Cigarettes, Beer, Snacks Stolen In Golf Course Clubhouse Break-In RED ROSES

More than \$600 worth of cigarettes, beer, soft drinks, snacks and other items were stolen in a break-in and larceny at the Jones-Byrd Clubhouse at SeaTrail golf course Friday night, according to a crime report on file at the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department Monday.

An employee at the club told Deputy Keithan Home that when she came to work Saturday morning, she saw "the kitchen area in a mess, the beer cooler open, boxes on the floor, and candy and crackers strewn on the floor."

Checking further, she found the cigarette machine out front had been broken into and the contents removed, the report said. She also noticed that the front door had been forced open.

Horne surmised that the subjects entered the building by prying open the glass door, twisting the metal and causing about \$1,200 damage. Footprints were found on a counter top. A snack rack was found on the floor empty.

The building's alarm had not been set the night before, Horne reported. The upper and lower locks on the glass door were not locked, leaving it secured only by a dead bolt.

Detective Tom Hunter has been assigned to investigate the break-in.

CRIME REPORT

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

A 25-horsepower outboard motor, a marine battery and a plastic gasoline tank were stolen from a boat parked at a mobile home on Randolph Road in Sunset Harbor sometime in the past three weeks. The boat owner told Deputy Michael Weldrick that he arrived at his vacation trailer Friday night to find the items missing. Weldrick estimated the value of stolen property at \$3,565. ■More than \$300 worth of tools were stolen from

a home off Ash-Little River Road in Ash Thursday or Friday night. According to Deputy Randy Robinson's report, the victim said that someone entered his home through a door or window and stole a circular saw, an electric drill, a set of chisels and \$100 worth of drill bits.

Someone stole a combination television/video cassette recorder, an estimated \$850 worth of basketball cards and a "Michael Jordan collector plate" from a home on Lewis Road, Leland, Saturday night. The homeowner's girlfriend told Deputy M. Snowden that she discovered that the

front door of the trailer had been forced open and the stolen items removed. Snowden estimated the total value of missing property at \$1,440.

Vandals apparently caused an estimated \$300 damage to a white Cadillac parked at a funeral service on U.S. 17 outside Shallotte Friday night. Home's report said an employee was doing yard work when he noticed that a gas cap had been removed from the car and the rear lighting wiring had been torn loose.

Someone tried to break into a home on Lillie Trail, Bolivia, Saturday night, but nothing was found missing. The owner told Deputy Rebekah McDonald that she woke up at about 6:30 Sunday morning to find that someone had opened a window to her living room. A neighbor told police that someone was seen near the house with a flashlight at about 2:30 a.m.

A pizza :estaurant in Southport reported that someone cashed two checks at the business that were later found to be stolen. The value of the checks totalled \$155, Deputy J.D. Gray reported. A windshield was found smashed on a pickup truck at Cloverleaf Mobile Home Park, Leland, Sunday. The owner-told Snowden that someone had apparently thrown something through the glass between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Supply Driver (Cited For Yield Violation

A Supply woman was charged with a yield violation following an accident that happened Wednesday, May 12, at 7:10 a.m. on U.S. 17 approximately 5.3 miles north of Bolivia.

Sadie Mae Shaw, 48, of Leland, was southbound on U.S. 17 in a 1988 Cadillac and Barbara Clemmons Robinson, 33, of Supply, was northbound, driving a 1983 Ford truck.

According to Trooper D.B. Harvell's report, Robinson attempted to make a left turn into a store driveway, striking Shaw's vehicle in the left front fender. The Cadillac ran off the road on the right and the pickup stopped in the driveway to the store.

Shaw received serious but not incapacitating injuries, and Robinson had complaints of injury. Both were transported to New Hanover Regional Medical Center in Wilmington. Damage to the Cadillac was esti-

mated at \$1,000 and to the Ford, \$2,000.

That was the only Brunswick County accident reported Tuesday by the N.C. Highway Patrol office in Wilmington in which charges were filed.

A Fayetteville man was seriously injured last Tuesday, May 11, in an early morning accident seven miles north of Shallotte on Stone Chimney Road (S.R. 1115).

Dale Alan Childers, 42, of Fayetteville, was driving north on Stone Chimney Road in a 1981 Chevrolet when he failed to stop at the N.C. 211 intersection. The car traveled through the intersection, struck a ditch bank, and came to rest in a field, reported Trooper J.H. Kerr.

No arrest was made. Childers was transported to The Brunswick Hospital with serious, but non-incapacitating injuries. Damage to the vehicle was estimated at \$5,000.

A Wilmington man escaped serious injury Friday, May 14, when the 1990 Mitsubishi he was driving overturned.

The accident occurred at 8:10 p.m. approximately six-tenths of a mile north of Bolivia on U.S. 17.

Garry Nelson Dunlow, 46, was northbound on U.S. 17 when the vehicle ran off the road, down an embankment and overturned, striking a tree, reported Trooper R.L. Murray. No charges were filed.

Dunlow had complaints of injury, but was not transported.

Damage to the Mitsubishi was estimated at \$5,500.

The driver in a one-vehicle accident that happened around 3:40 a.m. Sunday 2.2 miles north of Bolivia on U.S. 17 told the investigating trooper a deer ran out in front of his vehicle.

According to Trooper D.B. Jason Todd Welt, 24, of Aurora, Colo., was driving north on U.S. 17 in a

1991 Chevrolet. His vehicle ran off the road on the right, struck a sign and overturned on the shoulder, sustaining about \$5,000 in damages.

Both Welt and a passenger, Scott Moorhead of Roanoke, Va., received serious, but non-incapacitating injuries and were transported to New Hanover Regional Medical Center. No charges were filed.

Correction

In an article in the May 13 Beacon, Waban and Kellers Thomas were identified as having tried to put out a fire in a Calabash mobile home and having seen a suspect who was later arrested and charged with arson. Investigating Detective Tom Hunter of the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department said Monday he has been informed that only Waban Thomas was involved in helping extinguish the blaze and seeing the suspect.

Assistant D.A. Lewis Named District Judge

Gov. Jim Hunt has appointed Brunswick County Assistant District Attorney Ola M. Lewis as District Court Judge in the 13 Judicial District, which includes Brunswick, Bladen and Columbus counties.

Lewis will replace Judge Jack Hooks, who was appointed as a 13th District Superior Court Judge in March.

In naming her to the post, Hunt

duled to hear her first cases in Brunswick County District Court Monday.

A 1986 business administration graduate of Fayetteville State University, Lewis earned her law degree from N.C. Central University in 1990. After serving as a clerk and staff attorney with the Raleigh law firm of Thigpen, Blue, Stephens and Fellers, she was hired by the for judge recommended to the governor by members of the district bar association. Also considered by

Gov. Hunt were Tom Aldridge of Whiteville and James Melvin of Elizabethtown.

Women's Handgun Safety Course Offered

The Brunswick County Law Enforcement Association, in conjunction with the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department crime prevention office, will sponsor a handgun safety course to be held Saturday, June 5, at 10 a.m. Participants will receive instruction in self-defense and the law, handgun safety and handgun firing procedures, followed by a supervised period of live firing. Those who take part in the class

must provide their own handgun and

ammunition. Ear protection is advised. Women may register for the class



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called Lewis "a highly respected prosecutor whose expertise and experience as an assistant district attorney will make her a fine district court judge."

Judge Lewis was sworn in during an informal ceremony before Judge Jerry Jolly last week. She was sche-

Brunswick County District Attorney's office in 1991.

At age 27, Lewis is the first woman and the youngest person ever appointed Judge in the 13th District. She is one of only six black female judges in the state's history. Lewis was one of three candidates

calling the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department at 1-800-672-6379 and leaving their name, address and telephone number. Further details will be sent by mail.

The number of participants will be limited, with registration approved on a first-come, first-served basis.

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