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## **POLICE MAKE MORE CHARGES IN CAR BREAK-INS**

New Bern Police have charged two people believed responsible for a string of car break-ins with additional charges. Police initially arrested **Samantha Dale JONES, 04/08/1986**, and **Andrew Phillip NEWTON, 04/14/1986**, both of 855 Washington Post Rd Lot 121, on numerous breaking and entering charges in January 2010.

The break-ins occurred over a two month span of time, starting in December 2009, and police arrested **JONES** and **NEWTON** after they were spotted attempting to break into cars at a Craven County School System building on Highway 55 on January 21, 2010.

The most recent charges against **JONES** include: Breaking and Entering a Motor Vehicle, two counts of Felony Conspiracy, Financial Card Theft, Larceny, two counts of Possession of Stolen Property, Obtaining Property by False Pretense, Forgery and Uttering.

**NEWTON** faces an additional two counts of Felony Conspiracy and Possession of Stolen Property.

The pair have been charged in 14 total cases so far, but police expect even more charges as the investigation continues.

Most of the cars targeted by the suspects were unlocked and valuables were left in plain view. Money, purses, credit cards, and electronics were taken from the vehicles. New Bern police remind citizens to **always lock car doors and never leave expensive items in unattended vehicles**. An unlocked car is the easiest target for would be criminals.

The New Bern Police Department is committed to Community Policing. Citizens are encouraged to become a **“Partner in Policing,”** by reporting suspected illegal activity to the New Bern Police Department’s **TIPS** line at **(252) 636-5034** or the Craven County Crime Stoppers line at 633-5141.

For additional information, please contact Beth Stevenson, Public Information Officer at the New Bern Police Department at (252) 672-4211.

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