



### **It Worked for a While**

8200 Block of N. Miami Avenue

Our victim had put away items in his outdoor shed. As he always had, he secured the door with a rope. He'd never had any issues. Until now. The rope was cut and items, including a power drill set and a dirt bike, were stolen. It's time to move into the 21st century, folks. Old ways of securing the homestead, especially with rope, no longer apply. No arrests have been made as of press time.

### **They'd Rather Watch Netflix, Thank You**

7200 Block of NE 5th Avenue

A couple were watching television when they heard a noise outside. The man switched to his outdoor camera and saw two men entering the garage. He lost sight of them for a few minutes since the camera isn't inside the garage, but outside. At short time later, the men left carrying bags of personal items, valued at \$430, and a computer desk. The video was turned over to the police. This happened at 3:30 a.m., and we gather a late-night movie binge was interrupted by these perps.

### **One Deep Sleep**

400 Block of NE 76th Street

Victim's wife says she secured the premises at approximately 6:30 a.m. Her dopey husband slept in, since he didn't work that day, and awoke at 8:30 a.m. To his horror, the house was ransacked, with clothes thrown on the floor and dresser drawers opened. Numerous tools had also been taken. The burglars apparently entered via the front door as the victim slept. He's one heavy sleeper, told police he didn't hear a thing.

### **A Drive-Through Thievery**

3500 block of Biscayne Boulevard

In between taking orders at the fast-food drive-through, this employee stepped away to use the restroom. It's tough work having to hold it in as customer after customer comes by. She closed her order window and took care of business, reporting that there was no one in the drive-through lane when she left. When she returned, though, she found the order window was shattered and the entire cash register missing. The employee notified her supervisor, who notified police. This gives a whole new meaning to takeout.

### **Financial Aid Give-and-Take**

300 Block of NW 2nd Avenue

A student went to the financial aid office of Miami-Dade College to ask some questions. She'd had her wallet in her purse when she entered the office, but she told police that when she left, she discovered her wallet was missing. Someone had reached inside her purse, stolen it, and later ran up fraudulent charges on her debit card. The victim was given a case card. Pell grants will not help her here.

### **Don't Mess with Those Vapers**

200 Block of NE 4th Street

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We say vapers are an interesting bunch. They don't smoke. Instead, they're willing to inhale water vapor with God knows what inside it. This vaping aficionado apparently fell asleep on the sofa in the lobby of his apartment building, and while he was sleeping, someone came up and stole his vape. At this time, there've been no arrests or suspects identified.

### **Late-Night Dates and Their Dubious Outcomes**

900 Biscayne Blvd.

A man met a woman at a South Beach nightspot. He took her home but was exhausted. During this time, the roommate noticed that his date was bent over the victim at one point and looking down at him. It was in this moment, roommate alleges, that the victim's watch was stolen. After she nabbed it, she made several excuses about needing to leave. She took victim's watch with her.

### **Hanging Out on a Bench with a Jerk**

4800 Block of Biscayne Boulevard

In many parts of this great city, sitting on a bench is a simple, pleasant experience, a great way to relax and enjoy the weather. This victim, who was a visitor to Miami, sat on the bench as another man tried to grab his attention. He ignored him. After five minutes, that stalking man appeared to have given up. He hadn't, not really -- he'd just succeeded in his quest. He managed to get hold of victim's wallet and keys.

### **Of All the Uses for a Stolen Credit Card...**

100 Block of NE 54th Street

This victim paid for her items at the gas station, but in her rush, she may have left her wallet on the counter. It took her an hour to realize this. She called her bank to report the wallet stolen, but already someone had run up charges to Comcast during that time. Fortunately, the charges were rejected. Victim canceled all her credit cards. There are no suspects, but there may be

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surveillance video.

### **Is Nothing Sacred? Not Even Fido?**

100 Block of NE 2nd Avenue

This man went looking for his dog, which had gotten out. He walked the entire block, asked neighbors, and tried to stay calm. He later saw surveillance video taken in front of his home. In it, a male has reached out, grabbed the dog, and kept walking. At press time, the dog had not yet been returned.

### **Don't Even Think About It**

800 Block of Biscayne Boulevard

Victim was using the bathroom and apparently left his phone behind, inside the stall, when he departed. He noticed this about five minutes after leaving. He returned to the bathroom and patiently waited as another man finished his business. That is a bit creepy. When the fellow left the stall, victim asked him if he could search him, to which the man became irate and stormed out of the bathroom.

### **Passing in the Night**

100 Block of Biscayne Boulevard

A woman paid for her items and went to leave. She left her phone on the counter. When she realized her mistake, she went back, held the door open for a woman who was leaving, but could not find her phone. It turns out that woman was the thief. There is video of the incident of a woman calmly putting the phone in her pocket as she paid for her own items.

### **Shoplifting for Silk Undies**

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A male entered this store and started to grab panties. He placed them inside a canvas bag and made no attempt to pay before leaving. About five minutes later, a woman entered the store and also started to grab up panties. They both got away with their loot. No arrests have been made.

### **Cleanliness Is Sometimes Next to Godliness**

200 Block of Biscayne Boulevard

Most people steal beer instead of toiletries, don't they? This person looked very suspicious when he entered the CVS. He was toting a canvas bag that he started to load up with Dove soap. He left the store without attempting to pay. The total value of the soap was \$50.

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