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Home Invasion Robbery UPDATE - Arrest

On September 10 at 10:26 a.m. officers responded to the unit block of Chester Avenue for a report of a home invasion robbery. Officers discovered the adult female resident inside the home with her hands bound together.

The victim reported that a man entered the home and pointed an object wrapped cloth at her. She believed this was a handgun. He demanded money and took money, an iPad, and jewelry. The suspect then bound the victim's hands together and left the home.

The victim suffered bruises to her wrists, but was otherwise unharmed.

The suspect is described as an African American male with a dark complexion in his 30s, tall with a thin build, sparse beard, last seen wearing a baseball hat, white t-shirt, tight fitting black pants or jeans, and black tennis shoes with a wave pattern.

The investigation into this incident is ongoing. If you have any information about this incident please contact Detective Joshua Liebross at 410-260-3439 or jdliebross@annapolis.gov. If people with information wish to remain anonymous, they can also contact the Annapolis Police Tip Line at 410-280-CLUE or Metro Crime Stoppers at 1-866-7LOCKUP.

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After an initial period of investigation detectives are releasing more details about the armed robbery that occurred in the unit block of Chester Avenue in the hopes of finding witnesses that may have seen something around the time of the crime.

The adult female victim reported that when she exited her home in the morning hours of Saturday, September 10, she discovered a black Trek bicycle with silver, red, and grey markings outside her home. She moved the bicycle to her unlocked screened porch and then left in her vehicle.

The victim returned to her home at approximately 7 a.m. At approximately 9:45 a.m. she was confronted by the above described suspect. She is unsure if he had just entered the home or if he had been inside for some time. She is unsure if her home was secure while she was away and after she returned. There were no signs of forced entry to the home.

The bicycle found by the victim and placed in her porch was taken by the suspect and it is likely that he had been in possession of the bicycle before the victim initially found it. Officers found the bicycle the evening of September 10.

Two unlocked vehicles were entered in the unit block of Horn Point Court overnight from Friday, September 9, into Saturday, September 10 and it is likely that the same suspect is responsible for these crimes. These crimes were not reported until September 12.

Detectives would like to hear from residents in the area with surveillance cameras that may have captured activity the night of September 9 and the morning of September 10. Please call our detectives at 410-260-3439 if your home has external surveillance cameras.

Also, there may be other residents whose vehicle's were entered, but have not reported it. Please report crimes to us immediately at 410-268-4141 or 9-1-1 in an emergency. If you notice suspicious activity or something unusual you can reach us the same way, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You are our eyes and ears in the community and we rely on you to let us know when something doesn't look right.

For information about burglary prevention and other crime prevention tips visit www.annapolis.gov/police and click on Crime Prevention & Information.

UPDATE

On October 5th Michael Mitchell, 37, of Annapolis was arrested for the armed robbery that occurred on September 10 in the unit block of Chester Avenue.

Mitchell was arrested in North Carolina by the United States Marshal Service. Annapolis Police Department detectives received information that Mitchell fled Annapolis to North Carolina. That information was forwarded to the U.S. Marshal Service.

"This arrest was the result of great work by the Annapolis Police Department and a credit to our ongoing partnership with the U.S. Marshal Service," said Chief Pristoop. "The community is safer because of it."

"This is another example of how thorough police work resulted in getting a violent offender off the streets," Mayor Pantelides said. "This recent arrest shows the ongoing commitment of our police department to ensure the safety of our residents."

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