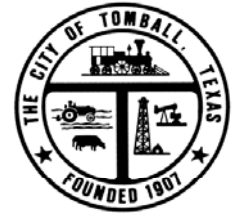




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Three Subjects Arrested for Burglary of a Habitation

A combination of proactive patrol methods and a detailed investigation lands three subjects in the Harris County Jail for Burglary of a Habitation. On January 31, 2006, Ashley Green 17 yoa of The Woodlands, Raymond Weeks, 20 yoa, of Tomball, and James Johnson, 20 yoa of Tomball were taken into custody and charged with Burglary of a Habitation.

During the early morning hours on January 30, 2006, while working night shift patrol, Officer Craig Davis observed a suspicious vehicle parked in the area of Quinn Street @ Inwood. The vehicle was a black extended cab ford pick-up truck with a red four-wheeler loaded in the bed.

As Officer Davis began to investigate the vehicle, he observed two subjects crawl from beneath the truck and flee into a nearby wooded area. After immediately establishing a perimeter around the area and receiving assistance from Harris County K-9, officers were unable to locate the suspects.

While evaluating the scene, Officer Davis located a second four-wheeler parked along the wooded area on Quinn Street. He then noticed the garage door of a nearby residence had been opened. Officer Davis made contact with the owner of the residence, Kevin Sparks, to inquire about the four-wheelers. After checking his garage, Mr. Sparks advised officers that (3) four-wheelers had been taken out of his garage sometime during the night. Mr. Sparks was able to positively identify both four-wheelers located on the scene as belonging to him. Mr. Sparks stated that he was still missing a blue Polaris 300 four-wheeler valued at \$7000.00.

The suspect vehicle, along with all recovered property was taken to Tomball Police Department for analysis and processing.

Tomball Police Department Investigations Division immediately began working the case by contacting the registered owner of the Ford pick-up located on the scene. The owner of the vehicle advised detectives that Ashley Green and Raymond Weeks had been using the vehicle.

During the course of the investigation, detectives spoke with Ashley Green, Raymond Weeks, James Johnson, and a juvenile subject. All subjects admitted to their involvement with the burglary of the residence to acquire the four-wheelers, along with (2) additional cases involving the theft of recreation vehicles executed the same night.

The suspects directed officers to the location in which they were storing Mr. Sparks blue Polaris 300, as well as a 2004 Panterra dirt bike that was taken in another incident. Within 24 hours of the burglaries, all recreation vehicles were returned to their owners and three adults were charged with the crimes.

Additional information received by Tomball Police Department detectives was passed on to the Texas DPS Auto Theft Task Force. Members of the task force quickly acted on the relayed information and was able to recover a generator that had been reported stolen out Magnolia, as well as (3) additional four-wheelers that had been reported stolen out of Liberty County.

Initiated actions from Tomball Police Department, along with the networking among neighbor agencies allowed law enforcement to recover approximately \$40,000 of stolen property, return it to its owners, and place those responsible for the crimes behind bars.