

Gastonia Police Department

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Armed Robbery of Dairy Queen

At approximately 9:30 pm on August 8, 2010, the Dairy Queen located at 3128 Union Rd. was robbed by three male subjects wearing mask. At least one of the males was armed with a handgun. A patron of the restaurant was also robbed while suspects were robbing the restaurant. Witnesses observed the suspects flee the store and were able to give a description of the suspect vehicle. A Gaston County officer observed a white Pontiac on Kendrick Rd. matching the suspect vehicle description. The officer attempted to stop the vehicle at Kendrick and Gaston Day School Rd. As the officer attempted to stop the vehicle the suspects fired shots at a vehicle in front of them striking the vehicle which was occupied. Officers then pursued the suspect vehicle through Gastonia and the suspects fled on I-85 N toward Charlotte. The pursuit led to Charlotte where the suspects jumped and ran from the vehicle. Officers from the Gastonia Police Department, NC Highway Patrol, and Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department chased the suspects on foot. A short time later two suspects were taken into custody at 309 S. Cloudman St. Charlotte. During the pursuit items were thrown out of the vehicle at several locations in Gastonia and Charlotte. Some of the items stolen were recovered at the residence.

Aaron Duncan Hall, B/M, DOB 1/11/1992, of 309 S. Cloudman St. Charlotte and Pervis Deandre Lewis, B/M, DOB 12/27/1992, of 9808 Furlong Trail, Charlotte were taken into custody. Charges at this time include 2 Counts of Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Kidnapping, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Fail to Yield to lights and Siren, Speed to Elude Arrest, and numerous traffic charges.

A third suspect has been identified and warrants have been obtained for:

Eli Javier Hernandez, W/M, DOB 7/16/1992, of 1111 Opal St. Charlotte, NC

Charges include 2 Counts of Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, Kidnapping, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, and Attempted Murder.

Mr. Hall and Mr. Hernandez have ties to Gastonia and are known to frequent Gastonia.

Anyone having information in reference to the Robbery or the whereabouts of Mr. Hernandez should contact Gastonia Police at 704-866-6702 or 704-866-6880.