



Rash of vehicles broken into CDs, amps, tools amongst stolen

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Sixteen vehicles on the Gardner-Webb University campus were broken into during the early morning hours of Oct 14.

Campus Police Chief Barry Johnson estimated that an average of \$700 in damage was done to each car, making an approximate total of \$11,000 worth of damage campus-wide.

Junior Blake Garrett had around \$1,200 of possessions stolen from his car, including his compact disc player, amp, two subwoofers and tools.

Garrett, like most of the other victims, also has to deal with the damage done to his vehicle. In the process of stealing Garrett's possessions, the thief allegedly broke his

rear passenger-side window, dismantled his dome lights and ruined his dashboard while getting his CD player out.

"It makes me depressed because I can't do anything about it," said Garrett. "I don't even know if my insurance company will cover anything."

In the end, Garrett is left with one major concern, he said. "Where were the [campus] police? There was like 20 cars broken into and they didn't see anything," Garrett said.

Johnson said that the campus is spread out and has several dark places to hide, making it easy for the thieves to strike. "When you have someone that knows what they are doing, it's hard to patrol," said Chief Johnson. "It probably took only eight to 10 minutes per car."

However, Johnson said that there are some leads in the case. "There is a suspect vehicle, and it is possibly a white Ford Econoline van," said



Junior Blake Garrett is looking for answers as to why his vehicle was one of 16 broken into.

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Johnson.

"I hope the person is found and prosecuted to the full extent of the law," said another victim, senior Matt Marlowe.

Johnson said that the criminal(s) will be prosecuted. "I am working with several agencies to catch these criminals and see that they are prosecuted to the

full extent of the law."

Johnson has entered all stolen property into the National Crime Information Center database. With the help of this database, stolen property recovered by police anywhere in the United States can be traced to its owner.

To prevent an event like this in the future, Johnson

asks students to be alert.

"What we need to do is pay attention to the small details," said Johnson. "If you see anything out of the ordinary, report it. In fact, one saying that we use around here is 'See it. Hear it. Report it.' This community is only as safe as the community makes it."

If students have any

information about these crimes, they can visit the following Web site: <http://wwwwebb.gardnerwebb.edu/cp/u.html> to fill out a silent witness form. The online silent witness form remains anonymous.

Students with information can also call extension 4442.

Captured

Goat now at fireman's house

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The infamous goat around Gardner-Webb University has been caught.

After jumping off its owner's truck last April, the goat's reign ended last week.

While on the loose, the goat's identity was mistaken, and it was named Billy Goat. However, Campus Police Chief Barry Johnson said it is a nanny goat or a female.

The goat was caught by a group of soccer players, specifically Jordan Traylor and Brian Young.

Young said that after a soccer game, he and a few teammates noticed a goat inside the football stadium.

"We tried to chase it and enclose it in the stadium so it couldn't escape," Young said.

Young, who had to leave, called teammates Traylor and Matt Clement arrived to "keep the goat company."

When Traylor arrived, the goat's head and horns were stuck in the fences at the stadium. To keep the goat from endangering herself, the students tied the goat down with rope and a dog leash.

Traylor called the Boiling Springs Volunteer Fire Department for assistance. Volunteer fireman Curtis Blanton is currently taking care of the goat on his property.



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The Nanny goat, which has wandered around GWU campus for almost six months, now resides at the home of Boiling Springs Volunteer Fireman Curtis Blanton.

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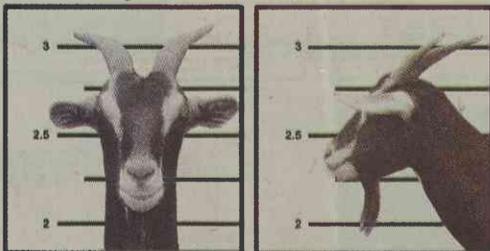


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Coming home Annual event starts Oct. 25

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It's that time again to get out the toilet paper and get ready for Homecoming 2004.

This year's Homecoming, "Centennial Kickoff," features powder-puff football, a dance, fireworks, a parade, a football game and a men's soccer game.

Homecoming week starts Oct. 25 with pajama day followed by opposite day, tacky day, toga day and Gardner-Webb University spirit day.

At 7 p.m. on Oct. 29, Intramurals is sponsoring the annual Northside versus Southside powder-puff football game.

"Following the game will be the fireworks which were postponed from Labor Day and then a bonfire," said Karissa Weir, SEA and SGA advisor. "After the bonfire is the unofficial rolling of campus which is

not sponsored by my office," Weir said.

The SEA dance will start at 9 p.m. and run until midnight in the LYCC.

The Homecoming parade will begin at 11:30 a.m. on Oct. 30. Clubs or residence halls interested in participating in the parade must return their entry forms to the Student Activities office by Oct. 26. Fifty dollar, \$75 and \$100 prizes will be awarded to the top three floats and banners.

The Homecoming football game against Coastal Carolina will kickoff at 1 p.m.

The 2004 Homecoming court will be announced during halftime. The court includes freshman Desiree Faniete, sophomore Maggie Cornwall, junior Courtney Cline and seniors Pam Darnell, Kellie Robinson, Nicholette Schnell and Morgan Tubbs. The queen will be named during the ceremony.

Homecoming events

Monday - Pajama Day	9 p.m. Fireworks and bonfire
Tuesday - Opposite Day	9 p.m.-12 a.m. dance
Wednesday - Tacky Day	Saturday -
Thursday - Toga Day	11:30 a.m. parade
Friday - GWU Spirit Day	1 p.m. Football Game vs. Coastal Carolina
7 p.m. Powder Puff Football	4 p.m. - soccer

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