

Locked car doors prevent permit thefts

By Deb Kolc

Parking permits are an item that seem to be "disappearing" a lot on campus.

In fact, "a total number of 63 parking permits have been reported lost, stolen or lost/stolen from the beginning of the school year to now," said Mylo Bushing, police sergeant of parking and traffic at UNL.

This figure is about the same as previous years, Bushing said.

A permit is reported lost/stolen if the owner is unsure of what happened to the permit, he said.

Parking Area 20 — commuter parking — has had the most permits reported lost or stolen from it, Bushing said. The permit includes a marked necklace for the front of

the car and an identifier for the back. Both must be on the car.

Staff permits are reported lost or stolen the most, Bushing said. Thirty staff permits have been reported lost or stolen since August, Bushing said. This permit also includes a necklace and an identifier in back.

Residence halls, sororities and fraternities report the fewest number of permits lost or stolen. These permits have only a back identifier, making it harder to lose it or have it stolen, Bushing said.

"A lot of students will trade their cars off and forget to scrape the identifier off the back," Bushing said. "In order to get a replacement, they have to bring the pieces of the old identifier in."

If a parking permit is missing, it should be reported to the UNL Police Department immediately, he said.

"Unless the permit is known to be definitely destroyed, a two-week temporary parking permit will be issued," Bushing said. "If it is definitely destroyed, in order to save time . . . it can be replaced immediately," Bushing said.

If the permit is not located within the two-week period, a \$20 replacement permit can be purchased, Bushing said.

When a permit is reported lost or stolen to the UNL Police Department, the permit number is put on a list, Bushing said.

"Our parking control people have the list of numbers of permits with them, so they can look for the permits," he said.

Parking control people usually look for the back identifier, Bushing said. If the identifier isn't there, the car isn't legally

parked. The control people will check the number with their list.

"If we find a permit in a car that's on the lost or stolen list," he said, "the permit is confiscated and the vehicle is towed. A citation is issued for \$25 plus the cost of the tow," Bushing said.

Only about 10 permits have been located by the traffic control since August, he said.

"We haven't had much damage to vehicles to get permits," he said.

Most people have left their car doors unlocked. Permits are stolen and lost both on and off campus, Bushing said.

"The most logical way of prevention," Bushing said, "is to lock the doors. If they don't lock, get it repaired or get something to fix it up so they will lock."

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However, students must make some changes in their lifestyle to fit the culture and climate of America. For instance, the traditional Indian sari is not the best thing to wear in the snow, Davda said.

Too much adaptation is ridiculous, Efinda said. It's not natural to mimic another culture that is not your own, she said.

Marin said she has found her real identity in America because she has no restrictions from her family like she did in Venezuela. But children need the love and help from their parents, which many American children do not receive because they move away from home as teen-agers, she said.

A woman who returns to her home country after going to college in America

may have difficulty finding a husband, Efinda said. The men think she has too much education, has become more independent and has forgotten the traditions.

Marin, who canceled her marriage to come to the United States, agreed that men often feel threatened by women with an American education and the woman's family also may feel threatened.

All three students said their American education would put them ahead of others when they return.

Marin, who wants to teach at a university, said Venezuelan universities look for someone with a degree from the United States.

"It's because you can speak two languages and that's important in Venezuela," she said.

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F. Lee Bailey, nationally known attorney and host of the TV show "Lie Detector," is involved in a court case and has canceled his speech at UNL, scheduled for Thursday. The speech has been rescheduled for April 19 in the Nebraska Union Centennial Room.

The Tri-Service Bull for UNL's Army, Navy and Air Force ROTC units will be Saturday at the Lincoln Hilton. The annual event allows ROTC students from the different services to mix and share ideas.

Harold Simpson, chairman of the Public Service Commission, will speak on "The Divestiture of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co." at 1:30 p.m. today in the College of Business Administration, 120.

Students interested in summer internships in Lincoln or their hometowns can

call the Experiential Education Office, 1218 Oldfather Hall, phone 472-1452, by March 20. Students seeking internships for the fall semester should make an appointment for early April.

Henry Caulfield of Colorado State University will talk about "Colorado Water Law and Policy" at a water resources seminar today at 3 p.m. in the East Union.

Elaine Jahner, UNL associate professor of ethnic studies English, will discuss "Heading 'Em Off at the Impasse: American Indian Authors Meet the Post-Structuralist Critics" at 3:30 p.m. today in Andrews Hall, 229.

Esther Cope, professor and chairperson of the history department, will discuss the politics of early 17th century England at 3:15 p.m. today in Oldfather Hall, 538.

Police Report

The UNL Police Department received the following calls and complaints from 7 a.m. Monday to 7 a.m. Tuesday.

10:30 a.m. — Watch reported stolen from North Field House.

10:51 a.m. — Vandalism reported to car near Nebraska Hall; rear window broken.

12:15 p.m. — Traffic accident reported in meter lot near Nebraska Union.

3:29 p.m. — Disturbance reported at Coliseum; settled by officers.

4:00 p.m. — Two parking permits reported damaged or destroyed.

4:35 p.m. — UNL police assisted Lincoln police at 17th and Vine streets. Person was injured when butane fumes ex-

ploded in his truck; was taken to hospital.

4:47 p.m. — Theft reported from a cigarette machine in the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education.


5:45 p.m. — Two stereo speakers reported stolen from a car in Parking Area 24 on East Campus.

7:20 p.m. — Person arrested on an outside police warrant.

12:19 a.m. — Disturbance reported at Nebraska Hall; settled by officers.

12:21 a.m. — Fireworks reported exploding at Harper Hall; case turned over to Office of University Housing.

1:16 a.m. — Fire alarm malfunction reported at Coliseum.



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