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## Gifts Stolen from Under Christmas Tree

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ROCHESTER HILLS, Mich. (WXYZ) - Three home invasions last night in Rochester Hills within a quarter-mile of each other resulted in appliances, electronics and even gifts under a Christmas tree stolen.

**IN THE VIDEO PLAYER ON THE RIGHT, KIMBERLY CRAIG SAYS THE VICTIMS ARE RELIEVED THEY WERE NOT HARMED**

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office says between 10:00 p.m. Monday and 4:00 a.m. today a thief broke into a Rochester Hills' apartment and stole several items, including all the gifts that the victims had placed under their tree, including many for their

children. The home is at the North Ridge Apartments near Avon and Livernois.

The occupants had gone to bed for the night. One of the occupants was up early in the morning and noticed that her computer and printer were missing. She also noticed that all the presents were missing from under the Christmas tree. The woman's keys also could not be found.

Deputies from the Rochester Hills station responded and saw that the rear sliding glass door off of the tracks and the screen had been cut. A television had also been moved from its normal location in the apartment and set down near that sliding door.

Among the toys stolen were dolls, toy trucks, a girl stroller, race car set, and Nintendo Wii controllers.

During the same time frame, 2 more homes were broken into in adjacent subdivisions about ¼ mile away. The occupants were also home sleeping during both those break-ins. A woman's purse and wallet were taken during one home invasion. The occupant had found a plastic chair sitting outside of the kitchen window that did not belong to them. The doorwall screen had been removed and a kitchen window screen was pushed up out of place. In both of these instances the sliding glass door wall or sliding window did not have a lock or a bar in the track which allowed entry.

In the next sub-division, a garage was entered and a wallet was stolen from the car parked inside. The overhead garage was left slightly open the thief made entry from that location. A credit card stolen in that theft.

Sheriff Michael Bouchard has this advice for all during this holiday season: "Please remember to lock you doors and secure them further with deadbolts. Secure you sliding glass door walls and sliding windows with security bars or door wall locks that cost under \$10 at you local hardware store. Do not leave valuables or garage door openers in your car if it is parked outside.

"In each of the instances homeowners made it very simple for thieves to steal from them by not taking basic security measures."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Sheriff's Tip Line at 1-888-TURN-1-IN.

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