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**DATE: 11/04/2011**

**NATURE OF INCIDENT: Burglary Arrests**

**CASE NO.: 11195067**

**INCIDENT DATE :10/30/2011**

**INCIDENT TIME: 3:25 PM**

**INCIDENT LOCATION: 200 block of North 34th Avenue West**

**SUBJECT: Two Duluth Males Arrested for Burglary**

**BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen**

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Sunday, October 30, 2011, at 3:25PM Duluth Police Officers responded to a residential burglary in the 200 block of North 34th Avenue West. The resident reported that he had just arrived home after being out of town for a few days and observed that his front door had been forced open and there had been an attempt to force open the rear door of the residence. Numerous items were taken including electronics, tools, and a safe containing personal documents and a social security card.

On Monday, October 31, 2011, Duluth Police Investigators received information that Steven MacDonald, a 26 year old male resident of Duluth, and Paul Herdenberg, a 35 year old male resident of Duluth, were involved in the burglary and a search warrant was obtained. The search warrant resulted in the recovery of a majority of the items identified by the victim as being removed from his residence. MacDonald and Herdenberg admitted their involvement.

Both are currently being held at the Saint Louis County Jail pending formal charges. Steven MacDonald is being held for 2nd Degree Burglary, Possession of Stolen Property and 5 counts of Felony Violation of Probation. Paul Herdenberg is being held for 2nd Degree Burglary.

During this investigation Duluth Police also located stolen mail from 21 different mail recipients from several residents in Hermantown, Proctor and Duluth. The Duluth Police Department, working in junction with Hermantown Police Department and the US Postal Inspectors Office, are investigating the mail thefts which were predominately from the Hermantown Area. These victims were notified of the recovery of their stolen mail and the steps to take to prevent or identify if they are victims of identity theft.

Police want to remind residents that victims of mail theft are not always aware they have been victimized until they find out they are a victim of identity theft or when a bill or gift is not received. If you find piles of mail on the side of the roadway or other unusual places, please contact local law enforcement as this may be the first sign that mail theft is going on in your neighborhood.



Paul Herdenberg



Steven MacDonald