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Officer gives tips on university security

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The men and women in the blue uniforms, who wear the badge of the University Police, have spent the summer months biding their time, awaiting the arrival of the massive student body that makes this campus come alive every fall. Now that you're here, let us be among the first to say, "Welcome," or "Welcome back," (whichever the case may be).

Since I am the crime prevention officer, I decided to wise up and make use of the best-read paper in the world, *The Daily Tar Heel*, to bring the students up-to-date on what's happening on campus, and a few things they should be warned about regarding security.

If you're a guy, reach for your back pocket and make sure your wallet is in place. One of the worst problems we had on campus last season was theft of wallets. No, we were not under a siege of pickpockets! These thefts happened because our people carried their wallets everywhere they went, and when they would buy something, leave it on a counter ... or find it prodding their back sides while they slouched in a chair to study. When their conscious minds would drift back from the depths of curriculum-related study, or from the Land of Nod, they would find the wallet that had been laid aside for comfort or from neglect was gone.

To get around this problem, we are going to recommend that you leave your wallet locked safely in your room. Take out enough money to get you through the day, or enough to last until you can get back to your room. You might need your Student I.D. card. Some people might want to carry a couple of blank, unsigned checks — all tied together with a money clip, a rubber band, or a paper clip. You are thus armed for a day's spending, while your wallet rests safely in your room. Then, when you are slinking down in that hard chair in the library for an afternoon's study, there will be nothing to gouge your rear end, causing you to lose the wallet.

Have you been down into the Bell Tower Parking Lot lately? Did you notice the little brick building that has been erected there? This building was built tioned there in the evenings and into the night. The idea was to make the place safer for those who walk from downtown or from the libraries back to South Campus. Also, you might notice that some more lighting has been added in this area. Speak to this guard every time you pass. His is probably a lonely lot, and a cheery wave will be appreciated.

There seems to be a new problem cropping up from time to time around campus. Thieves are getting bolder. It is now imperative that you sleep with your residence hall door locked. If your room is too cold and you need the heat of the hallway, see if granny will spare you a quilt. If your room is too hot and you need a breeze from the hallway, open your window and put in a fan. Seriously, if you sleep with your room door unlocked, there is a chance that someone will hear you snoring and pay you a nocturnal visit. When you wake, you may find your stereo, your purse, wallet, calculator — or worst of all — your tape collection gone.

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Of course you already know that the room will have to be kept locked while you're out of the room. There have been instances when it was reported that persons got ripped off while responding to a call by nature. It only takes a couple of seconds for a determined thief to reach his/her long, probing, dexterious fingers into a room, lift something, hide it on their person and blend, like a chameleon, into the scenery.

Sometimes you will see a person wandering around your living or study area. You can tell this person by the shifty eye. You might see an ear swivel 45 degrees, like that of a Tennessee mule, listening for danger or opportunity. Or, this person may look exactly like a fellow student in dress and carriage — if it's possible to describe a typical student stereotype. When a patrolling police officer sees this person, legitimate residents. But you will know ... from instinct, conduct, experience (or some combination). When this happens, I would advise going to the nearest phone and calling the University Police. They would rather come and trouble the person for his I.D. card than have to investigate a theft — or worse. An option would be to contact your resident assistant and see if the R.A. would want to check the person's I.D. I would not recommend trying to investigate the person on your own, other than to ask, "Can I help you find somebody?" This is one area in which the police really do need your help.

Did you manage to get your bike around to one of the bike registration clinics at the Pit? If you can't ... or didn't, it's not to worry. The Chapel Hill Police will register it during working hours weekdays. So would any of the fire stations in Chapel Hill. The University Police will register your bike at the YMCA, if you will call ahead and arrange an appointment (or be sure an officer is on hand who has access to the tools and decals). It's free this year. According to our statistics, only about four of the 120 bikes stolen last year were registered. Does this mean that thieves find registered bikes too hot to mess with?

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We have a few engravers to loan out. These little gadgets, when plugged into an electric outlet, will write on most anything above water. We loan them for free, after being assured that you will bring them back shortly. A handshake and your word is all the collateral required. Also, from the statistics, we notice that precious few items are reported, stolen that have a driver's license inscribed on it. There must be a good reason for this.

Now for an item of bad news. FIRE LANES. The

under two conditions: (1) If you love parking citations at the tune of \$25.00; or (2) if you want to risk having your car towed. Seriously, though, you really shouldn't park in a fire lane. Lives are too precious to take the risk. Who would want such a thing on their conscience? The cost may not be in dollars — but in lives!

One more hot item and I'll close the sermon and pass the plate. Parking Lots. I'm not going to say a word about permits and violations of the parking regulation. That is mostly the business of the traffic monitors. I'm speaking about the vulnerability of your car to vandals and thieves while sitting innocently parked on a parking lot. It is downright embarrassing to a police patrolman to find that someone has broken a car glass, raised a hood, or jimmied a lock and ripped off your possessions. We have cars patrolling the parking lots constantly, trying to prevent your car from getting into a statistics file.

You can help us with this problem without expending a lot of energy or thought. For instance, when you park and dismount, take a look around you at other cars. Is anyone working under a raised hood? Is anyone messing around with a car that has a bashed glass? Is anyone removing a wheel or wheels from a car and putting them into a van, truck or other car? Is there some other unspecifiable curiosity that the police really need to know about? The only thing we would like for you to do is give us a telephone call as soon as you get to a phone. Don't try to ask questions and investigate yourself. If the activity looks suspicious to you on the surface, that's reason enough to give us that crucial, timely call. Don't break into a run to get to the phone. Walk normally, but directly. We really do need your help in this matter.

If there is some way I can be helpful to you as an individual, a group, or whatever at any time during your stay at UNC, please call. The same applies to any of the officers who serve you 24 hours a day in rain, snow, sleet or shine.

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Another part of the decree states that the government would like to see 10.6 percent black enrollment at the white schools and 15 percent white enrollment at the black schools by 1986, when the decree runs out, a goal that University officials say should be easily attainable.

Black leaders also feel the black-white percentages will be reached, but it is the government's attitude that concerns them the most. Education Secretary Terrell Bell has made it clear that failure to reach the proposed totals will not automatically mean UNC is not fulfilling its promise.

"These numerical goals are set with the clear understanding that failure to comply with the agreement," Bell said. "This flexibility in goals will ensure that they are not interpreted as rigid quotas at some time in the future," he added.

Black Student Movement Chairman Mark Canady said this lack of pressure could hurt desegregation efforts in the coming years. "There is nothing concrete in the consent decree," he said. "It really doesn't do anything and there are no guarantees.

"This is not to say that the University will not work to do something and I'm not questioning their good faith, but my main problem is that there is no pressure," Canady added.

Under the terms of the agreement, however, the University must submit an annual report to Dupree, reporting on the status of its desegregation efforts. The government has voluntarily withdrawn from the administrative law proceedings that began when former Department of Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Joseph Califano attempted to cut off federal aid to the UNC system.

Dupree, as judge, will monitor the commitments made in the agreement. "Hopefully there will be no need for the government to file a (complaint) motion," said senior Deputy Attorney General Andrew Vanore, who has worked with UNC lawyers on the case. "We fully intend to honor every commitment we've made."

Meanwhile, the NAACP will continue its efforts in the courts, battles that they have lost three times. Rauh says under the

