



# HALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## CRIME PREVENTION UNIT



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### CRIME PREVENTION BULLETIN

**DATE:** December 8, 2010  
**SUBJECT:** Burglary Arrests

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As some of you may have read in yesterday's news, two more burglars were arrested in the Oakwood area. Click [HERE](#) for the full press release. Some things of note in this case:

- These arrests were the direct result an alert neighbor seeing something that didn't look right and placing a call to law enforcement. Although this is one of the basic principles of Neighborhood Watch, this particular subdivision doesn't have program in place, just a good neighbor that cares.
- Prior to the call that ultimately led up to the car chase and arrests, the same vehicle was spotted in south Hall acting suspiciously and called in by another concerned citizen, but departed the area before Deputies were able to locate it.
- Once again, this is a broad-daylight, weekday burglary. Common thinking causes most of us to envision a burglar creeping around at night wearing a black shirt, black mask, and a black stocking cap while we're all sound asleep in our beds. The reality is that most of our residential burglaries take place during the daytime on weekdays, while most people are at work, school, or out shopping and running errands.
- The criminals apparently targeted the house because it looked unoccupied. As much as possible, take measures to give your residence the appearance that someone is home (leave a TV, light, or radio on, etc.).
- Items stolen (and recovered from the thieves' vehicle) were consistent with what we've seen in the past: TV's, computers, electronics, cash, etc.

\*\*\*Record the model & serial numbers of all important items in your home and put the list in a safe place. The items in this case were returned due to immediate recovery, but large amounts of property that our Investigators recover is never claimed and can't be traced back to the owner because no serial numbers were available at the time it was reported stolen. When we have serial numbers, we enter it into a computer system that is accessible by law enforcement officers nationwide. This means that no matter where a stolen item shows up, it can be traced back to the original owner and could possible help solve a crime.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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