



# NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

June 5, 2009

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**SUBJECT: Washington House Burglars Identified, 2 Arrested**

With information developed from tips from the public, the three people responsible for the May 31<sup>st</sup> burglary at the Washington House condominiums on East Main Street have been identified.

They are:

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH/AGE	ADDRESS
John A. Rice	July 10, 1988 (20)	151 Autumn Horseshoe, Newark, DE
Duane C. Speck	October 14, 1984 (24)	897 E. Old Philadelphia Rd, Elkton, MD
Undisclosed female	16 years of age	E. Old Philadelphia Rd, Elkton, MD

Rice surrendered to the Newark Police on June 4. He was charged with two counts Burglary 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree, one count Conspiracy 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree, two counts Theft, and two counts Criminal Mischief. He was released on \$19,000 unsecured bond, and was ordered to have no contact with Main Street.

The juvenile female surrendered to the Newark Police on June 5. She was charged with the same offenses. She was released to her grandparent on \$16, 500 unsecured bond, and was ordered to have no contact with Main Street or her co-defendants.

Duane Speck is still at large. He faces the same charges as his co-defendants. His whereabouts are not known, but he is believed to be in the Elkton area. No current photo of Speck is available.



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The majority of the stolen property has been recovered by the investigating officer.

Information about Speck's location, or other information about this incident, can be reported to Det. Greg D'Elia at 302-366-7110 ext 132 or [greg.delia@cj.state.de.us](mailto:greg.delia@cj.state.de.us). Information can be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available. Text 302NPD and your tip to TIP411.

### ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE FOLLOWS

June 1, 2009

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**SUBJECT: Washington House Condominiums Burglarized and Vandalized**

On 05/31/2009 the Newark Police Department responded to the Washington House Condominiums (former Stone Balloon) for a report of a Burglary, Theft and Vandalism, which occurred at approximately 0200 hours. Upon police arrival, it was discovered that two males and one female forced open a security door and gained access to several areas of the building. The building is currently occupied by residents and some units are still under construction.

While in the building, the three suspects damaged the interior of two condos that were under construction, and threw items off the fourth floor balconies. They then broke into a storage area, where personal items were removed. They also damaged other areas throughout the building by breaking fire control apparatuses, emptying fire extinguishers, damaging light fixtures and removing signs from walls and doors. The total amount of damage is estimated to be approximately \$640 and the total amount of stolen property is estimated to be approximately \$940

*The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.*

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# **PRESS RELEASE**

All three suspects can be seen on the buildings video surveillance system. The Newark Police are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the three suspects who all appear to be in their late teens or early twenties. The female suspect can be seen wearing a "Reybold Construction" sweatshirt.

### **PHOTOGRAPHS ATTACHED**

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Detective Greg D'Elia at 302-366-7110 ext. 132 or [Gregory.Delia@cj.state.de.us](mailto:Gregory.Delia@cj.state.de.us). You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.





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