



Date: August 5, 2010

Home Invasion



Matthew Quinton Keys age 23
729 Hall St.
Opelousas, La. 70570



From: The Opelousas Police Dept. (Chief Perry Gallow)

In a case that began in the early morning hours of August 5, 2010 Opelousas Police were called to the Wendy's on Creswell Lane at about 1240 AM to investigate a stolen vehicle complaint. Upon arrival officers learned that the complainant had given a ride to a person he identified as Matthew Keys. Mr. Keys and the complainant were familiar with each other. The complaint went on to state that he stopped at the Valero station on Creswell Ln. and went into the store, and left Matthew Keys in the vehicle, and when he walked out of the store, the vehicle and Mr. Keys were gone. It was believed that Mr. Keys was trying to get to Sunset, La. The vehicle taken was a Tan 2000 Toyota 4-Runner. At approximately 0204 hours while patrolling the area of Karma C. Schad Rd. an observant patrol supervisor located the Tan Toyota 4-Runner. Officers combed the area but were unable to locate the suspect Matthew Keys in the area. However his ID along with his pants and narcotics were found inside the vehicle. Several hours later at about 6:40 AM the Opelousas Police Dept. received a call from 3108 Bocage, in regards to an intruder being in the home and stated that he had a gun, and had since left the home, and had taken a large amount of cash. The call was immediately dispatched to OPD personal. An officer with OPD was in the immediate area, and was driving an unmarked vehicle responded quickly and made eye contact with the suspect. This officer resourcefully relayed the location and direction of travel of the suspect to quickly responding patrol officers who moved in and took the suspect into custody about ten minutes after the initial call was received. Officers were also able to locate the money that the suspect had taken from the home. Further investigation revealed to officers that Matthew Keys had, while trying to hide from officers early in the morning fallen asleep near the residence that he eventually forced his way into, in an attempt to take whatever he could get his hands on. Mr.



Keys also admitted to being involved in two other residential burglaries, in the recent weeks. In a twist it was also determined that the person (Clarence Guidry) who initially had reported the stolen vehicle, was in fact an accomplice of Matthew Keys when he committed the other burglaries. More information is being developed and it is almost certain more charges will follow for both suspects. For now Matthew Keys has been booked on two counts of Simple Burglary, and one count of Aggravated Burglary. Mr. Keys was currently on parole for several other crimes, which include burglary. Mr. Clarence Guidry was booked on two counts of simple Burglary for his role in the early crimes.



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I want the citizens of Opelousas to know that the men and women of the Opelousas Police Dept are an extremely dedicated team that is focused on making the area as safe as possible. I want to point out in this instance that it was the men and women of OPD's patrol division that were pivotal in bringing these dangerous criminals to justice. Patrol officers who are the back bone of the department are out day and night proactively trying to reduce and prevent crime. As always I would like to request that any citizen with information regarding any crime contact the Opelousas Police Department at (337) 948-2500, crimetips@opelousaspd.com or St. Landry Crime Stoppers at (337) 948-8477 all calls will be kept anonymous.

Contact Chief Perry Gallow to obtain any additional information.