

CRIME WATCH

Threats investigated

A 20-year-old William Tyndale College student was expelled, banned from campus and committed to Botsford Hospital for psychiatric observation Jan. 21 after he allegedly told a friend he would like to bring a sawed-off shotgun to school "and let it fly," according to the friend's statement to police.

The student made the threat while talking with another student in the college cafeteria, according to the Farmington Hills police report. The man also said he intended to harm himself, the police report stated.

The friend told college officials, who contacted police. The student, who had briefly left campus in a car, was detained by police when he returned to campus. A search of his room revealed no weapons.

Police interviewed the man's parents, who said the man had been treated for bipolar disorder five years ago, but had not been violent.

Tools taken

Power tools valued at nearly \$1,600 were reported stolen at 11:24 a.m. Jan. 19 from an unlocked garage on Middlebelt. Stolen were a Porter-Cable circular saw, a snowblower, cordless drill, air compressor, jig saw, hammer drill and third drill, according to the Hills police report.

Family fraud investigated

A Southfield mother, 47, and her 19-year-old daughter, a Kmart employee, were questioned by Hills police Jan. 19 after store surveillance security determined the daughter had given the mother two \$500 money orders without taking money in exchange.

Upon questioning by police, the daughter said she made out a third \$500 money order for herself. Police found receipts for the three money orders in the daughter's coat pocket. Police are weighing embezzlement charges against the daughter,

according to the police report.

Car vandalism incidents

In reports to Hills police of vandalism Jan. 21 to parked autos: A windshield to a car parked on Colfax was reported smashed sometime between 3-8:30 p.m.; a Glengrove man reported that two tires on his Buick Riviera were slashed; and the rear window to a Cadillac Escalade was reported broken out at 2:30 a.m., on Worcester.

Tires stolen during film

At nearly midnight Jan. 20, a man left the United Artists theater after seeing a movie, returned to his 2002 Olds Aurora and found two tires and rims worth \$400 had been stolen, according to a report filed with Hills police. A security guard told police he spotted a blue tow truck near the car earlier, with an orange tennis ball on the antenna. He said the truck had no identifying markings, as commercial tow-trucks tend to have.



One Great Pie: Joseph Alan Mancino, owner of Cavi's Pizza and Grinders, has worked in the family pizza business his whole life.

Cavi's has made-from-scratch pizza, grinders and much more

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Joseph Alan Mancino may be only 26 years old, but he's spent a life-time in the business of making pizza and grinders.

"It's all I've ever done," said Mancino, owner of Cavi's Pizza & Grinders, which opened recently on Farmington Road, just south of Nine Mile.

A native of the Kalamazoo area, he graduated from Three Rivers High School and has owned and operated a business since the day he graduated. He chose Farmington as the site for his Cavi's because he had always heard there was a real "small town" feeling in Farmington and Farmington Hills.

"It's been true," Mancino said. "That small town feeling meshes well with his philosophy about the food he serves. Everything's made from scratch based on family recipes, from the grinder

buns and pizza shells to the sauces and soups served daily.

"I arrive every day at 5 a.m. and do all the baking," he said. "Nothing's bought."

The quality of the food brings customers back, and Cavi's already has lots of repeat business even though the business opened just a few weeks ago. One woman got a grinder for lunch, came back to pick up one for dinner, then came back the following day to pick up three whole grinders for a gathering with friends.

And those friends were impressed, too.

"I've got two couples now driving here 35 minutes from the city, twice a week," Mancino said.

Except for his long-time girlfriend and a man who is training to open his own Cavi's Pizza & Grinders shop, Mancino does much of the work himself.

"This is my life. It's 18 hours a

day," he said. "I'm a firm believer if I go into a restaurant and see a bunch of kids running it, that's not good. I like to see the same face, a familiar face behind the counter. We like to give that feel," he said.

As Mancino speaks, a customer comes in looking for the day's soup, chicken & dumplings. The menu also includes appetizers like nachos and potato skins, salads and pasta.

All four of Mancino's brothers and sisters, the children of Frank and Carolyn Mancino, are involved in the family business, which has been alive for 30 years. A third generation is on its way, he said.

"My nephew is already jumping in and doing dishes, and he's only six years old," Mancino said.

Cavi's Pizza & Grinders is located at 20772 Farmington Road. For more information, call (248) 477-5554.



Marlund Chottimer



Amie Weddell



Jenny Forrester



George Glza



Sylvester Jones

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Kmart was both downsizing and expanding into Super Kmart stores competing with Wal-Mart and Meijer stores, Jones said.

"It has to be mismanagement," he said. "People go where they get their best deals, the best bang for the buck. True, it doesn't have all the bells and whis-

ties of other stores."

Jones finds Tylenol Sinus medicine for \$3.99 at Kmart compared to \$5 elsewhere. "I think advertising has a lot to do with it," Jones said. "They don't advertise right."

Marlund Chottimer found it wasn't the best time or place for

job seeking. "I'm looking for a job," Chottimer said. "I've been out of work for quite awhile."

Chottimer worked in market research previously. The company had some difficulty. They lost business and I lost my job."

He hoped for an entry level job or one stocking shelves.

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