



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Arrested in Stabbing & Wanted Subject

Shortly before 1:25 am, Sunday morning, January 3rd Lancaster City Police Officers responded to the Starting Gate Tavern, located at 554 St. Joseph St, for a report of a stabbing. Upon arrival, Officers located the victim, a 23 year old Lancaster Township man, suffering from multiple stab wounds to his upper torso. He was conveyed to a local hospital via ambulance and Officers were able to locate several witnesses, who were conveyed to the police station, where they were interviewed by Detectives.

The investigation, which continued over the next two days, revealed that the victim and a friend of the victim had been involved in an altercation with individual(s) inside the bar, after which, all individuals were ejected from the bar. The two suspects waited outside for the victim to exit, at which point another altercation took place outside the bar. It was during this second altercation that the victim was stabbed multiple times and both of the suspects involved were last seen fleeing the scene, just prior to police arrival. The suspects were identified as....

James Alfred Adams, 21--*ARRESTED*
100 Blk New Dorwart St.
Lancaster, Pa.

Georgie Ortiz, 27--*WANTED*
100 Blk Old Dorwart St.
Lancaster, Pa.
5'9" 190 LBS

As a result of this, Det. Bill Breault charged James Adams with Aggravated Assault(F-1) and Criminal Conspiracy(to commit Aggravated Assault, F-1) and Georgie Ortiz with Criminal Conspiracy(to commit Aggravated Assault, F-1).

These charges were filed by Det. Breault before Magisterial District Judge Cheryl Hartman on January 6th and a Warrant was issued for the arrest of both of these individuals at that time. Subsequent to this, East Earl Twp Police Department Officers Michael Vance and Michael Lutz arrested Adams, without incident, at a residence in 1500 Blk E. Main St, in East Earl, with the assistance of New Holland Police Officers at about 9:30 pm, January 8th. Adams was later conveyed to the Lancaster City Police Station, where he was interviewed by Detective Kurt Miller, then arraigned on these charges before Magisterial District Judge Hartman, at which time bail was set at



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\$200,000.00 and he was committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of bail. The victim in this incident is recovering from his injuries.

The Lancaster City Police are currently looking for Georgie Ortiz, who is wanted on this Outstanding Warrant and anyone with information as to his whereabouts is asked to contact the City Police at 735-3300. Callers do not have to give their names to provide information.

****THE LANCASTER CITY POLICE RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THE MEDIA TO LIMIT WHAT IS PUBLISHED IN THIS CASE TO THAT WHICH IS ON THIS NEWS RELEASE AND SPECIFICALLY TO REFRAIN FROM PUBLISHING THE NAMES OF THE VICTIM AND/OR ANY WITNESSES, SHOULD THEY BECOME KNOWN, SO AS NOT TO ENDANGER ANYONE OR JEOPARDIZE THIS ON GOING INVESTIGATION.****

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