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Sheriff: Commerce man is murder victim

A Commerce man was found dead, lying in a pool of blood in his home around 1 a.m. on Tuesday, according to Oakland County Sheriff's deputies. The man was reportedly discovered by his daughter, who had gone to his house in the 1000 block of Sleeth Road to check on him. The Oakland County Sheriff's Office ruled the death a homicide. No further details were available at press time.

Barn damaged

A Highland man returned from a two-week vacation July 13 to his Tipsico Road home to find someone had thrown a piece of wood through his barn window, according to Oakland County Sheriff's deputies. The window and screen were damaged, but there didn't appear to be any attempt at a break in, deputies said.

Gun reported stolen

The owner of a construction clean up business in Milford reported his 9 mm gun was missing from his dump truck, parked at the business along the 2000 block of Childs Lake on July 11. The man told police he left the gun locked in a brief case on the floor of the truck, which was also locked. He left the scene around 2:30 a.m. and returned less than three hours later, discovering the vent window of the truck appeared to be pried open. The brief case was gone, he said, and also contained a camera and some paperwork. The man told police he goes into dangerous areas for his job and needs the gun for protection. According to reports, he said his brother, who works with him, is the only one who he thought knew about the gun.

Open intoxicants

A 27-year-old woman and 41-year-old man, both Dearborn residents, were ticketed Saturday in Milford for having open intoxicants in a motor vehicle. Police were contacted after someone spotted them drinking in their car at a Milford gas station. Police caught up with the car at Camp Dearborn, where it was determined the driver wasn't drinking any alcohol in the car but his two passengers were.

Drunk driver hits motorcycle

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies arrested a 24-year-old Highland man recently after he reportedly hit a motorcycle with his car and then fled the accident scene. According to reports, the motorcycle was stopped at a traffic light on Highland and Duck Lake roads when it was rear-ended by a car. The motorcycle driver and his passenger told deputies they pulled into a nearby gas station, thinking the car driver would follow. Instead, he took off.

He was trailed to a home on Oakridge and reportedly apologized to the motorcycle driver and offered to pay for damages. Deputies called to the scene said he told them he just "tapped" the motorcycle, then apologized. They suspected he had been drinking, and administered a preliminary breath test. His blood alcohol level registered at .29 percent, according to reports. Anyone with a blood alcohol level of .08 percent or higher is considered legally drunk. The man was jailed for a charge of operating while intoxicated, second offense.