

6 Unlocked Cars Entered Overnight

Village Bait Car Alerted the Police to the Thief's Presence

At 4:00 o'clock this morning (Wednesday, July 1, 2015), an unknown male entered the Chevy Chase Village bait car that was parked on the east side of the Village. The suspect appeared to be a clean-shaven black male in his 20's with short hair.

Village Officer Hrnjak responded immediately along with several officers from the Montgomery County Police Department. Although the suspect was not located by any of the officers, a K-9 unit tracked the suspect's scent into the District of Columbia.

Officer Hrnjak canvassed the neighborhood on foot and discovered four additional cars that had been entered—2 in the unit block of Primrose Street and 2 in the unit block of Oxford Street. Later in the morning, a resident contacted the Village Police Department to report that his unlocked car in the 100 block of E. Melrose Street had also been entered.

As of this writing, nothing was reported stolen from any of the cars.

Residents are reminded to remove valuables from their cars and to lock them *every* time they park. And call the police immediately if you see or hear anything suspicious in the wee hours.