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Orinda Police Blotter

Open Sesame, 12/1/11 An Orinda resident inadvertently made it easy for a thief when said thief first stole a garage door remote from an unlocked car. The perp later let himself into the garage, where he heisted a stereo. From there it was smooth sailing into the house (the door from garage being unlocked) and a camera went missing. Thoughtful thief did close the garage door on the way out, though. No prints or leads, and police are advising burgled homeowner to re-code his garage door.

A day in the park gone bad...12/1/11 Imagine coming back from your Lafayette Reservoir hike and not finding your car. You didn't forget it, though. Thorough thieves stole the car and later burgled the owner's Orinda home, presumably gaining entry the same way "open sesame" did, above. They took \$5,000 in goods from the residence, but did "return" the car-leaving the formerly stolen vehicle at the scene of the home crime! If only they'd return the stolen loot as well...

Car to Police: "I tried to tell you!" 12/3/11 The car sounded the alarm; still, a late model Toyota had its window broken (\$200 damage) and a purse snatched (\$280 value) from the front seat. We suspect there'll be more in monetary damages, as a credit card went missing and was later used in Antioch. No leads yet.

No eggnog for you, 12/8/11 It's the most happiest time of the year. Unless you're the 39 year old male driver who was pulled over, given a field sobriety test (failed that), administered a breathalyzer (.140 says he failed that too), volunteered to take a blood/alcohol test (what do you want to bet the results will be?), and transported to Martinez Detention Facility, where he was booked. And his vehicle was towed away, too.

Rock n' rolling, 12/8/11 Burglars used a rock for breaking and entry into an Oak Drive home, where they helped themselves to jewelry, the cost of which is still being tallied. They caused \$700 just breaking in, and fled in a white Ford Taurus.

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