



TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE

SUBJECT: Juvenile Identified in Christmas Decoration Thefts

DATE/TIME: 12/13/2015 @ 02:30 am

LOCATION: Timber Drive & Pinewood Ave, Ocean New Jersey

OFFICERS INVOLVED: Detective Jesse Orbach

ACCUSED: Three Juvenile Males ages 17, 1 from Long Branch and two from Brooklyn, NY

NARRATIVE: On December 13th, 2015 individuals were observed on a surveillance system stealing Christmas decorations from a Timber Drive residence. Officer Tom Rant responded to the location where he spoke with the victim and was able review the surveillance footage.

A subsequent investigation on December 15th, 2015 by Detective Jesse Orbach led to the identification of three youths. During the investigation Orbach was able to recover the stolen decorations and return them to the victim's on Timber Drive and Pinewood Ave. Charges for all three juveniles will be forwarded to the Monmouth County Family Division Court in Freehold for disposition.

Here are a few tips that may help you avoid becoming a holiday decoration theft victim:

- Use locking cords on decorations that plug into electrical outlets.
- Connect zip ties to power cables to further fasten them to nearby fences, trees and other barriers.

- Position the most expensive decorations close to your home, near windows or up on your roof.
 - Use motion controlled lighting and security cameras.
- For additional tips please see our social media outlets where we have posted the full article.

NO PHOTOS OF ACCUSED ARE AVAILABLE

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