



City of Lafayette Police Department

Crime Bulletin

April 2014



Residential Burglaries

The City of Lafayette Police Department is alerting residents to a series of crimes that occurred within the City today. The purpose of this bulletin is to advise residents of the incidents and to obtain additional information to aid the police department in our investigation.

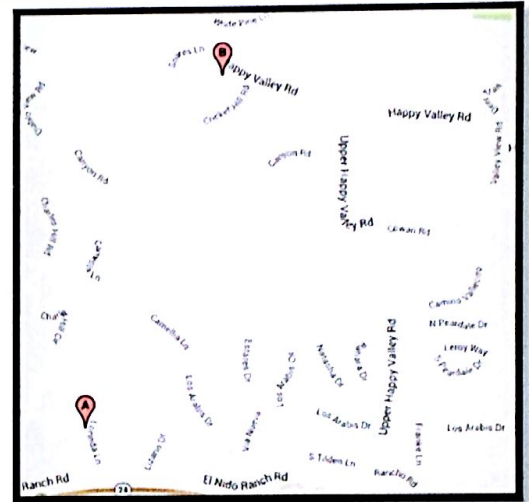
This afternoon (4/10/14), burglars struck two residences within the City of Lafayette in the Upper Happy Valley / El Nido Ranch Area. Both homes were unoccupied at the time of the burglaries. The burglaries are believed to have occurred between 1100 and 1300 hours. Residents within this area who may have seen individuals or vehicles that were out of place are asked to contact the Lafayette Police Department. Vehicle descriptions and color are both needed.

4000 Block of Happy Valley Road

Residents left their home at 1100 and returned home at 1300 to find the home burglarized. Entry to the home may have been made through an unlocked side entry door. After ransacking the home, suspects left the home with jewelry and other personal items.

1000 Block of Lorinda Lane

Residents were alerted by their alarm company of an alarm at their home (1258 hrs.). Officers were dispatched to the residence and found that entry to the home had been made by smashing a rear window of the residence. While inside the home, suspects activated the alarm system of the home. Suspects enter the master bedroom and obtain jewelry. Suspects departed the home through the front door, leaving it unsecured.



Investigators found evidence at both residences that lead them to believe the same suspects committed both burglaries. At this point, investigators believe the burglary on Happy Valley occurred before the burglary on Lorinda Lane. Investigators also believe the suspects likely used Upper Happy Valley Road to travel between the two homes.

Residents in this area are asked to review any video recording systems to identify suspicious vehicles and persons that may have been in the area prior to the burglaries. Residents who may have been walking, driving, or doing other activities in the area are also asked to contact the police department with descriptions of suspicious subjects or vehicles. **Any information would be greatly appreciated.**

Burglary Prevention Tip

A recent trend appears to be for suspects to make entry to the rear yard via a side gate. Once inside the rear yard, suspects appear more likely to break exterior glass (door or window) to gain entry to the home.

- **Residents are asked to lock gates that provide access to their rear yards.**
- **Jewelry continues to be the prime target of suspects.** Residents are asked to leave inexpensive jewelry in their jewelry boxes and relocate the valuable jewelry to a safe (that cannot be carried away) or to another location.

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Don't forget to set your alarm, no matter how short of a time you will be gone.



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