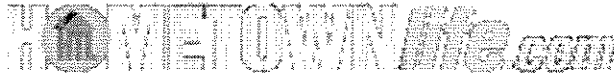




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## Woman allegedly assaulted in Highland parking lot

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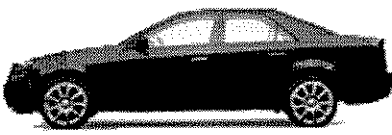
A 33-year-old Waterford woman was arraigned on a charge of felonious assault May 15 in Novi's 52-1 District Court, stemming from a March incident in which she reportedly hit her former friend, a 33-year-old Highland woman, and then threatened her with her vehicle.




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Danielle Jeanette Brown, 33, is free on personal bond and due back in court within the next couple weeks, according to Oakland County Sheriff's deputies.

Reports indicate Brown met up with her former friend at a parking lot near Duck Lake and Highland roads when the altercation began shortly before 3 p.m. The two women had been involved in a verbal dispute about a week earlier.

The victim said Brown got out of her vehicle and struck her in the head with an object, got back in her car and drove in reverse, stopping short of pinning the victim between her car and another.

The victim told deputies she feared for her safety, and struck Brown's vehicle with an ice scraper. Brown then left, and the victim drove

to the Highland substation and made a report. Deputies said she had a large lump and bruise above her eye and bruising on her arm.

Brown admitted to hitting the woman but denied using a weapon and claimed she backed up strictly to scare her, deputies said. Brown faces one count of felonious assault with a motor vehicle and a second count of assault and battery.

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## **neighbor accused of shooting at dogs**

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies are investigating a complaint accusing a 71-year-old man of shooting at his neighbors' dogs with a BB gun on May 13. According to reports, two woman who live on Eleanor Street in Highland said the neighbor aimed his gun at their barking dogs and fired. There were no injuries to the three dogs, which were all in the same yard at the time.

Deputies said the man admitted to pointing his gun at the dogs, but said he shot above their heads. He also reportedly said he uses his BB gun to kill chipmunks.

Deputies confiscated the BB gun. The case is open.

## **drugged driving**

A driver pulled over by Milford police for speeding and driving recklessly could face charges of driving while under the influence of narcotics, pending results of a blood test.

According to reports, the 41-year-old driver was stopped on South Hill Road around 9:30 p.m. on May 13 in a vehicle that had a handicapped license plate. Police said he told them he was test driving the car for a friend and that it needed repairs. He gave police permission to search the car, and they reportedly found a broken pen with white residue inside the gear shifter, a cap with crushed white powder and an unlabeled prescription bottle containing two types of pills.

When police checked his nose, they reportedly found white powder packed on the inside of his left nostril. He told them he snorted crushed Vicodin because it works faster than swallowing a tablet, police said.

The driver failed some sobriety tests and was slurring his words. He was taken to a local medical facility for a blood draw and then held at the Milford police station until he was sober. Police are awaiting results from the Michigan State Police lab. The case is open pending a warrant review.

## **bonfire busted**

A 19-year-old Milford woman and a 20-year-old Milford man were ticketed after police were called to check out a noisy party on S. Milford Road last Saturday, around 2:30 a.m.

Police said music was blaring from a vehicle parked near a pond in a back yard along the 1500 block of S. Milford Road, so officers went to investigate. They said they spotted a girl beginning to walk away, and when told to stop she ran into a nearby swamp. A young male was spotted running toward the woods.

After police identified the male, they made contact with his mother who convinced him to return to the party and talk to police. He reportedly said he ran because he didn't want to get in trouble. He admitted drinking and registered a blood alcohol level of .117 percent. He was cited for obstructing police and minor in possession of alcohol, and released to his mother's custody. The woman who ran into the swamp was identified, as well, and was cited for obstructing police.

## **false call**

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies said a 20-year-old Commerce man was ticketed May 10 after he called for medical assistance for severe intoxication — but then said he was joking.

Deputies arrived at the scene of a party along the 4700 block of Rayfare and determined there was drinking going on in the garage. The garage door was opened about 25 percent, and deputies slipped underneath it to get inside the garage, since the partygoers had locked the side entry door when they realized deputies had arrived. Some of the partygoers told police the caller was in the house, in bed. Concerned for the caller's welfare, deputies forced their way into the house. They found the 20-year-old sleeping in a bedroom, and he said he called as a prank, according to reports.

He admitted to drinking beer and smoking marijuana, and said he just wanted to sleep. Fire department personnel checked him out, and said he was OK. He registered a blood alcohol level of .11 percent. He was ticketed for disorderly conduct, misuse of 9-1-1, underage drinking and giving false information to law enforcement, since he initially told them he was older than he is.