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Rare Rash of Robberies Alarm Moraga Residents

Moraga police are working on evidence to identify suspects in four residential robbery attempts that occurred in a 24-hour period around June 21 on Draeger, Woodford and Buckingham Drives. The rash of events is highly unusual in normally peaceful Moraga.

Two of the events were thwarted when the would-be robbers heard homeowners, and wisely decided to depart. In two of these incidents, the suspects entered through unlocked doors or windows.

There's no information linking coincidental robberies in Orinda that occurred on the same day, said acting Police Chief Jon King. "This is an extremely safe community and a great place to live." He urges residents to take simple precautions to prevent these crimes of opportunity - lock your windows and doors, and if you have a home alarm, turn it on.

On June 9, Moraga police reported that in the first five months of 2016, burglaries are down nearly 61 percent and thefts were down over 20 percent over the same time period in 2015. Anyone with information about these incidents should call the Moraga Police Department at (925) 888-7055. - C. Tyson

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