

ADAMS COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP

Press Release

On Sunday morning, April 29, 2018, Sheriff Patten received a call from the Wilkinson County Sheriff's Office asking for assistance from the Adams County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team. Deputies had received information that identified suspects from the Burglary of the Pawn Shop in Ridgecrest, LA and the Burglary of Sports Center, were at 42 Pine Tree Lane in Wilkinson County.

As the Adams County Sheriff's Office SRT Team, Natchez Police Department SRT Team, and Concordia Sheriff's Office SRT Team were formulating a plan while the search warrant was being signed, one of the suspects, Shawn Veon Holiday, left the residence and was apprehended on Highway 61 South. Holliday was found in possession of two handguns that were stolen from Sports Center just hours earlier. Deputies then executed the search warrant at 42 Pine Tree Lane. No additional evidence was recovered from that location.

Deputies then went to 2505 Doloroso Loop and apprehended Kelandrick Lushaw. At Lushaw's residence, the vehicle that was used in the burglaries was parked on the side of the house with a gun tag from Sports Center lying on the ground next to the vehicle. Inside the residence, deputies were able to recover another pistol that was stolen from Sports Center and additional information about the other subjects involved in the burglaries.

While deputies were waiting on a tow truck to come and tow the vehicle back to Natchez Police Department, Natchez Police Officers received a tip about two males walking down the



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road that were involved in the burglaries. When Sgt. Fleming attempted to make contacts with both subjects they fled on foot and threw a pistol on the ground that officers were able to recover and confirm it had been stolen from Sports Center. A perimeter was set up and deputies from the Adams County Sheriff's Office assisted in setting perimeter and after an exhausted search one juvenile was located hiding under a house on St Catherine Street.

Officers from Natchez Police Department and Adams County Sheriff's Office then went to two locations that were known hang outs of the juvenile that was still not in custody. While this was taking place in Adams County, Wilkinson County Deputies and an Adams County Deputy were able to locate 4 guns at 17257 Highway 61 South in Wilkinson County. Two of the guns were stolen from Sports Center and two were stolen from Ridgecrest Burglary.

Later in the afternoon, Natchez Police Department was able to take Keon Washington into custody in relation to the Burglaries. A total of 8 weapons were recovered but there are still many more that officers are still trying to locate. Officers are also trying to locate one additional juvenile that was involved in the Sports Center Burglary.

Sheriff Patten said that he was extremely proud of the way officers were able to work together and apprehend the suspects and recover what property was able to be recovered, so far. It took every officer involved and every agency sharing information in order for these suspects to be apprehended. There were a lot of moving parts and great communication. We are just glad that we could be of assistance to the other agencies as we continue to service or community and neighboring communities.