

Vacation Home Owners Find Break-Ins Over Holiday Weekend

Seven homes on two streets in Sunset Harbor were hit by thieves recently, according to crime reports on file at the Brunswick County Sheriff's Department Monday.

Deputies were deluged with calls to investigate break-ins throughout the county as vacation home owners returned to the area for the three-day holiday weekend. Many of the homes had been left vacant for a month or more.

Three of the Sunset Harbor break-ins were discovered on Gervais Street and another four occurred on Darby Street.

Ten fishing rods and reels valued at about \$740 were stolen from a mobile home on Gervais Street sometime between Aug. 28 and Sept. 4. The Rockingham man who owns the trailer told Deputy Joseph Scoggins that his neighbor had called to report that the back door glass had been broken. Damage was estimated at about \$25.

Two campers on the same street were broken into sometime between Aug. 8 and Sept. 4 by a thief or thieves who stole a 12-volt battery and a fire extinguisher from one camper and nothing from the other. Scoggins estimated the value of stolen goods at \$120 and the damage at \$100.

Deputy Rebekah McDonald was called to investigate the theft of a gill net and two rods and reels in two separate break-ins at another residence on the street. The owner, a Charlotte man, said that someone entered his garage and stole the net at about 4 p.m. Aug. 29. He told McDonald that he had forgotten to report another incident that occurred between June 16 and July 3, in which the fishing gear was stolen after someone broke in a rear bedroom window. There was an estimated \$75 damage and \$210 worth of stolen goods.

On Darby Street, someone reportedly pried open the door of a storage building and stole a golf cart valued at about \$1,000 sometime between Aug. 22 and Sept. 3. The owner told Deputy J.R. Earp Jr. that he found the lock pried off the door of the building. It appeared that the three-wheeled cart had been pushed away or "hot wired," since the keys were not left inside.

A Hamlet, S.C., woman whose vacation trailer is on the same street

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told Deputy Malcolm Long that someone cut the screen on the back porch of the home and tried to pry open the back door. Nothing was reported missing. The woman said she discovered the damage, estimated at \$120, when she arrived at about 10 a.m. Saturday. The trailer had been left vacant since Aug. 8.

McDonald investigated another break-in on the street in which there was an estimated \$75 damage to a rear door window and the door to a nearby shed. A neighbor discovered the break-in Friday night while securing some outdoor porch furniture at the home. The owner said the home had been left intact Aug. 22.

In addition, there was about \$10 damage done to screen door at a vacation trailer on Darby Street. The owner, a Clover, S.C., woman, told police that she had been gone for about three weeks and returned Friday morning to find that the back door screen had been cut open. There was no sign of entry.

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

■ Three men with baseball bats helped a man chase off his former girlfriend's new boyfriend at her home on Sweet Bay Drive in Sea Pines subdivision near Southport Saturday night. The woman who lives in the trailer told McDonald that she was awakened at about 3 a.m. when she heard her daughter screaming. The woman said she got up and found that her ex-boyfriend had broken in and was standing in the living room. He shoved past her into the bedroom and chased her new boyfriend into the yard, where three men with baseball bats were waiting and chased him down the road. The case is being investigated as a first-degree burglary.

■ A Broadway man was robbed of \$145 cash when he stopped to make a call at a pay telephone outside the Phoenix Country Store in Leland Saturday night. He told Deputy Brian Sanders that he was talking on the phone at about 11:45 when he saw two black males walking toward him from Cedar Hill Road. "He stated that he didn't pay much attention to them and the next thing he knew the two black males were choking him and threw him on the

ground," Sanders said. The two reportedly told the man to "give it up," then removed the money from his pocket and ran off.

■ Someone fired a rifle through the window of a summer residence on Pompano Street in Little Shallotte River Estates recently. The owner, who lives in Climax, told Long that he found the rifle slug inside the trailer Saturday morning at about 7 o'clock. The deputy estimated the damage to the inner and outer windows at about \$200.

■ An estimated \$1,200 worth of fishing tackle was stolen by a thief or thieves who cut the lock off a shed outside a summer residence in Shell Point Acres recently. The Walnut Cove man who owns the home told Long that there were 14 rods and reels and a tackle box taken. The theft was discovered Saturday night.

■ Fishing tackle and tools valued at more than \$1,100 were stolen from a home and storage shed on Ann Boney Drive in the Buccaneer Hills subdivision at Holden Beach recently. The owner told McDonald that he returned to the vacation home from Lumberton to find that someone had pried open the front door of the trailer and the storage building. Missing were eight fishing rods, a tackle box, life jackets, a circular saw, a tool box, a paint gun, a rechargeable drill, an electric screwdriver, three hammers, a jigsaw and a marine battery. There was an estimated \$370 damage.

■ A color television, a videocassette recorder, a microwave oven and an electric screwdriver were reported stolen from a vacation trailer in the Cherrywood subdivision at Holden Beach sometime in the past three weeks. Long found that the thief had forced through the back door to get inside. He estimated the value of stolen property at \$365 and the damage at \$100.

■ Deputy Phil Bryant investigated the theft of an electric chain hoist from a tobacco barn on Ash-Little River Road that was discovered by one of the owner's employees early Friday morning. It was valued at about \$700.

■ A 70-horsepower Evinrude outboard motor was reported stolen from a boat parked in the Conch Shell storage area sometime in the past two weeks. Also found missing was the boat's control panel and a

fishing net. Deputy Randy Robinson estimated the total value of stolen property at \$6,515.

■ Someone broke a lock and stole a 6-horsepower Evinrude outboard motor off a boat parked in the yard of a home on Shell Point Road Thursday night. Long estimated its value at \$500.

■ The lower drive of an inboard motor was stolen from a boat parked in front of a produce stand on N.C. 179 near Ocean Isle Beach sometime in the past week. The Laurinburg man who owns the boat told Deputy Robert Long that he had left it there in hopes of selling it. When he came back to the area Monday, he found that the drive unit, a generator and fuel tank assembly had been removed. Long estimated their value at \$2,500.

■ Deputy Matthew Jesson investigated the theft of an air conditioner and gas grill from a home on Potterfield Road, Winnabow, Saturday night. The deputy estimated the value of stolen property at \$1,300.

■ In another break-in on the same street, a water pump and bladder tank were stolen sometime between Aug. 31 and Sept. 3, according to Deputy Richard Long's report. The owner said the items were taken from a storage shed outside the mobile home. The stolen property was valued at \$133.

■ Long also investigated the reported theft of a single-barrel .410 shotgun from a mobile home on Mt. Misery Road in Leland Friday night. The owner said he had gone out of town with friends and returned to find the gun missing from its hiding place beneath the living room couch. It was valued at about \$128.

■ A man told Scoggins that about \$700 worth of stereo equipment was stolen from his car while it was in the care of a Southport body shop. He said he left his 1986 Chevrolet Camaro at the shop to be painted last July. When it was returned six weeks later, the man who drove it said that "some parts were missing." The victim told Scoggins that a speaker cabinet, two woofers, an electrical crossover unit and a power amplifier were missing from the car.

■ Two televisions, two window fans and a clock radio valued at nearly \$700 were stolen from a trailer in the Villa Nova mobile home park near Southport recently. The owner told Deputy J.D. Gray that she had been away from the residence for about two weeks and discovered the

theft Monday afternoon. The deputy estimated the value of stolen property at nearly \$700.

■ Earp investigated the theft of a wallet from an employee at the Carolina Power and Light nuclear power plant near Southport Saturday afternoon. The man said the wallet, containing \$40 in cash, seven credit cards and a drivers license, was removed from his clothing in the plant dressing room.

■ A man who lives in the Heritage Haven subdivision of Calabash reported that someone damaged his mailbox over the weekend. He told Bryant that there was a party at a home across the street Friday night and the vandalism was found the next morning. There was an estimated \$20 damage.

Man Nabbed For Car Theft Sought On Maryland Charges

Sunset Beach Police Chief J.B. Buell said "quick response by police" Friday night led to the recovery of a stolen car and the arrest of a fugitive wanted in Maryland for narcotics violations.

Ruth Pratt Lemons of Shoreline Drive, Sunset Beach, reported her 1992 Lincoln Town Car missing from her driveway at 11:30 p.m., Buell said. The keys had been left in the ignition.

A short time later, Sgt. Lisa Massey spotted the car as she patrolled near the Pelican Square shopping center at Seaside. Upon arresting Allen Kenneth Staimons, who listed his residence as Magnolia Drive, Sunset Beach, Massey discovered he

was wanted in Baltimore for narcotics violations, Buell said.

As of Tuesday morning, Staimons was in the Brunswick County jail. He was expected to be extradited to Maryland, according to Buell.

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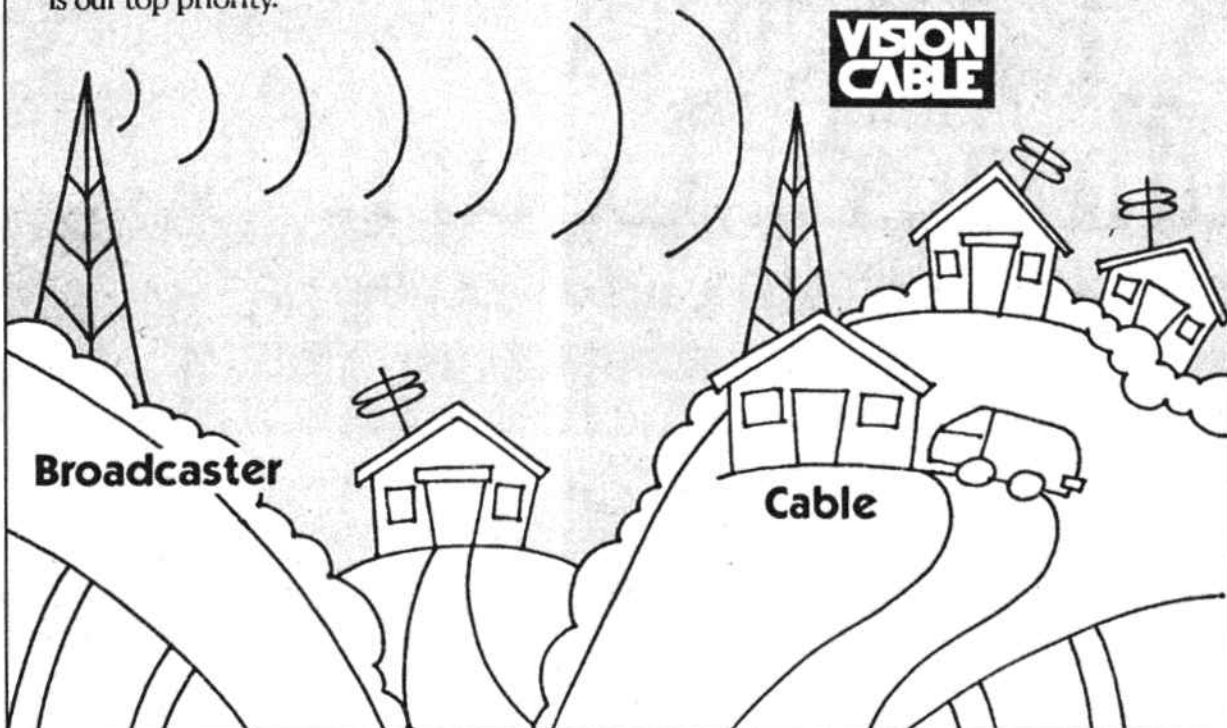
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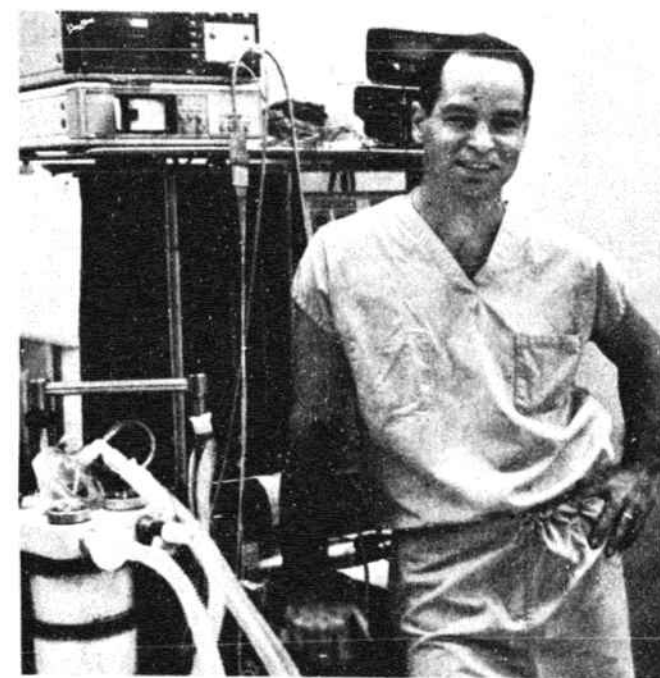
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