

Juveniles Blamed For Vandalizing Mobile Homes With Satanic Graffiti

A group of juveniles is being blamed for vandalizing more than 20 vacation mobile homes in the Supply area sometime in the past six weeks, a local detective said Monday.

Owners returned to their homes last week to find more than \$700 worth of property missing and an estimated \$650 damage to eight mobile homes and two camper trailers in the Coastal Retreat subdivision off Stanbury Road in Supply recently, according to a crime report on file at the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department.

At least 23 vacation trailers have been found with similar damage within a one-mile radius, according to Detective Gene Caison, who is investigating the cases.

Windows were smashed in several of the homes. Curtains and papers were burned in one home. Satanic symbols and slogans were found spray-painted on some of the mobile homes, according to reports by deputies Cathy Hamilton, Robert Young and Malcolm Long.

The eight damaged trailers described in the reports were all vacation homes owned by people from Salisbury, Fayetteville, Randleman, Lexington and Madison, W.Va. Six were on Buckeye Street and two on Oyster Lane. Most had been left vacant since November, the reports said.

One home had coffee and sugar poured all over the kitchen floor. Suntan oil and toothpaste were sprayed on the hallway walls. A nylon rope securing the refrigerator door was burned off, Hamilton reported.

A condom was found hanging from a ceiling fan in one of the trailers. Photographs were taken out of albums and strewn across the floor along with other items. Hamilton found evidence that candles had been burned in the home.

In another trailer, someone carved three pentagrams (an occult symbol) and slogans such as "Satan is going to get you," "Go to hell," and "Hi!" with an exclamation point, Hamilton's report said.

Long reported finding "Satanic sculptures" on the back of one camper trailer along with the word "Goodbye."

Caison said Monday that there was no evidence to suggest that the symbols indicate cult activity or devil worship.

"It looked like a bunch of kids who saw this stuff on TV," Caison said.

Young found burnt paper on a kitchen table and a door curtain burned at another trailer. Many of the trailers had walls, furniture and appliances profusely "decorated" with multi-colored spray paint.

Among the items found missing from some of the trailers were a fire extinguisher, a can of hair spray, a black jacket, a hunting knife, a bottle of perfume, a ring and an embroidery painting.

Caison is continuing the investigation and expects arrests to be made soon.

In other crime reports on file at the sheriff's department Monday:

■A 1983 Cadillac El Dorado was found "burned to a crisp" about a

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half mile down a dirt road off N.C. 130 West last week. Deputy Robert Long II reported that the car, valued at about \$2,500, was a total loss. It was owned by a woman who lives on Hale Swamp Road.

■Two color televisions valued at about \$900 were stolen in a break-in at a camper trailer on Caison Loop Road, Winnabow Friday, according to Deputy Charles Crocker. The thief or thieves apparently broke in by prying open the front door. There was an estimated \$150 damage.

■Someone stole a five-week-old yellow Labrador retriever puppy from a box behind a home on Cotton Patch Road, Route 6, Shallotte, Thursday night. Deputy Phil Bryant estimated the dog's value at \$600.

■There was about \$900 damage and a color television was stolen during a break-in at a mobile home on Durant Avenue sometime last week. The owner told Deputy William Hewett that he left the residence at about 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 7, and returned Wednesday to find the front door pried open, a sliding glass door broken and two window frames bent. The television was valued at \$250.

■Someone broke into the Leland post office, smashed the glass on a mail box and stole an envelope containing \$208 worth of food stamps last week. According to Hewett, the man who rents the post office box said it was undamaged last Tuesday, March 9. He discovered the theft Thursday evening.

■A 1979 Chrysler Cordoba was stolen from the driveway of a trailer at the Brunswick mobile home park,

Leland, Friday night. Deputy Richard Long estimated the car's value at \$500.

■A .32-caliber starter pistol and four knives were stolen in a break-in at a summer home on Maple Creek Road, off Stone Chimney Road recently. The owner told Long he found the door to his home pried open and the items missing Thursday.

■A mobile home on Stone Chimney Road was broken into Saturday, Deputy Robert Young reported. The owner arrived at the home at about 10 p.m. to find a back door window broken out. Found missing was a

small cooler, a 12-pack of soft drinks and a radio cassette player valued at a total of about \$78.

■About \$70 worth of tools were stolen from a pickup truck parked on Oakmont court, Leland, Friday. The owner told Hewett the vehicle was parked in his yard with the passenger door ajar. The tools had been left behind the seat.

■A pair of sunglasses and two cassette tapes by Elvis Presley and Nat King Cole were stolen from a 1976 Chevrolet parked on Live Oak Drive, Sunset Beach last week. Deputy Joey Adams estimated their value at \$27.

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