

The Claremont Colleges

The Department of Campus Safety

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July 2005 Crime and Incident Report

Trends and Analysis

While most of the colleges have enjoyed a relatively quiet summer, there have been a few notable problems. We have responded to several calls involving marijuana, and several off-campus subjects have been cited and arrested for possession. It is unlikely that this increase in drug-related calls for service is due to a new influx of drug use. More likely, the reduced campus population during the summer months has made it easier to identify off-campus subjects, and a proactive approach from the Campus Safety Department has then enabled officers to determine those with legitimate business on campus and those without. There have also been several cases of broken vehicle windows, although specifics in most cases have varied slightly. In one case, the window was broken, but there was no evidence of any intention of theft. In another, nothing was taken, but the car had been ransacked.

Two separate cases included the theft of both the car stereo and CDs, but in one case, the interior of the vehicle was also vandalized. As always, it is important to remember that your vehicle is one of your most vulnerable possessions on campus, especially during the summer when the foot traffic is slow. Installing an audible car alarm and parking in heavily frequented lots with surveillance cameras are two large steps towards protecting your vehicle.

July 2005 Selective Incident Summary, July 1—31

- A staff member reported several exterior glass windows were shot out at an administrative building.
- A student reported a male skateboarding around campus and offering people psychedelic mushrooms. Campus Safety officers responded, and saw a subject fitting the description, along with another male, enter an off-campus apartment complex. CPD responded, but was unable to locate the two subjects.
- A staff manager reported that a maintenance worker's tools were stolen from inside a locked dorm.
- A housekeeper reported that her microwave and her phone were stolen

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from two different locked rooms in a dorm.

- A student reported an older male going through items in a dorm. A Campus Safety officer responded and stopped the subject, who had no ID. CPD officers responded, and discovered that the subject was on parole and had given a false name. The subject had removed an ice chest containing walkie-talkies, flashlights, jackets and radios, which belonged to the campus. The subject was arrested.
- A Campus Safety officer reported a male sleeping in front of a campus library. When approached by the officer, the man stated that he had no ID and he walked away from the officer. CPD officers responded and stopped the subject, who was uncooperative with the police and was subsequently arrested.
- A student reported that his wallet and contents were stolen from an unlocked room in a student center.
- A staff member reported that a computer was stolen from an unlocked room in an academic building.
- A staff member reported that the front driver's side window to her car was broken. Nothing inside the vehicle was taken.
- A Campus Safety officer reported several conference attendees and off-campus subjects drinking alcohol on an athletic field. Several subjects fled, and CPD responded due to an uncooperative subject. CPD cited two of the off-campus subjects for curfew violation.
- A student reported that his wallet was stolen from an interior basketball court in an athletic facility. The student also said that he was on the court playing basketball during the time frame when the wallet was taken. A groundskeeper later found the wallet in some bushes and it was returned to the owner.
- A staff member reported that his vehicle was burglarized. The passenger side window was broken and the cab area was ransacked, but nothing was taken.
- A staff member reported that the handle to a dorm lounge door was broken off the door. The adjacent door, which had been locked, was also found ajar, but nothing inside the lounge was taken.
- A staff member reported three hundred dollars stolen from a locked office. The money was on top of a filing cabinet, covered by a cloth.
- A student reported that his bicycle was stolen from outside a computer lab. His bicycle was locked with a U-lock to a tree stake. He said that the stake was approximately four feet high and that someone probably lifted his bike over the pole to remove it.
- A student reported that her bicycle seat was stolen from her locked bicycle outside her dorm.
- A Campus Safety officer reported finding two off-campus subjects in a restricted area during an extra patrol. One subject had no ID, and CPD responded. Both subjects were intoxicated, and one was sitting in the driver's seat upon CPD's arrival. The driver was arrested, and the second subject was escorted home.
- A staff member reported that a light on the south side of a pool was vandalized.

- A student reported that his wallet was stolen from a cubby at an athletic center.
- A student reported that his vehicle was burglarized. The car stereo and several CDs were stolen.
- A student reported that her vehicle was hit while parked on a college-owned street. Campus Safety and CPD officers responded and took a hit-and-run report.
- A staff member reported that a cooler was stolen from her locked office. A few days later, she reported that the cooler had been located under a desk.
- A Campus Safety officer reported making contact with a campus worker with an expired ID, who had previously been stopped for trespassing. CPD responded, and the subject was arrested for possession of marijuana.
- A Campus Safety officer reported three subjects who attempted to avoid him. One had been stopped on campus for several occasions of trespassing. He was arrested for trespassing, and he and one companion were cited for possession of marijuana.

Crime Prevention Strategies and Tips

- Report any suspicious activity or persons, day or night. Be prepared to give a description of the person, what he or she was doing, where he or she was, and what direction he or she was traveling.
- If you hear unusual or loud noises coming from areas that should be relatively empty during the summer, call

Campus Safety immediately. Do not investigate the situation yourself.

- When locking your bicycle, be sure to lock it, with a sturdy U-lock, to a stationary item such as a bike rack or a lamppost. Do not lock it to something that can easily be moved or which is short enough for the bike to be lifted over.
- Keep your car doors locked and your windows rolled up. While it is tempting to leave your windows down to prevent your car from turning into an oven, it is important to remember that rolled down windows grant access to thieves just as easily as an open or unlocked door.

July 2005 Statistics

Crimes Against Persons

Annoying Call	0
Assault	0
Battery	0
Disturbance	0
Hate Crime	0
Indecent Exposure	0
Prowling	0
Rape	0
Robbery	0
Sexual Assault	0
Other	0

Crimes Against Property

Arson	0
Burglary	5
Theft (from vehicle)	2
Theft (Bike)	2
Theft (from building)	2
Theft (Other)	1
Grand Theft Auto	0

Forgery	0
Trespass	2
Vandalism	4
Other	0
Other**	4
Arrests	5

* Includes theft of bike parts

** Includes drug related offenses

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