



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

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Arrest - Residential Burglaries

On 30 July 2009, the Lancaster City Police and Penn Township Police arrested Nelson AGOSTINI-VILLA in connection with three residential burglaries in Lancaster City. The arrest of AGOSTINI-VILLA was the result of an on-going investigation into recent burglaries by detectives from the Lancaster City Police Property Crimes Unit.

On 29 July 2009, Detective Donald Morant charged AGOSTINI-VILLA with three counts of Burglary and Theft and obtained an arrest warrant. On 30 July 2009, the Lancaster City Police attempted to locate AGOSTINI-VILLA. The detectives learned that AGOSTINI-VILLA was working in Penn Township and requested assistance from the Penn Township Police Department, who located and arrested AGOSTINI-VILLA without incident. The suspect was turned over to the Lancaster City Police and taken to the Lancaster City Police station.

AGOSTINI-VILLA is charged with burglarizing a residence in the 300 block of Prospect Street on 6 July 2009. During that incident, the suspect stole electronics, money and jewelry. AGOSTINI-VILLA is also charged with burglarizing a residence in the 700 block of W. Vine Street on 7 July 2009. During that incident, the suspect also stole electronic, money, jewelry and other personal items. AGOSTINI-VILLA is also charged with burglarizing a residence in the first block of S. Pearl Street on 9 July 2009. During this incident, officers from the Lancaster City Police were dispatched to the residence for a residential alarm activation. Officer David KAMINSKI arrived at the scene and observed a Hispanic male inside the residence. Officer KAMINSKI observed the suspect attempting to flee through a window and confronted the suspect, who was carrying a knife and several loot items that he was attempting to steal from the residence. The suspect fled the scene on foot and was able to elude police. Officer KAMINSKI was later able to identify AGOSTINI-VILLA as the suspect from that incident. AGOSTINI-VILLA was connected to at least one of the burglaries through physical evidence.

ARREST – Nelson Luis AGOSTINI-VILLA M/19
700 Block of High Street Lancaster, PA

Charged with three counts of Burglary (F-1) and three counts of Theft By Unlawful Taking (M-1) by Detective Donald Morant.



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The investigation is on-going and police are trying to determine if the suspect was involved in any additional burglaries. Anyone with additional information regarding this investigation is asked to contact Detective Morant with the Lancaster City Police at 735-3357.

All persons accused of a crime are innocent until proven guilty in court.

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