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PRISON TIME FOR BURGLAR

The man who broke into the home of Denver Police Chief Gerry Whitman last fall was sentenced today.

Peter Lewis (dob: 01-23-85) faced a sentence ranging from probation up to 12 years in prison; he was given 6 years in the Department of Corrections with a recommendation for the Boot Camp program. Denver District Court Judge Christina Habas told Lewis that she was hopeful he would successfully complete the program and that she would consider reducing his sentence at a December 11, 2006 hearing if that happens.

Lewis pleaded guilty earlier to second-degree burglary in connection with the burglary of Chief Whitman's home on November 8, 2005. Lewis also faced a Denver burglary case from August 2005, which was dismissed in exchange for his guilty plea. He will have to pay restitution in connection with both cases; the actual amount is yet to be determined.