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HUGO — Officers reported a burglary at a residence on the 800 block of west Main Street in Hugo Tuesday.

The thieves entered the home while the victim was away and took a big screen TV, a smaller TV, a bike and all of the Christmas gifts under the tree.

Officer Steve Babcock said bleach was also poured on the victim's furniture.

"People need to be more aware of people in your area walking around or vehicles driving by more than once," Babcock said. "If you're suspicious about anything or anyone you need to call us ... We might not catch anybody in the act but it might avert someone."

Babcock said there also has been a string of vehicle burglaries. He advised people to not leave purses or other valuable items in their cars. The police department has put emphasis on controling the thefts and will continue to patrol.