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Press Release

Subject: Theft 2nd Degree

Date: 03/11/2009

From: Sgt David Campbell

Case #: 090308-010

Summary:

On 03/08/2009, at approximately 5:37 pm, the Juneau Police Department received a report that a male subject had stolen a cash box from girl scouts, who were selling cookies at Fred Meyer. The investigation revealed that two 10 year old girl scouts were selling cookies in the grocery entrance of the store. A man wearing a hooded sweat shirt, ski goggles, and possibly a mask, took the box containing the girl scouts' money and ran from the store. The box was reported to have contained approximately \$600 in cash and \$200 in checks. The male was described as approximately 5'9'' tall with a medium build.

A witness saw the male run to the back of the building. The male jumped into the passenger seat of a moving vehicle and the vehicle drove away on the Glacier Highway. The witness provided officers with the license plate of the vehicle, but the vehicle had recently been sold and new owner information was not available.

On 03/09/2009, the vehicle was found in the Sprucewood Trailer Park on Stephen Richards Memorial Drive. The vehicle was seized as evidence. Officers were later able to determine the identity of the vehicle's current owner.

On 03/10/2009, the vehicle was searched pursuant to a search warrant. Items from the theft were located in the vehicle.

On 03/11/2009, the vehicle owner's residence was searched pursuant to a search warrant. The residence was located in the Sprucewood Trailer Park. The vehicle owner's 17 year old son was arrested for Tampering with Evidence, a Class C felony. The juvenile male was transported to and lodged at the Johnson Youth Center and held on no bail.

The investigation continues and anyone with additional information concerning this incident are encouraged to contact the Juneau Police Department, or Crime Line at (907) 586-4243.

Any charges reported in this press release are merely accusations and the defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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