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Brookhaven officer nabs burglary suspect

Brookhaven, GA, Nov. 14, 2013 – A Brookhaven Police officer's traffic stop resulted in a burglary suspect going to jail and a flat screen TV recovered – just minutes after the break-in.

Brookhaven Officer V. Dankewich was parked on Ashford Dunwoody Road near Harts Mill Road around 1 a.m. Thursday when he spotted a Ford Expedition with its license plate covered. The officer stopped the SUV and saw a large flat screen TV in the back.



The driver, identified as Horace Napier, told officers he was on his way to install the TV at a friend's house. That's when Officer Dankewich received a call that a house on Durden Drive had just been burglarized. A further search of the SUV turned up burglary tools and a ski mask.

Investigators later confirmed the TV was taken from the Durden Drive home.

"It is proactive traffic stops and good police work like this that sets an example for all of our officers," Chief Gary Yandura said.

Napier, 51, of Decatur, was arrested. He is being held in the DeKalb County jail on charges of burglary, driving with an expired tag and concealing a license plate.

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