

## Break-ins can leave a lasting impression

A 14-year-old girl walks home from school, as she does every day. On the way she notices that the leaves are just turning and starting to fall from the trees. She hugs her sweater around her and thinks to herself that she will have to get her winter coat up from the basement.

She gets to her front door and puts her key in the lock. She notices that the house is colder than usual. When she walks into the kitchen she sees the plants that her mother is trying to root smashed on the floor. It is then that she realizes that the window above the sink is smashed also, and there are muddy footprints leading out of the kitchen, the way she has just come in.

Is there someone else in the house with her? Her breathing quickens and she feels the prickles of fear running down her spine to her fingertips. She is paralyzed with terror. She knows that she has to get out of the house and call the police.

She experiences a surge of energy and runs from the house. Later that evening, after the police have left, she sits down with her parents, her older brother and her little sister. They talk about what has happened, and what is missing. The criminals who broke into their home ransacked every room.

They have stolen the gold watch that her grandmother gave her just before she died. Her brother is missing the medals that his grandfather was presented for his service in the Second World War. The thieves smashed her little sister's piggy bank and stole the money that she was saving to buy Christmas presents. The

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family's television, computer, camera and stereo are gone.

The entire family feels a sense of violation. Someone was in their home, pawing through their clothing and belongings.

The next spring that same girl is still afraid to be in her home alone. She walks with her older brother so that they can go in the house at the same time. Her little sister sleeps in her room with her, because the nightmares of being chased around the house by the thieves won't go away.

These are the results of someone breaking and entering into someone else's home. I don't know if the thieves don't know, don't understand, or don't care, but if any "B & E" culprits are reading this, stop and think.

Would you want your family to suffer what this family had to endure? Would you want to go through it yourself?

If you would like information about this or any other police matter, contact me at 905-878-5511 ext 2120 or laurel.barnett@hrps.on.ca.

—Const. Laurel Barnett is the Community Support Officer for 1 Division

## Canada Day committee need volunteers, ideas

The Glen Williams Canada Day committee is looking for volunteers and ideas for next year's event.

The committee is hoping to include more family games and

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SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY HARRISON SCHOOL DELEGATES TO THE INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S CONFERENCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT.

Ian McIlravey, Jessica Phillips, Mary Watson and Sandra Runalls-Lichty (teacher)

WHEN: THURSDAY, NOV. 21, 2002 - 7 PM - 9 PM

WHERE: Upstairs at Mold-Masters Sportsplex across from LOBLAWS at the traffic lights 221 Guelph Street (Highway #7) and Alcott Drive) Georgetown

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