

POLICE BEAT

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FERNDALE

Detroit man accused of attempted murder

Danny Lamont Smith, 21, **of Detroit** faces a preliminary exam at 8 a.m. today at 43rd District Court on charges he shot a **man** four times in Ferndale July 30, police said.

He faces charges **of** armed robbery and **attempted murder** . He was arraigned Sept. 19.

Smith is **accused of** trying to rob the **man** in the 1300 block **of** West Troy at about 11 a.m. July 30. Police said he then shot the **man** four times in the back as the **man** tried to run away.

Police said the victim was at a vacant house to give a price estimate on a paint job. He walked outside the house to his van and was approached by the suspect, who reportedly had a gun and demanded money.

Ferndale police said they arrested Smith after **Detroit** police surveillance officers recognized him from a composite sketch **of** the gunman.

Smith pleaded guilty last month to an unrelated unarmed robbery in **Detroit** , police said.

The victim in the July 30 shooting is recovering.

MADISON HEIGHTS

8-year-old boy accuses teenage boy of assault

An 8-year-old boy reported to police that he was assaulted by a high school student as he walked to Schoenhals Elementary School on Sept. 25.

The incident occurred at 7:20 a.m. near 11 Mile and Hales, according to police reports.

The boy and his mother told police that a teenager grabbed the boy by the jacket and said, "Give me all **of** your lunch money."

The teen shook the boy, then threw him to the ground when the boy said he didn't have any money, police said.

The teen, spotted running away from the boy by a witness, was identified as a 14-year-old Madison Heights boy. He could face a charge **of attempted** strong-arm robbery.

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