



PRESS RELEASE

Sheriff's Deputies Capture Prolific Burglar

June 13, 2014—Washington County Deputies arrested a man who is believed to have burglarized several homes in a neighborhood. The man was captured after a search of the area.



In six days, between June 6th and shortly after midnight on June 12th, 2014, Sheriff's Deputies responded to six similar residential burglaries in the southern part of the community of Aloha. The burglaries were usually during the daytime and had forced front doors with the house ransacked. The burglar had been seen on more than one occasion by the victims. It was believed that the burglar was traveling by bicycle.

Sheriff's Property Crime Detectives were assisting with the investigations and promptly disseminated a physical description and other information about the burglar to local law enforcement. Deputies were searching for the person that matched the description.

On June 13, 2014, at about 12:09 p.m., Sheriff's Deputies were called to a residence in the 5800 block of SW 209th Avenue concerning a burglary. The homeowners came home and found their front door had been forced open. They saw the house had been ransacked and some belongings were missing. As a deputy was in route to the residence, additional deputies searched the area for the person responsible.

As deputies were investigating the burglary on SW 209th, another deputy saw a person matching the description given north of the current burglary. The man was riding a bicycle from SW McInnis Lane onto SW 209th Avenue. The deputy contacted Joseph Dwight Daniel, 41, from Minnesota. Deputies found property that was believed to be stolen in Mr. Daniel's possession. The deputy was concerned there may be additional burglary victims in the area that Mr. Daniel came from.

A few minutes later, another Sheriff's Deputy located a residence in the 21000 block of SW McInnis Lane that had the front door kicked in and the interior was ransacked. The deputy was able to locate a homeowner and connect property stolen from the house to Mr. Daniel. Deputies detained Mr. Daniel as they completed their investigation.

Deputies believe Mr. Daniel arrived to the area from Minnesota about the time the string of burglaries began. Joseph Daniel is suspected of committing these eight burglaries and possibly more that have not been discovered or reported. Additional property was found that detectives believe belong to the victims of the previous burglaries.

Joseph Daniel was lodged in the Washington County Jail. He was charged with First Degree Burglary, First Degree Theft, and First Degree Criminal Mischief. He is held on \$50,000 bail.