

Three burglary suspects caught leaving the scene with stolen presents - 12/18/2013

SEMINOLE CO. (Dec. 18, 2013)-Seminole County Sheriff's deputies arrested three suspects yesterday for burglarizing a home in the Druid Estates subdivision in Maitland, Seminole County. At approximately 11:00 a.m. an SCSO investigator was conducting proactive patrols in the area when he witnessed the suspects loading several large bags of goods into a gold Ford Explorer parked in the driveway of a home on Westchester Drive.

The investigator initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle after he witnessed the driver run several stop signs. The driver refused to pull over and fled at a high rate of speed. Another SCSO unit in the area deployed stop sticks near Druid Road and Oranole Road. The suspect swerved in an attempted to avoid the stop sticks and crashed into a brick wall.

The driver, David Smith, 25, of Sanford, was entrapped in the vehicle and extricated by the Seminole County Fire Department. He was transported to the Orlando Regional Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries.

The two remaining suspects bailed from the vehicle, hopped over the brick wall and continued to flee on foot. They attempted to hide in a tree, but were tracked down by the Orange County Sheriff's Office K-9 unit. Quinton Chambers, 24, and Shamoule Bridges, 21, both of Apopka, were subsequently taken into custody without further incident.

Deputies recovered the victim's belonging including cash, jewelry and Christmas presents intended for her children. Deputies also found a stolen handgun, burglary tools and drugs in the vehicle.

Chambers and Bridges were booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility on multiple charges of burglary, grand theft, and drug possession. Smith faces additional charges of driving with a suspended driver's license and fleeing and eluding. He remains hospitalized at this time.

The Alert helicopter video of the incident has been uploaded to the SCSO media ftp site. To access the site go to <http://www.seminolesheriff.org/administration/Login.aspx>

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