



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Stolen Gun, Drug Arrests

11:41 PM Wednesday, January 6th 2010 Lancaster City Police Officers responded to a report of a fight / disturbance in the hallway of an apartment building at 718 E. King St. This fight eventually spilled onto the sidewalk and street in front of the address. As officers were responding to this call, members of the Lancaster Community Safety Coalition began monitoring cameras in this area. As officers arrived at the scene, Lancaster Safety Coalition personnel advised that they had observed a female subject involved in the disturbance throw a gun under a parked car.

Several persons began leaving the scene on foot and in a vehicle. This vehicle struck a marked police car, causing minor damage to both vehicles. No one was injured in the crash. All individuals, including those in the vehicle, were stopped by responding officers. With the assistance of the Lancaster Community Safety Coalition, the female who threw the gun was identified, and the firearm, a .380 caliber semi-automatic pistol, was located. It was determined that this firearm had been reported stolen to the Toccoa, Georgia Police Department in 1997.

The female who was seen throwing the gun under the car was arrested. When she was searched following the arrest, she was found to be in possession of one small bag of marijuana and one small bag of cocaine. This female was identified as:

Denisha Antoinette DIXON 19 yrs. old
547 Juniata St., Lancaster

Dixon was charged with Receiving Stolen Property, Tampering with Physical Evidence, Possession of Cocaine, and Possession of a Small Amount of Marijuana by Off. Matthew Caple before MDJ Kelly Ballentine. She was committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of \$10,000.00 bail.

Officers observed a male subject involved in this disturbance drop a clear plastic sandwich baggie onto the ground. This individual was detained and it was discovered that the bag he discarded contained (24) small pink plastic baggies containing suspected crack cocaine, total weight of 3.1 grams. The male subject was arrested and searched and was found to have (24) empty, unused small pink baggies in his possession. This individual was identified as:

Malik E. DELEON 23 yrs. old
1205 E. Orange St., Lancaster



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DELEON was charged with Possession with Intent to Deliver "Crack" Cocaine by Off. Thomas Cole before MDJ Ballentine. He was committed to Lancaster County Prison in lieu of \$250,000.00

The investigation into the incident continues, and additional prosecutions may be forthcoming. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Lancaster City Police at (717) 735-3300. Callers may remain anonymous.

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

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