



MEDIA RELEASE

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Malicious Destruction of Properties and Thefts

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating 15 cases of malicious destruction of property. These crimes occurred February 4, 2010 and February 5, 2010 in the Hollywood area of St. Mary's County, specifically on Morgan Road, Joy Chapel Road and Bateman Court.

Unknown person(s) used an object(s), on several occasions alcoholic beverage bottles, to smash vehicle windshields and mailboxes. Based on the investigations it appears these crimes may be related.

In addition, the Sheriff's Office is also investigating 3 thefts from autos on Clarkes Landing Road in Hollywood. The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office cannot stress enough the importance of locking vehicles, even vehicles parked in the driveway at a residence and securing all valuables.

Anyone with information about these crimes is asked to contact Lieutenant Eric Sweeney at 301-475-4200 x1915 or Crime Solvers at 301-475-3333. The caller does have to leave his/her name. If the information leads to the arrest and conviction, the caller may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00.