



Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office

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Crime stoppers tip and Crime Lab test leads to burglary arrest

According to Lt. Col. Bobby Webre of the Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office, a tip from Crime Stoppers and the Louisiana State Police Crime Lab assisted detectives in the arrest of 23-year-old David Holcombe Jr. on March 1, for a burglary in Gonzales.

On Monday, October 19, 2015, deputies responded to a residence on Bayou Narcisse Road near Highway 431 where a lone suspect broke into the homeowner's garage and three vehicles overnight while the family was asleep. Home surveillance video showed the suspect committing the burglary, then leaving the home and returning again on the same night only to commit a second burglary. A bicycle tool kit, a set of computer speakers, and approximately \$300 in quarters were stolen.

As a result of the surveillance video being aired on Crime Stoppers in October 2015 a tip was received that the person in the video was possibly David Holcombe, Jr. During the investigation, it was also learned that Holcombe was serving five-year's probation on a previous burglary charge, added Lt. Col. Webre.

He was picked up and questioned by detectives but denied the allegations. He was not charged at that specific time. However, as the investigation continued DNA evidence that had been collected from the crime scene was submitted to the LSP Crime Lab for analysis. The DNA evidence identified Holcombe as the suspect.

Based on the crime stoppers tip and the DNA match Holcombe, 23, of 12386 Cleo Road, Gonzales, was arrested and charged with two counts simple burglary, two counts simple burglary of an inhabited dwelling, criminal trespass, theft, and probation violation.

He was booked into the Ascension Parish Jail where no bond was set.