# Lock up your cars at night, police warn

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In light of the recent thefts from several vehicles in town Lover the past weeks Halton police are stressing area residents should take some precautions.

Detective Sgt. Ron Welsh said

people should lock their vehicles and any valuables are removed or at least hidden from sight.

"There may be some professionals involved in the thefts of stereos. People should take every precaution to make sure their car is secure, if possible put it in the garage with the door locked," said Welsh.

Welsh says there appears to have been a recent upswing in the number of thefts from autos.

"It's safer than breaking into someone's house. They know what's there; (in a house) they take a risk of being caught."

"Car stereos can be exchanged quite readily for cash," added Welsh.

## Police are investigating series of vehicle break-ins

police investigating the theft of Lthree stereo systems from cars in Georgetown sometime overnight Sunday.

Police report a Panasonic stereo system and CDs, valued at \$2,400, were taken from a 1992 Chrysler parked on Hall Rd. that night. Entry was gained through a pried open

passenger door. A Clarion stereo system valued at about \$1,000 was stolen from a Dodge Shadow also parked at a Hall Rd. home.

That same night the door of a 1987 Suzuki was forced open and a stereo, clothing and tools were taken from it. Value of the missing property is estimated at \$2,000.

Also overnight Sunday police say

someone used a pry bar to try to enter a 1995 GMC van parked at a house on Hall Rd. A lock was damaged and glass was chipped. Damage is set at \$1,500.

Halton police say golf clubs, valued at \$1,200 were reported taken, from the box of a 1996 Ford pickup truck sometime between 7:30 and 10:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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