

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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## BURGLARS SWEEP THROUGH BROWARD

\*\*\*Surveillance Footage Available\*\*\*

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a business burglary that occurred during the late evening hours of Sunday, September 16, 2012. The burglary took place at the Rolly Marine Service, Inc. located at 2551 State Road 84 in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

A nearby business owner, Butch Risker of Universal Marine Center, located at 2700 Southwest 25<sup>th</sup> Terrace in the City of Fort Lauderdale, informed Fort Lauderdale Police Officers that he observed two unknown W/M suspects enter his fenced business on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at approximately 11:30 P.M. Surveillance footage recorded the burglars occupying Risker's golf cart and driving over to Rolly Marine Service. The burglars took two yellow shore power cords from the docks at the business and then used the golf cart to transport their stolen loot away from the property.

It has since been determined that these suspects are responsible for similar marine related burglaries throughout Broward County. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Property Crimes Detectives were contacted by Davie Police Department when they arrested a W/M, who was wanted for an unrelated burglary. This suspect was identified as William Steers, W/M, 02/12/81, a Fort Lauderdale resident. Further investigation revealed that Steers was involved in a small burglary ring, victimizing maritime residents throughout the county. Two other suspects who joined Steers on his criminal voyage were Jonathan S. Bambino, W/M, 11/06/77, a Plantation resident and Jonathan Sulzer, W/M, 01/30/90, a Tamarac resident.

At this time, Fort Lauderdale Detectives have charged Bambino with Dealing in Stolen Property. Charges against the other named suspects are pending at this time.

Detectives believe this ring of burglars is responsible for approximately ten other similar burglaries throughout our City. Detectives are actively working these open cases with the assistance from detectives at Davie Police Department, Lighthouse Point Police Department, and the Broward Sheriff's Office Pompano and Deerfield districts.

Detectives are urging anyone with further information regarding these incidents and suspects to contact Detective Todd Hill at 954-828-5567.

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