



Cortland Police Department



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On November 16th 2011 the Cortland Police Department responded to the Cortland Junior Senior High School located on Valley View Drive regarding a burglary investigation. Sometime during the night of November 15th 2011 unknown suspect(s) entered a fence in area located on the east side of the high school, which contained several construction storage units, along with a construction vehicle. The suspect(s) cut the locks from the fence gate and cut the locks on the doors leading to five different storage units. Once inside the storage units the suspect(s) stole in excess of \$70,000 worth of tools, copper, brass and plumbing fixtures. During the investigation information was developed the suspect(s) sold in excess of nine hundred pounds of copper and brass to a local recycling center. A search warrant was obtained for a residence located at 1 Kingsley Drive in the Town of Cortlandville and at approximately 7:30 PM the search warrant was executed. During the search a majority of the stolen property was recovered and the following individuals were charged in connection with the burglary;

1) Thomas J. G. Brady, 18 1 Kingsley, Cortland, NY

A) Grand Larceny in the Second Degree Felony

B) Burglary in the Third Degree Felony



2) John T. Dipietro III, 31, 32 Woodruff Street, Apt#1, Cortland

A) Grand Larceny in the Second Degree Felony

B) Burglary in the Third degree Felony



3) Todd M. Brady 22 1 Kingsley Avenue, Cortland

A) Grand Larceny in the Second degree Felony

B) Burglary in the third degree Felony



The suspects were arraigned and sent to the Cortland County Jail and are to appear in Cortland City Court on November 18th 2011. Bail for Todd Brady was set at 10,00 cash /20,000 bond, bail for Thomas J. G. Brady was sent at \$1,000 cash/\$5,000 bond and bail for John Dipietro was sent at \$5,000 cash and \$10,00 bond.

The investigation is on going and additional arrests are anticipated.

Numerous tools were confiscated that may be related to other burglaries. Anyone with information regarding this investigation or possible related thefts should contact the Cortland Police Department at 753-3001.