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SEARCH & SEIZURE WARRANT CLEARS THREE OC COMMERCIAL BURGLARIES

On October 1, 2009, Ocean City Police Officer 1st Class Michael Richardson responded to the "Plim Plaza Pool Bar" (109 Atlantic Avenue), in reference to a reported Burglary.

While PFC Richardson was conducting his on-scene investigation, a surveillance video was obtained displaying an individual who was later identified as the burglary suspect. During the week of October 10th, OCPD Detectives assisted PFC Richardson in locating the suspect and subsequently obtaining and serving a Search and Seizure Warrant at the suspect's residence in Ocean City. During the search of the suspects house evidence and stolen property was recovered which linked the suspect to three total burglaries. Also located at the suspect's residence, were 13 stolen registration plates from various states and Canada. It was determined the license plates were stolen from Assateague Island seashore in August 2005. This information has been forwarded to the Assateague Island authorities.

Several other stolen items were recovered from the suspect's residence, which link the suspect to two commercial burglaries at the Plim Plaza Pool bar and one commercial burglary at Jolly Roger Amusement Park. There has been approximately \$2000 in stolen items recovered and three open commercial burglaries have been closed. Investigation is continuing to identify additional suspects, additional charges are pending.

The suspect identified as Roger Vincent Weldon, 20-years-old, of Berlin Maryland has been charged with:

- 1 count - 2nd Degree Burglary (Felony)
- 2 counts – 4th Degree Burglary (misdemeanor)

Weldon was seen by an Ocean City District Court Commissioner and was released after posting a \$25,000 bond.

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