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NEWS RELEASE

SCSO arrests man for committing occupied residential burglaries

Seminole Co. Fla., (02/17/15) – The Seminole County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) arrested a suspect over the weekend for committing two occupied residential burglaries inside Northgate Lakes Apartments, in unincorporated Oviedo.

Just after 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 14, deputies responded to a call regarding a suspicious incident at the apartment complex. The caller advised that she heard someone trying to open the door to an apartment she was staying in; however, the door was locked and suspect was unable to enter the apartment. She then reported she believed the suspect may have entered the unit next door. Responding deputies quickly arrived on scene and found that the unit next door had been burglarized while residents slept inside. The suspect entered through an unlocked door and stole a guitar, wallet, and computer. Additional deputies responding to the apartment complex noticed a suspicious vehicle with its headlights off attempting to leave the complex. Deputies made contact with the driver, later identified as Christopher Woods, who claimed to be a resident of the complex but could not offer any identification. Deputies subsequently searched the vehicle and discovered several stolen items belonging to the Northgate residents. Additional stolen items were also located stashed in a stairwell in the apartment complex.

Christopher Bryan Woods, 27, of Orlando, was arrested on two counts of burglary to an occupied dwelling and two counts of grand theft. He was booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility.

Investigators subsequently discovered that Christopher Woods was also responsible for a burglary that occurred at the apartment complex on February 11, and additionally charged him with burglary to an occupied dwelling and petit theft. In this case, the victim's credit cards were used at several locations throughout the area and investigators were able to identify Woods through surveillance video. He currently remains in custody on a \$46,250 bond.

The investigation remains ongoing as investigators look into the possibility of Woods being involved in other burglaries.

The SCSO would like to remind you of the following safety tips so you can avoid becoming a victim of a burglary to your apartment:

- Lock your doors, windows and sliding glass doors even when you are home, and regardless of what floor you live on.
- Safeguard valuables inside your home. Keep their value and location confidential. Use a safe deposit box when possible.
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Call 911 immediately to report suspicious activity, persons, or vehicles.

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