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Summary of Recent Residential B&E Arrests

Christopher D. Cole - October 5, 2013

While responding to a breaking & entering call on Tarklin Road, Officer Joseph Marcello noticed a suspicious male subject walking in the area of the house break. Christopher Cole, age 52 of Providence, was stopped by officers and found to be wanted on outstanding court warrants. At the time of his arrest he was found to be in possession of the victim's stolen jewelry, and he later admitted to breaking into the house. Cole is currently being held at the ACI.

Deirdre C. Brown – October 18, 2013

Detectives from Smithfield and numerous other communities identified Deirdre Brown, age 32 of Providence, as a suspect in house breaks and other larcenies. Detectives obtained surveillance video of Brown cashing checks stolen from these homes. Smithfield Police notified members of the RI State Police Fugitive Task Force, who were able to locate Brown on October 18th. Smithfield Detectives questioned her at the Lincoln State Police Barracks and then charged her with Breaking & Entering a home on Domin Avenue on August 1, 2013. She was also charged with larcenies related to a March 26, 2013 incident, where she entered Fidelity Investments and stole from employees' purses.

Detectives continue to investigate her involvement in other Smithfield house breaks, as well as attempting to identify her accomplices. Brown is currently held at the ACI.

Leonard "Bobo" Dias – October 29, 2013

Michael A. Rossi – October 29, 2013

Smithfield Detectives identified Leonard Dias, age 48 of Pawtucket, as a person of interest in two August break-ins on Karen Ann Drive and Elna Drive. It was learned that he sold jewelry taken in those breaks to a Pawn Shop in Providence. Detectives notified Providence Police who obtained an arrest warrant for Dias for selling the stolen items. Smithfield Detectives then enlisted the help of the RI State Police Violent Fugitive Task Force, who located Dias on October 29th.

Through that investigation, police identified Dias's accomplice as Michael Rossi, age 57 of North Providence. When interviewed by Smithfield and State Police Detectives Rossi admitted to the August 10th house break on Karen Ann Drive, the August 11 house break on Elna Drive, an August 16th break on Ridge Road, and an August 30th break on Deerhill Drive.

In total Rossi was charged with 22 house breaks statewide as well as possessing a stolen firearm and other firearms charges. Dias was charged with Receiving Stolen Goods, Possession a Firearm after Being Convicted of a Crime of Violence, and Resisting Arrest. Both are currently being held at the ACI.

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Matthew Michaud – November 7, 2013

On September 30, 2013 police investigated a break-in on Russell Lane. Detectives were able to develop latent fingerprints at the scene. On October 2nd, Cranston police located an item taken in the house break on the person of Matthew Michaud, age 21, of Providence. The fingerprints from the scene were submitted to the RI Crime Lab and found to be a match for Michaud. Michaud was questioned by Smithfield Detectives and admitted to breaking into the home. He is currently being held at the ACI.

Kingna Sanchez – November 4, 2013

Jermaine Heath – November 5, 2013

On November 1st police were called to investigate a break-in on Russell Lane. They were later contacted by an alert neighbor, who noticed a suspicious vehicle in the area and had taken down the license plate. That vehicle was traced to Kingna Sanchez, age 26, of Central Falls. On November 4th, Smithfield Detectives located her in Central Falls and located jewelry stolen from the home in her vehicle. Sanchez admitted to her involvement in the break.

Through further investigation Sanchez's accomplice was identified as Jermaine Heath, age 37 of Pawtucket. An arrest warrant was obtained, and with the assistance of the Pawtucket Police, Heath was apprehended at his home. Police continue to investigate his involvement in other local breaks. Both Sanchez and Heath are being held at the ACI.