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Burglary Suspects Arrested and Several Stolen Firearms Recovered

On Wednesday June 17, 2009 at about 8:00 pm, St. Petersburg Police Officers investigated a vehicle burglary at 901 Northshore Drive NE. A witness in that case obtained the tag number and description of the suspects' vehicle, which was a white Chevrolet Tahoe.

A short time later, the same suspects committed four vehicle burglaries in the parking lot of Sunrise Lanes Bowling Alley, 6393 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd North. One of those vehicles belonged to Bubba the Love Sponge Clem. The suspects stole several personal items from Clem's Chevrolet Suburban, including two handguns.

Undercover surveillance detectives from the Department's CASE unit (Crime Analysis and Surveillance Enforcement) located the suspects' vehicle in the area and followed it to 38th Avenue North and 49th Street North where they arrested three of the four suspects who were inside of the vehicle; one of whom was restrained with the use of a Taser.

The fourth suspect fled the area on foot and eluded capture, but he has now been identified and detectives have issued probable cause has been issued for his arrest. Investigators recovered six handguns from the vehicle, two of which were stolen from Bubba the Love Sponge Clem's vehicle. Also, one of the recovered firearms was identified as a Department issued Glock .40 caliber handgun that was stolen on June 13, 2009 from the personal SUV of Major Donnie Williams, St. Petersburg Police Department, while he was off-duty.

Detectives are still investigating how the suspects came into possession of the remaining three firearms that were found inside the suspect's vehicle and whether or not the Chevrolet Tahoe had been reported stolen.

The three suspects have been charged with an assortment of burglary and resisting arrest charges. Please check the jail record for the exact number and type of charges. They are:

Kevatae Jermaine Caldwell (JUVENILE), DOB: 7-23-92
1629 Preston Street South

Nicholas R. McCant, DOB: 11-7-89
2273 E. Osborne Apt. 43, Tampa, Florida

Mario E. McCant, DOB: 7-7-88
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