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STRONG ARM ROBBERY

*****Surveillance Footage Available for Media Pick-up From FLPD Lobby*****
*****Suspect still photos on page 2*****

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a strong-arm robbery that occurred at approximately 1:30 A.M., on November 4th, 2011, in the City of Fort Lauderdale. The robbery occurred in the parking lot of the Villas of Lakeview residential complex located at 5200 Northwest 31 Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Investigators have learned that the President of the Villas of Lakeview Home Owners Association, Arthur Burns, attempted to quiet down a noise disturbance at one of the units of the residential complex during the early morning hours of November 4th, 2011. As Burns was making contact with the parties involved in the noise disturbance, a suspect snuck up behind him and sucker punched him in the left side of his jaw. Burns was immediately knocked unconscious and dropped to the ground.

While on the ground, the suspect began rummaging through Burns' pockets. As Burns attempted to get up, the suspect viciously punched Burns twice in the face. The suspect then brutally stomped on Burns' head twice.

The suspect was able to steal an Iphone from Burns' possession as the suspect's apparent associate, who was last seen wearing a striped collared shirt, stood by. Burns sustained injuries from the incident, but refused emergency transportation to the hospital.

Detectives were able to retrieve surveillance footage from the area, which captured the incident on film. The suspect has been described as a black male, approximately 5' 8" in height, 175 pounds in weight, with dread locks braided into multiple pony tails. The suspect was last seen wearing a black t-shirt and blue jean pants.

Detectives are urging anyone with information regarding the identity of the suspect involved in the strong-arm robbery, or his associate, to contact Detective Tracy Figone at 954-828-5518 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



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