



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

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Date: April 9, 2010

Homicide-Additional Information

At 11:37 a.m. April 7, 2010 Lancaster City Police officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Locust St. for a report of a shooting / shots fired. Lancaster County Wide Communications received multiple calls for this incident. Dispatchers also received information that the victim of the shooting had been transported from the scene in a private vehicle. As officers arrived on Locust St., dispatchers received a call from Lancaster General Hospital that a shooting victim had arrived in the emergency room. Additional officers responded to LGH.

Despite the efforts of LGH emergency room staff, the victim succumbed to his injuries and died shortly after 12:00 p.m. The victim sustained multiple gunshot wounds. The victim of the shooting has been identified as:

Douglas K. Jones Jr. , 26
Manheim Township

Officers and detectives spoke to numerous citizens in the area where the shooting occurred, and are continuing to conduct interviews at this time. Investigators do not believe this was a random act. Police and detectives are continuing to work to identify and locate the suspect in this shooting. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Lancaster City Police at (717) 735-3300 or Detective Kurt Miller at (717) 735-1780.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

At 1137 a.m. Wednesday, April 07, 2010 Douglas Jones Jr. was shot numerous times while he was in the middle of the street, adjacent to the Alternative Rehabilitation Community (ARC) resident treatment building in 100 Block of Locust St. The 100 block of Locust St. is a residential neighborhood in the SE quadrant of the City. At the time of the homicide there were children and others outside in the block. Numerous patrol officers from C Platoon responded to the block, and assisted detectives at the initial scene. Following an intensive investigation, the below listed suspect has been identified as the person responsible for the homicide:

Jose Andrew RAMOS Jr. H/M/22 (Photo Available at Police Station)
5'5" 185 lbs.

Black hair, brown eyes



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Tattoos on back (top) of both hands, \"Ruth\" on his left hand, and \"Kathy\" on the right hand.

AKA: \"Neff\" \"Neffy\"

Investigators determined that RAMOS and the victim JONES were known to each other, and that the shooting was preceded by a brief conversation, an argument and then physical altercation between the two men. During the altercation, RAMOS shot JONES multiple times in his body. RAMOS then ran away. Bystanders assisted in putting JONES into a private vehicle and he was driven to LGH, where he died from the gunshot wounds.

Portions of this incident were captured on Lancaster Community Safety Coalition surveillance cameras. The video was critical in assisting detectives focusing toward what occurred, and who may have been present at the time of the shooting.

Investigators have received limited cooperation from area residents as well as staff members from ARC. However, investigators appreciate those who have provided information and will continue to push others to come forward with what they observed.

Police urge media to refrain from publishing the name and addresses of witnesses including those who may provide this information during media canvass. Residents who have come forward have expressed concern over having their names published for telling what they witnessed. This occurred in the print media on April 8th.

At 9:39 a.m. April 8, 2010 a handgun was found in the 200 block of Howard Ave. This weapon was collected and will be examined by the Pennsylvania State Police lab for forensic analysis.

Detective Kurt Miller obtained a warrant for RAMOS, charging him with Criminal Homicide, Persons not to Possess Firearms, and Firearms not to be Carried Without a License. RAMOS is considered armed and dangerous. The entire Detective Division worked on this homicide and was assisted by officers who work in the southeast neighborhood. The Lancaster County District Attorneys Office, ADA Kelly Sekula and ADA Ed Pfursich also assisted investigators. Lancaster Police are being assisted by the US Marshall's Office and other law enforcement in locating RAMOS. CrimeStoppers will also reward an individual providing information leading to RAMOS' arrest. Anyone with information concerning his whereabouts should contact the Lancaster City Police at (717) 735-3300 or Detective Miller, (717) 735-1780. If RAMOS is seen, call 911 immediately. All persons charged with a crime are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



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