.

The men were described as African-American. One was 6 feet 11 inches, 145 pounds, light-skinned, wearing a gray-and-black jogging suit and a scarf covering his face. The other was 6 feet 7 inches, 165 pounds, with medium skin tone. Police are attempting to lift fingerprints from a bottle found broken in the lot, believed left by the robbers.

SECOND ARMED ROBBERY

Police were called at 9:27 p.m.

Nov. 18 to a Sunoco station at Orchard Lake and 13 Mile roads. An employee reported the store had just been robbed by a African-American man, 6 feet 8 inches, with a dark-colored ski mask, brown overcoat, dark gloves and a silver pistol. The thief announced "This is a stick up," and ordered the clerk to open the cash register and give him the money.

The man ran north, according to the Hills police report.

FOUND MONEY

A 48-year-old Hills man on Nov. 18 turned in a canvas bag containing \$250.97 to Hills police, after finding it on Tanglewood Street near Green Spring.

There was a telephone number written on a piece of scrap paper in the bag, and Hills police say it could belong to the owner.

HOOP GONE

A \$150 portable black Hofty Sports basketball hoop was stolen Nov. 17 from a driveway on Albion Street, according to a Hills police incident report.

POWER TOOLS TAKEN

A jig saw, drills and sanders worth nearly \$1,500 were discovered missing Nov. 18 from Mother Hubbard's Cupboards, 20769 Whitlock. A thief likely entered by unlocking a rear door dead bolt lock, according to the Hills police report.

APARTMENT RANSACKED

A Sony Playstation, stereo, watches, jewelry, cellular phone, golf clubs, printer, Palm Pilot, DVD player and DVDs were reported taken Nov. 18 from an apartment at the Independence Green Apartments in Farmington Hills.

The owner valued the items at \$7,500. A screen to a bedroom window was removed.

JEEP TAKEN

A 2001 Jeep Cherokee parked on Eisenhower Court was reported stolen Nov. 19. The owner told Hills police the vehicle had a factory-installed alarm system. There was no broken glass or other evidence of how the thief

got inside.

COUNTERFEIT BILL

A 16-year-old Harrison High School student was arrested Nov. 14 after he passed a counterfeit \$20 bill at the school to buy mints.

According to the Farmington Hills police report, the clerk taking the bill verified it was fake by using an ink dab marker. An assistant principal told police many counterfeit bills had been passed at the school over the last few months. The youth told police he got the bill from a party store in Detroit. He was released to his grandmother.

AUTO BREAK-IN

A Polo sport purse, Sony Walkman cassette player and backpack with books were reported missing Nov. 12 from a 1999 Dodge Caravan parked at the Costick Activities Center.

According to the Hills police incident report, the vehicle was locked. The owner told police she noticed damage under the door handle on the driver's side door, and it appeared the door latch had been tampered with.

GARAGE BREAK-IN

A red and black Honda snowblower valued at \$1,100, a Campbell air compressor valued at \$550, and an oxygen torch on a dolly valued at \$250 were reported missing Nov. 14 from a garage on Colwell Street. A side window to the locked garage was broken, to allow access, according to the Hills police report.

BREAK-IN ATTEMPTED

A woman living at the Gateway Apartments returned home to find the front door damaged, which caused her to suspect someone tried to break in, according to a Hills police report.

CELL PHONE, CDS TAKEN

A \$120 Audiovox cell phone and 10 CDs were reported missing Nov. 14 from a Ford Explorer parked in a driveway off of South Stockton Drive.

The victim told Hills police a similar vehicle break-in happened in the driveway a year ago.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

New tech doctor

Bruce Borowy has joined Computer Doctor of Farmington Hills as a technician.

He graduated from Georgia State University with a degree in Computer Science. His many certifications include MCP, A+, and Network+.

The company repairs computers at the Farmington Hills store location and offers a mobile computer-repair service which travels to businesses and homes. The store also sells new and pre-owned computers and accessories.

Second Vice Chair

Gabe Werba of Farmington Hills, principal of Durocher Dixon Werba Public and Financial Relations, was recently named second vice chairman of the board of directors for Common Ground Sanctuary.

CGS is a nonprofit organization that provides services to youth, adults and families in crisis.

Certified Realtor

Local real estate professional John Knaus of ERA Alliance Realty in Farmington Hills has achieved accredited buyer representative, or ABR, certification from the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors.

The ABR is a designation focused specifically on buyers and their special needs. Knaus has been a licensed Realtor since 1989.

New Hospice Director

Tracy Muscat of Farmington Hills was recently named Hospice of Michigan's director of major gifts.

Previously, Muscat was director of development for Angela Hospice and was director of major gifts at WTVS-TV 56 before being named the station's vice president of board and government relations.

Resident joins firm

Robert Gurwin of Farmington Hills has joined the intellectual property law firm of Rader, Fishman & Grauer PLLC as an associate in the firm's Technology and E-commerce Practice in Bloomfield Hills.

He holds a master of laws degree in information technology from the John Marshall Law School - Chicago.

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