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Foundation name to discourage theft.

Cover up valuables in cars.
 Alert neighbors of problems.

The recommendations were few because, as Englebardt said, "this place

is like a fortress."

Though the Wesley Foundation was well-kept, Clark and Englebardt said they often encountered serious safety hazards on surveys such as poor lighting, heavy growth, hiding places, unkempt facades and failure to change

Clark said the lack of lighting around a property posed the most frequent problem.

"Particularly in Chapel Hill, a lot of people like it dark," he said. "It makes your neighborhood look quaint. But the more lights the better, because it exposes people walking around the house.

Clark pointed out that many people left their doors and windows unlocked. He said houses of worship were most prone to this problem because groups meeting at the church lost track of who was the last one to leave and lock up.

The age of a lock can determine its strength, Clark said.
"On a lot of the old homes, the win-

locks are not good because the wood has gotten old and it doesn't take much to separate," he said.

Clark said he tried to offer low-cost solutions to safety hazards. Some helpful tips were engraving a driver's license number on valuables and breaking off broomsticks to place in the track of a

sliding glass door.

Both Clark and Englebardt said they wished more people would take advan-tage of their free services.

Clark said most people discovered the crime prevention services through word of mouth or after they had been

The Carrboro Police Department also offers free safety surveys for local residents and businesses, though its crime prevention officer, Paul Atherton, only performs two or three surveys few months. Atherton also serves as the department's school resource officer, providing educational programs and support in Carrboro schools

Though the service is not often utilized, Carrboro Police Chief Carolyn Hutchinson said it remained a valuable resource. "It's always important to empower the community and give the community information about how they can be safe.

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contribute to state revenue.

The money comes from the Loughton Child's Endowment Fund, a trust fund created when Florida won a trust fund created when Florida won a lawsuit against major tobacco firms, including R.J. Reynolds and Durham-based Liggett.

The fund receives a percentage of the

tobacco firms' yearly profits.

The Florida Senate has launched a six- week investigation into determining ways to protect state money if compa-

nies go bankrupt.
Options include taking out an insurance policy on the endowment fund and a per-pack tax on cigarettes.

Donaldson said an enormous amount

of money for state health programs

of money for state came from tobacco litigation.

Donaldson said \$40 million of the Senate's budget came from tobacco money and the Senate expected an average of \$100 million

a year. So while the state's public policy is to discourage moking, Florida stands to profit significantly if tobac co firms stay in business. Donaldson said.

But Fletcher Baldwin, a University of Florida law professor, said the litigation in Florida was destroying tobacco companies

"My state is stripping the profit of the

tobacco industry in the United States,"

But Donaldson said Florida did not want tobacco companies to go bankrupt.
"Florida won't do anything to hurt

the companies as long as they pay into the (tobacco "My state is stripping the profit of the fund)," he said Florida officials

tobacco industry in the claim they are United States." using the money from the lawsuits FLETCHER BALDWIN to fund smoking

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related health care costs, but some analysts Florida is less concerned with health reforms than making money from the

Baldwin said UF's law school had

received \$20 million in tax revenue ben-

"The Florida attorney general and

Florida juries are aggressively going after the companies," Baldwin said.
"Quite frankly, it's an alternative source of revenue for the state and attor-

Jeff Greene, N.C. director of special projects for the American Lung Association, said he supported the vic-tims, but did not agree with the way lit-igation was handled.

"Litigation is out of control," he said. "It's become a political issue and profit

margin.
"It needs to be focused on heath

Greene said the funds from the litigation should be used only for issues related to tobacco use.

"As funds come forward, a large mount should be used to prevent youth

smoking," he said.
But N.C. Sen. David Weinstein, D-Bladen, said the tobacco industry was a scapegoat for people who opted to

'We need to protect the industry," he

"It's a legal product with a warning label."

Weinstein called the lawsuits ridicu-

"All these states are taking advantage of tobacco companies' vulnerability," he

'It's opening ways for any company with big pockets to be sued.

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"They're here for many reasons," she d. "You never know what can hap-

Cody Hamilton, assistant property manager of The Village Apartments, located on Smith Level Road in Carrboro, said his complex also

employed an off-duty officer.

"We've had a courtesy officer from the Carrboro Police Department on and off for years," Hamilton said. "It helps us out tremendously, because if there's a problem after office hours, residents

Hamilton said the officer patrolled the property, made sure the exterior lights were working, the general walk-ways were clear and took care of noise

issues.

"She just helps us maintain the property the way we want it," Hamilton said.

Even though the responsibilities expected of a courtesy officer were less than those performed by the police, Atack said the security job added stress.

"When you go home, you don't feel like you're home, you feel like you're at work, and I didn't really enjoy that," he

Though courtesy policing is not a function of Chapel Hill police, Jarvies said the department had the right to keep a tight rein on an officer's second

"We do have a policy on officers' offduty work, restricting what they can do," Jarvies said.

"They cannot take police action unless it's an emergency. For nonemergency situations, they are instructed to call 911."

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"If there was a sexual assault, for example, we would not expect them to just call 911," Jarvies said. "Then we would expect them to take police

Carrboro police Capt. John Butler said members of his force were restricted in their off-duty abilities as well.

"If they see a policy violation, all they can do is report it to the owner," Butler

"When they're working as a courtesy officer, they can't identify themselves as a police officer. They can carry their weapon and carry their badge, but they can't say 'I'm a police officer with such

Jarvies said courtesy policing was just another example of the community's demand for off-duty officers.

"We get requests from retail estab-lishments, such as department stores and movie theaters," Jarvies said. "There is an extremely high demand for off duty officers for exempt view." off-duty officers for security jobs."

Jarvies said the department set restrictions as to where a police officer could work during his or her free time.
"We do not allow them to work in a

bar or any establishment where alcohol is served," Jarvies said. "They cannot work as a bouncer or as a private inves-

He said at least 30 of the 107 officers employed by the Chapel Hill Police Department had second jobs.

No matter what the officer's second job is, however, police duty always comes first, Jarvies said.

"If there is any indication at all that the off-duty work is infringing on their regular work duty, the department holds the right to cancel the off-duty work."

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