



MEDIA RELEASE

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St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crime Report for June 15, 2009

On May 27, 2009, the Bureau of Criminal Investigations Cold Case Detectives closed an armed robbery which occurred at a Mechanicsville residence in 2004. On the day of the incident, three armed suspects entered the victim's residence, bound the residents and stole several thousand dollars in U.S. Currency. Three suspects were indicted through the St. Mary's County Circuit Court. The suspects were identified as Hung Tam Lam, age 34 of Montgomery County, Van Son Thai, age 37 of Bridgeport, Connecticut, and Tuan Minh Nguyen, age 30 of Howard County. All three suspects were apprehended with the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Montgomery County Police Department. They are currently incarcerated at the St. Mary's County Detention Center.

On June 6, 2009, while investigating a trespassing complaint in Piney Point, Deputy First Class Anthony Whipkey ran a Texas registration plate to a 1994 green Pontiac Bonneville. The St. Mary's County Emergency Communications Center advised Deputy First Class Whipkey the registration and 1994 Pontiac were reported stolen to the Harris County Sheriff's Office in Texas. Angel Misael Ayala Blanco, age 20 of no fixed address, was the operator of the vehicle. Blanco was arrested and charged with two counts of Theft and one count of Unlawful Taking of a Motor Vehicle.

On June 7, 2009, deputies responded to a report of a domestic on Army Navy Drive in Mechanicsville. The investigation revealed Grant Adkins Williams, age 50 of Mechanicsville, was engaged in a verbal dispute with the victim, which escalated into a physical assault when Williams grabbed the victim and bit her on the cheek. Williams was arrested and charged with Second Degree Assault.

On June 7, 2009, Deputy First Class Jaime Grusholt responded to Lowe's store in California for a report of a theft. The investigation revealed the store manager witnessed Oleksandr N.M.N. Parkhomenko, age 20, and Oleskii N.M.N. Seleznov, age 20, both of Lexington Park, entered the store with a large backpack. Seleznov and Parkhomenko removed power tools from the shelf and entered the bathroom with the items. Seleznov and Parkhomenko then exited the bathroom and walked past all points of purchase and attempted to exit the store with the items concealed in the backpack. The store security sensor scanner alerted as the two tried to exit. Seleznov and Parkhomenko were arrested and charged with two counts of Theft.

On May 22, 2009, Bureau of Criminal Investigations Detectives arrested a 15-year-old male and a 17-year-old male from Compton and charged them with two counts of First Degree Burglary and two counts of Felony Theft for a May 1, 2009 residential burglary on Swamp Lane in

Avenue and a December 19, 2008 residential burglary on Lady Baltimore Avenue in Compton. On June 9, 2009, detectives charged, by way of a criminal summons, Steven W. Sonntag, age 19 of Compton, with First Degree Burglary and Felony Theft, for the May 1, 2009 Swamp Lane burglary.

On June 9, 2009 at 1500 hours, deputies responded to a business parking lot in Lexington Park for the report of an assault. The investigation by Corporal Brian Connelly revealed the 39-year-old male victim was involved in a verbal dispute with Nicole A. Kelly, age 23 of Lexington Park, over a cell phone. Kelly then proceeded to place a lit cigarette on the back of the victim's neck. Kelly was placed under arrest, charged with Assault Second Degree and incarcerated in the St. Mary's County Detention Center pending an appearance before the District Court Commissioner.

On June 9, 2009 at 1530 hours, Jolie M. Allen, age 31 of Lexington Park, entered the J.C. Penney store in California and was observed by an employee placing multiple items inside a large purse she was carrying and attempted to exit the store without rendering payment for the items. Allen was stopped in the parking lot and returned to the store. Allen was issued a Criminal Citation for Theft Under \$500.00 and released on her personal recognizance pending a hearing in District Court.

On June 11, 2009 at approximately 1800 hours, Bureau of Criminal Investigations Detectives conducted a Search and Seizure Warrant in Lexington Park with the assistance of both the St. Mary's County and Calvert County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Teams. The weapons stolen in the June 9, 2009 burglary of the Tackle Box Store were recovered and Robert D. McCarson, age 21 of no fixed address, was arrested. He was charged with Burglary, Theft Over \$500.00 and Malicious Property Destruction Over \$500.00. He was incarcerated at the St. Mary's County Detention Center. This investigation is continuing.

On June 11, 2009 at approximately 1930 hours, deputies responded to the Cut Rate Liquor in Lexington Park for a person struck by a car which had fled the scene. The operator, later identified as John T. McLeod, age 26 of Lexington Park, returned to the scene after police arrival and was detained. Bureau of Criminal Investigations Detectives responded and it was determined that an argument had occurred between the victim, Eric Scott Johnson, of no fixed address, and McLeod. McLeod pushed the victim to the ground and then ran over him in the parking lot with his vehicle, dragging him a short distance. After pulling the victim from under his car, McLeod fled the scene. Johnson was flown by Maryland State Police Helicopter to Washington Hospital Center, where he is now in stable condition. McLeod was charged with First and Second Degree Assault and incarcerated at the St. Mary's County Detention Center.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives received information that there was possible drug activity at a residence on South Sandgates Road. As the investigation continued, a Search and Seizure Warrant was obtained for the home. The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Emergency Services Team assisted in the execution of the warrant and arrested was the target, Daniel Thomas Hayden, age 55. Cocaine, a digital scale and more than \$500.00 worth of prescription medication were recovered. The case will be presented to the State's Attorney and additional felony charges are pending.

Vice/Narcotics Detectives identified Joseph William Medley III, age 25 of Lexington Park, as a distributor of cocaine. Undercover purchases of crack cocaine were made and State's Attorney Richard D. Fritz reviewed and presented the case to the St. Mary's County Grand Jury. Medley, a.k.a. "Joe Black", was indicted and subsequently arrested. Additional warrants for Violation of Probation and Failure to Pay Child Support were also served on Medley.

If any additional information is needed, please contact the Duty Officer at 301-475-4200 x1900.