

# Neighborhood Crime Stories

Please click here to read a special story on increasing larcenies from motor vehicles in the city of Cambridge.

## Peabody

**Housebreak on Fayerweather St.**

**Possible related to above**

**10/10/2007 1:59:00 PM**

The victim returned home to find no signs of a break-in, but his laptop and fish missing from his apartment.

**History:** On this date and time, an unknown suspect entered the home through one of several unlocked windows, an unlocked access door to the basement, or the outside door to the basement, which does not lock properly.

**Protecting Yourself:** It is always important to keep windows and access points to your home locked, especially when you are not in your home. Please scroll to the bottom of this bulletin to read about home safety tips.

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## North Cambridge

**Fugitive From Justice arrested on Rindge Ave.**

**10/12/2007 9:00 PM**

At approximately 9 p.m. on 10/12/07, members of the Cambridge PD, Everett PD, and Immigration Custom Enforcement were working together as part of the Metro-Mayor Community Safety Initiative when Lt. DeMarco of the Cambridge Police observed two males drinking in the parking lot area of 362/364 Rindge Ave. The two males were stopped and ID'd as Jose Lopez, of 364 Rindge Ave, and Miguel Velez of 362 Rindge Ave. Velez was found to have two outstanding warrants. He was also found to have an outstanding arrest warrant out of Pennsylvania for delivering a controlled substance (parole violation). Officials from Pennsylvania stated that they would extradite Velez.

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**Commercial Robbery at VIP Convenience, 2362 Mass. Ave.**

**10/15/2007 6:50:00 PM**

A suspect entered the store and demanded money from the drawer, threatening that he had a gun. No weapon was shown and the suspect reached into the drawer and stole money. The suspect wore a mask that covers his nose and mouth.

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## Highlands

### Wainwright Bank Robber Arrested

10/15/2007 3:15:00 PM

Police successfully identified and arrested the robber of the Wainwright Bank at 176 Alewife Brook Pky.

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## Sector 1

### East Cambridge - MIT Area - Inman/Harrington

#### Developing Trends

There is a developing housebreak pattern in Sector 1. There have now been 9 breaks since 9/8/07 occurring Thursdays through Sundays.

\*\*Update on Series of Housebreaks in East and West Cambridge: The Cambridge Police currently have various leads on the recent housebreaks in these areas.

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#### Home Safety Tips

##### Landscaping

Shrubbery should be 18 to 24 inches away from all exits or entrances. Shrubbery should be no higher than 18 inches. Make sure all possible entrances and exit points and windows are visible, not concealed by shrubbery.

##### Areas That Should be Well-Lit

- Doorways
- Garage Doors
- Bay Doors
- All other entrance of exits
- Windows for visibility and to detect breakage
- Alcoves or hidden areas
- Basement entries

##### Types of Lighting

- Continuous Lighting
  - Motion-Sensored Lighting/Automatic floodlights that use infrared sensors to detect any type of motion.
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