



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

City of Lancaster
Bureau of Police, 39 West Chestnut Street, Lancaster, Pa. 17603
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Date: April 23, 2009

Burglary, Assault arrests

At 2:09 AM Officers from the Lancaster City Bureau of Police responded to 613 N. Plum St. for a report of a burglary in progress. Officers were advised that one person involved in the burglary was still inside the residence. Upon arrival, an individual fled from officers. Officer Jonathan Reppert gave chase and after a brief foot pursuit, caught up to the suspect. At this time, the suspect attempted to strike Off. Reppert with a 21" steel expandable baton. Off. Reppert managed to apprehend this individual and was not injured. Additional officers responding to the residence located an individual hiding inside in a bathroom. This individual was taken into custody without incident. In speaking with the residents of 613 N. Plum St., it was learned that a total of four male suspects broke into the apartment and began assaulting the occupants. Four people were home at the time of the burglary / assault: a 28 year-old female, a 26 year-old male, a 30 year-old male, and a 7 year-old female (the 7 year-old was NOT assaulted). The 28 year-old female victim and the two male victims were all punched several times by the suspects. All three victims sustained minor injuries. The female victim was treated and released at Lancaster General Hospital, the male victims did not require medical treatment. The other two suspects fled prior to police arriving and were not located. There are no suspect descriptions at this time. The victims stated the suspects were wearing masks to conceal their identity.

The two suspects, named below, were arrested and charged by Officer Michael Hagen with the listed offenses. This incident is still under investigation and detectives are actively pursuing leads in order to determine the identity of the other two suspects. The preliminary investigation indicates that this was not a random incident and that the victims may have been targeted.

Arrested / charged were:

1. Jason James CLAPPER W/M/26
Hertzog Dr.
Leola PA

Charged with Burglary, Criminal Conspiracy, Aggravated Assault, and Possessing Instruments of Crime.



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2. Andrew James CORSON W/M/24
Donegal Springs Rd.
Marietta, PA

Charged with Burglary and Criminal Conspiracy

Both suspects were arraigned before MDJ Maynard Hamilton and committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of \$10,000.00 bail.

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