



Damaged: While the outside of the home appears unscathed, inside, teens did nearly \$1 million in damage by looting and setting fire to the home.

Police continue to investigate house fire

Farmington Hills Police continue to investigate and interview teens involved in a party last Sunday evening, where a home was looted by some of the guests and eventually set on fire, causing nearly \$1 million in estimated damage.

The boy was ordered by his parents to come up to their cottage, which he did after the party started, said Dwyer. But the party, where underage drinking was taking place, raged on into Monday morning.

Police Chief William Dwyer said Friday up to four teens could be charged with arson and up to six teens could be charged with larceny in the incident that occurred to a home in the 26600 block of Trillium Drive.

Dwyer said the 15-year-old boy who lives at the home planned to host a party Sunday night while his parents were away.

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Eventually, some of the teens who were at the home purposely destroyed items inside and looted



Fired: These burned beer cans were among the debris scattered around the house on Trillium.

the home of alcohol, sports memorabilia and jewelry.

Dwyer said the department is offering a \$3,000 reward that leads to the recovery of the stolen items or the arrest of anyone responsible for looting the home. Call the department at (248) 473-9600.

Brother's THINKing helps seizure victim

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Sometimes kids do listen. Nathan Korzyk, 7, has his brother Matthew, 11, and Farmington Hills police to thank for helping him get through a seizure episode not too long ago.

Matthew, a fifth-grader at Highmeadow Common Campus school, learned how best to treat someone who is unconscious about a week before his brother's attack. He had taken part in the police department's THINK (Teaching, Helping, Involving, Noticing Kids) program.

Nathan, a second-grader at Highmeadow, has a seizure disorder, said his mom Karen Korzyk. He collapsed while at his family's Farmington Hills home on Good Friday.

In the THINK program, Matthew learned basic information about how to care for someone who had overdosed on drugs or was otherwise unconscious and having difficulty breathing, and reduce the possibility of vomiting.

While Nathan's seizure was happening, Karen was on the phone with emergency services and dad Joe was trying to help as best he could. And that's when Matthew advised his father to turn his brother on his side, just like he learned in his THINK lesson.

Immediately, Nathan's breathing became less labored, his condition improved, and shortly thereafter the seizure ended.

Nathan was taken to the hospital, and he fully recovered. Hills Police Officer Brian Bastianelli taught Matthew and his classmates about what to do in such a situation.

Bastianelli said he noticed Matthew was listening closely to his instruction while teaching



Lifesavers: Nathan Korzyk (left) is grateful to his brother, Matthew, for lessons Matthew learned in a class taught by Officer Brian Bastianelli.

the four one-hour sessions.

"We do this in the spring for fifth-graders about the consequences of drugs and alcohol and making good choices and how to deal with peer pressure," the officer said.

The THINK program was developed by substance abuse specialists at the Maple Grove Treatment Center of Henry Ford Hospital and is delivered by uniformed police officers.

Bastianelli, a paramedic before he became a police officer, said he knows that turning someone on his or her side is a way to prevent choking if the person should vomit.

"Matthew listened and paid attention," the officer said with pride, noting that when he heard about how his lesson helped someone, he was ecstatic.

"You hope you have stories like this," he said. "It makes you happy that they can put the lessons to practice."

Bastianelli, who is in charge of administering the THINK program at local schools, said about eight officers teach the course, and there's hope to expand refresher courses to the middle and high schools.

Karen is also very proud of son Matthew, noting that if Matthew and Nathan were alone, Matthew would at least know how to help his younger brother during a seizure.

"I had to let (Police Chief William Dwyer) know that I think it's a great program," she said. "When the kids get this information, it helps with their self confidence."

NFHS senior performs at festival

Ross Gasworth, a senior at North Farmington High School and principal cellist of the North Farmington High School Symphony Orchestra was one of four students from Michigan selected to perform as soloists at the Michigan Youth Arts Festival held May 10 at Western Michigan University.

He performed Concerto No. 1

in A minor for Cello and Orchestra by Camille Saint-Saens. Ross was selected from over 100,000 students in Michigan as one of the four finalists.

Carl Gippert, Orchestra/Band Director at North Farmington High School said, "I believe that this is the first instrumental string student from Farmington Public Schools to be selected for

this honor. Previous to this year, Ann Osterdale, flutist from Harrison High School was selected 30 years ago, in 1972. Paul Barber was the director of Harrison High School at that time."

Ross plans to attend Cleveland Institute of Music beginning in August. He is the son of Steve and Debbie Gasworth of Farmington Hills.

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