

Friday, March 21, 2014

**Armed Daytime Home Invasion in DC on Oliver Street
DC Officers make quick arrest, recover gun and stolen property**

The below is excerpted from an email sent by Lt. John Hedgecock of the 2nd District of the Metropolitan Police Department. MPDC officers did an outstanding job arresting an armed and dangerous subject.

At approximately 1255 hours on March 19, the defendant knocked on the door of the residence located in the 3700 block of Oliver St., NW. The 86 year old male resident answered the door. The defendant asked if he needed any yard work done. The resident replied No. The defendant then forced his way in the partially open door and promptly slammed the male resident to the floor. Hearing the commotion, the 81 year old wife comes to the door where she's promptly met by the defendant who places a handgun to her head and demands to know where the money is. The defendant then places the handgun to the male victims temple and removes his wallet. He then escorts the male to the basement stairwell where he tosses him down the stairs and locks the door behind him. He then returns to the female victim placing the weapon to her forehead demanding to know where the money is. She takes him to an upper bedroom where she retrieves an envelope containing cash and relinquishes it to him. He then flees via the front door.

Upon the initial responding units broadcasting a lookout, Officer Parr, who, as always, was on his foot beat in the 5400 block of Conn. Ave. Officer Parr observed a male matching the lookout standing at the bus stop reading the posted bus schedule. As Officer Parr made eye contact with the male, he began to hurriedly walk, then run to the rear of the block. Parr gave pursuit and with the help of Officer Santos, apprehended the subject in the rear. The victims positively identified the defendant and the property, to include the handgun, was recovered.

Defendant:

Hudgens, Cochise Darnell
B/M, 57 years old of Washington, DC

Village residents are reminded to exercise caution at all times prior to opening your front door in response to a knock or the ringing of a doorbell. Keep your house locked when you are at home, and talk through the locked door to ascertain the identity and purpose of the person on the other side. If you are suspicious or if you simply are not interested in the dealing with the person, do not unlock or open the door. Tell the person you are not interested, and call the Village Police Department at 301-654-7300. Village officers will respond right away and investigate.

**Update: Car Recovered from the March 13 Carjacking on E. Melrose Street
Following a car chase, five people arrested in Washington, DC**

Montgomery County Police detectives have informed the Chevy Chase Village Police Department that the 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee that was stolen at gunpoint from a resident on E. Melrose Street on March 13 has been recovered following a dramatic inter-jurisdictional car chase which ended with gunfire.

The stolen car was spotted by officers in Prince Georges County on Saturday, March 15, and the car, occupied by five persons, fled into the District of Columbia where the US Park Police and the Metropolitan Police became involved. The chase ended when the car left the roadway in northeast DC. Shots were fired, and police officers wounded three of the five occupants. No police officers were injured. All five people were arrested.

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Department are working with the other police agencies to identify the person(s) responsible for the carjacking in the Village.